

MINUTES OF THE
SENATE RULES COMMITTEE

March 7, 1987

Chairman Van Valkenburg called the meeting to order at 11:15 a.m. in Room 331, State Capitol. All members were present. Also present were Senators Kolstad and Neuman.

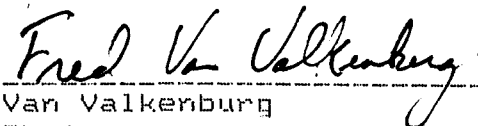
Sen. Van Valkenburg asked Sen. Blaylock to explain the purpose of the meeting. Sen. Blaylock said the Rules Committee needed to decide whether or not it was appropriate for Senator Kolstad to have two aides working for him. They would be working one week apiece, not concurrently. Rule 3-11 states "No member may designate more than one aide without the approval of the rules committee of the house involved."

Senator Aklestad stated that as long as the aides would work separate weeks, then Sen. Kolstad should qualify under the existing rule. Sen. Blaylock agreed that there should be no problem. Sen. McCallum said it shouldn't create a problem unless someone wants four or five aides in one week.

Senator Neuman was asked to explain the system he uses. He said that he shares an intern with three other senators. Sen. Neuman also personally tries to bring kids from his area to help him. He said he tries not to abuse the system and tries to keep the aides out of the way as much as possible.

Sen. Hims1 asked who pays for them? Sen. Van Valkenburg answered that the University System pays for the interns; the aides are paid for by the individual at no expense to the state. Sen. Van Valkenburg also said that as long as it doesn't affect anybody adversely, there is no problem. There was general consensus among the members of the committee that there was no problem.

There being no further business before the committee, the Rules Committee was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.



Van Valkenburg
Chairman

