

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 51st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: By Chairman Jan Brown, on January 9, 1989,
at 10:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: All members present, except:

Members Excused: Reps. Moore, Westlake and Roth

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Judy Burggraff, Secretary; Lois Menzies,
Staff Researcher

Announcements/Discussion: On Tuesday, January 10, we will
meet at 10:00 a.m. and discuss HB 71 and HJR 4.

HEARING ON HB 43

Presentation and Opening Statement by Sponsor:

Rep. Boharski stated this is a bill to permit a
legislator to sign state documents by a facsimile
signature.

List of Testifying Proponents and What Group They Represent:

None

List of Testifying Opponents and What Group They Represent:

None

Testimony:

None

Questions From Committee Members: Rep. Davis asked if
multiple stamps would be issued or would you just be
responsible for one. Rep. Boharski said that a copy
of each facsimile signature must be registered with the
presiding officer and a legislator is responsible for
his stamp. Rep. Davis and others expressed concern
about the possible abuse of the individual facsimile
stamps and thought maybe they should amend the bill to
say that only one stamp could be issued to each
legislator.

Closing by Sponsor: None

DISPOSITION OF HB 43

Motion: Rep. Campbell moved HB 43 DO PASS, seconded by Rep. Compton.

Discussion: The committee further discussed the merits of only have one facsimile stamp. It was decided not to amend the bill and let each legislator that used the stamp be responsible for its use.

Amendments and Votes: None

Recommendation and Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

HEARING ON HB 5

Presentation and Opening Statement by Sponsor: Rep. Eudaily stated that this bill is known as the "Code Commissioner's Bill." The bill is mostly a housekeeping one, that took care of dotting the "i's", crossing the "t's" and deleting sections that are no longer relevant in the codes. Since only legislators can make a change in the codes, any error or obsolete section cannot be changed or removed without their approval. He noted that the green sheet serves as a guide describing the statutory changes in the bill. He gave a few examples of the types of revisions made in the bill (i.e., re-outlining, correcting erroneous references, deleting dated material).

List of Testifying Proponents and What Group They Represent:

Greg Petesch, Code Commissioner

List of Testifying Opponents and What Group They Represent:

None

Testimony:

GREG PETESCH, Code Commissioner, explained that the changes in the bill are nonsubstantive. He said that section 83 is new this session. This section allows the Commissioner to correct erroneous references in bills enacted by the 51st Legislature. This will reduce the size of this bill in future sessions resulting in cost reduction on printing. He also noted that the Dept. of Family Services had some concern about

the revision made in section 62. Mr. Petesch said that he does not believe that the change will eliminate any services to county welfare departments.

Questions From Committee Members: None

Closing by Sponsor: Rep. Eudaily said he had no further comments to make.

DISPOSITION OF HB 5

MOTION: Rep. O'Connell moved DO PASS, Rep. Compton seconded the motion.

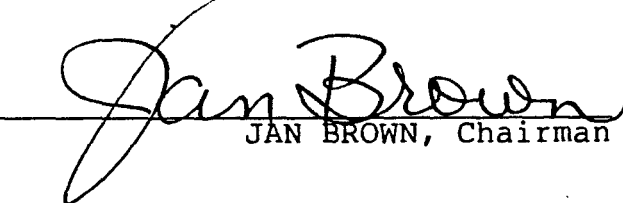
Discussion: None

Amendments and Votes: None

Recommendation and Vote: The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment At: 10:30 a.m.


JAN BROWN, Chairman

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DAILY ROLL CALL

STATE ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

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NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
Rep. Jan Brown, Chairman	✓		
Rep. Helen O'Connell, Vice Ch.	✓		
Rep. Vicki Cocchiarella	✓		
Rep. Ervin Davis	✓		
Rep. Floyd "Bob" Gervais	✓		
Rep. Janet Moore	✓		✓
Rep. Angela Russell	✓		
Rep. Carolyn Squires	✓		
Rep. Vernon Westlake			✓
Rep. Timothy Whalen	✓		
Rep. Bud Campbell	✓		
Rep. Duane Compton	✓		
Rep. Roger DeBruycker	✓		
Rep. Harriet Hayne	✓		
Rep. Richard Nelson	✓		
Rep. John Phillips	✓		
Rep. Rande Roth			✓
Rep. Wilbur Spring, Jr.			


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Mr. Speaker: We, the committee on State Administration report
that House Bill 43 (first reading copy -- white) do pass.

Signed: _____


Jan Brown, Chairman

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Mr. Speaker: We, the committee on State Administration report
that House Bill 5 (first reading copy -- white) do pass.

Signed: _____

Jan Brown
Jan Brown, Chairman

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