

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
STATE ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE
MONTANA STATE SENATE

April 17, 1987

The forty-seventh meeting of the State Administration Committee was called to order by Chairman Jack Haffey on April 17, 1987 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 331 of the State Capitol.

ROLL CALL: All committee members were present except for Senator Lynch who was excused.

The hearing was opened on House Joint Resolution 52.

CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 52: Representative Bruce Simon, House District 91, Billings, was sponsor for the resolution entitled, "A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA CONCERNING THE PRINTING OF DOCUMENTS BY AND FOR STATE GOVERNMENT; ESTABLISHING A PRINTING ADVISORY COUNCIL; REQUESTING AN INTERIM STUDY OF STATE PRINTING AND DUPLICATING PROCEDURES; AND REQUIRING A REPORT OF THE FINDINGS OF THE STUDY TO THE 51st LEGISLATURE." He noted there had been a bill in earlier in the session regarding printing in the state which was now tabled. He said the issues were very complex because you need to put as much into the private sector as possible and at the same time there is a mandate to do printing as inexpensively as possible which is sometimes more feasible with in-house printing. He noted since 1968 there have been ten different studies regarding printing. He felt an interim study could possibly address some of the concerns and noted one main issue was the definition of printing in statute currently which does not take into consideration the latest technology that is available now in printing. He felt establishing an advisory council would be beneficial to help write specifications which would allow the state to do their business and at the same time allow for maximum input from the local printers.

PROPOSERS: Ken Dunham, representing the Associated Printers, spoke in favor of the resolution and stated he felt establishment of an advisory council would be a first step towards resolving the issues of printers in the state.

Ellen Feaver, Director of the Department of Administration, supported the study as she felt it was a legitimate area of concern regarding policy issues and its ramifications.

Tom Schneider, from the Montana Public Employee's Association, supported the resolution because he felt it was preferable to a bill that would have done a great deal of harm to the taxpayers of the state. He felt wording should be changed on line 12, page 2; line 15, page 2 and line 5, page 3 as it was language he did not feel should be incorporated into a resolution. He said a study might be beneficial and establishment of a printer's

advisory council would be a good idea. He noted that all of this would require time and money at a time when we are trying to cut costs in government. He noted during their research they had discovered there were only five printing businesses in the City of Helena and in a few years this number had now increased to fifteen. He felt the private printing sector had been overbuilt and that the state was now being asked to help bail them out.

OPPONENTS: There were none.

QUESTIONS ON HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 52: There were none.

Representative Simon then CLOSED on HJR 52 by stating he had no difficulty with the language in the resolution.

The hearing was CLOSED on Senate Resolution 5.

CONSIDERATION OF SENATE RESOLUTION 5: This resolution was sponsored by Senator Haffey, Senate District 33, Anaconda and was entitled, "A RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE 50th LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA CONCURRING IN, CONFIRMING, AND CONSENTING TO THE NOMINATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS MADE BY THE GOVERNOR AND SUBMITTED BY WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS DATED APRIL 14, 1987, TO THE SENATE PURSUANT TO SECTION 5-5-302, MCA." The committee members had investigated the nominations put forth by the Governor and had all concluded they agreed with the choices that had been made and recommended confirmation be made by the Senate body.

The hearing was CLOSED on Senate Resolution 5.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SENATE RESOLUTION 5: Senator Farrell MOVED THAT SENATE RESOLUTION 5 DO PASS. The motion passed unanimously.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 52: Senator Harding MOVED THAT HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 52 BE CONCURRED IN. Senator Hirsch asked if a recent study had been done and was told there was in 1981 or 1981. The motion carried with Senator Hirsch voting "no." Senator Mazurek will carry the bill on the Senate floor.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

ROLL CALL

SENATE STATE ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

50th LEGISLATIVE SESSION -- 1987

Date 4/17/87

NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
SENATOR JACK HAFNEY	X		
SENATOR WILLIAM FARRELL	X		
SENATOR LES HIRSCH	X		
SENATOR JOHN ANDERSON	X		
SENATOR J. D. LYNCH			X
SENATOR ETHEL HARDING	X		
SENATOR ELEANOR VAUGHN	X		
SENATOR SAM HOFMAN	X		
SENATOR HUBERT ABRAMS	X		
SENATOR TOM RASMUSSEN	X		

Each day attach to minutes.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

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MR. PRESIDENT

SENATE STATE ADMINISTRATION

We, your committee on

SENATE RESOLUTION 5

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SENATE RESOLUTION 5

Respectfully report as follows: That..... No.....

DO PASS

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SENATOR JACK HAFFEY,

Chairman.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

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MR. PRESIDENT

We, your committee on SENATE STATE ADMINISTRATION

having had under consideration HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 52

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INTERIM STUDY ON STATE PRINTING
Simon (Mazurek)

Respectfully report as follows: That HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 52

BE CONCURRED IN

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Senator Jack Haffey,

Chairman.