

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 51st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

SUBCOMMITTEE ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT AND HIGHWAYS

Call to Order: By Chairman Quilici, on January 23, 1989, at 10:02 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: All members were present.

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Pam Joehler, LFA
Flo Smith, OBPP
Mary Liedle, secretary

Announcements/Discussion: Rep. Quilici announced the committee would pick up with executive action on the Department of Administration where it was left on Saturday.

DISPOSITION OF DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION: GENERAL SERVICES

Tape No. 27A

Motion: Rep. Swysgood moved to add \$4000 each year of the biennium for assessments.

Discussion: There was discussion about what percent inflation that would represent. Pam Joehler explained it was 11% which reflects the history of the past three years.

Amendments, Discussion, and Votes: The motion PASSED unanimously.

DISPOSITION OF DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION: CENTRAL MAIL PROGRAM

Tape No. 27A

Motion: Sen. Regan moved to accept the LFA current level

with 7% overhead in FY90 and 6% overhead in FY91.

Discussion: The agency asked for leniency in the FY91 overhead rate, with the option to increase the rate if necessary. Sen. Regan expressed concern with that request. She suggested the agency could come in for a supplemental if the set rate wasn't sufficient.

Amendments, Discussion, and Votes: The motion PASSED unanimously.

Motion: Sen. Stimatz moved to approve an additional .5 FTE mail clerk for the existing workload and an additional .5 FTE mail clerk for the anticipated upcoming workload due to the addition of the Fish and Game Department. (This position would be a grade 6)

Discussion: The committee asked if the .5 FTE would then be taken out of the Fish and Game budget. The agency said the Fish and Game budget would give up .25 FTE and \$8300.

Amendments, Discussion, and Votes: The motion PASSED with Rep. Swysgood voting nay.

DISPOSITION OF DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION: PROPERTY AND
SUPPLY BUREAU

Tape No. 27A

Motion: Rep. Swysgood moved to approve \$6400 for hookup to SBAS.

Discussion: There was discussion among committee members regarding whether the hookup would be valuable if the other computer improvements requested were not granted. Mike Trevor answered questions from committee members. Pam Joehler told the committee that this was really not an optional improvement for the agency as it is mandated.

Amendments, Discussion, and Votes: Sen. Stimatz offered a substitute motion to approve \$9000 for the computer hookup to SBAS and DISSOS.

Amendments, Discussion, and Votes: Sen. Stimatz amended the substitute motion to approve \$9000 for the computer hookup to SBAS and DISSOS and to approve \$29,600 for the WANG system upgrade.

Vote: The amended substitute motion FAILED with Sen.

Stimatz and Rep. Nisbet voting aye.

Vote: The original motion to approve \$6400 for hookup to SBAS failed with Rep. Nisbet, Rep. Swysgood and Rep. Quilici voting nay.

Motion: Rep. Nisbet moved to approve \$9000 for hookup to SBAS and DISSOS.

Amendments, Discussion, and Votes: The motion PASSED unanimously.

DISPOSITION OF DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION: TORT CLAIMS
DIVISION

Tape No. 27B

Motion: Sen. Regan moved to approve the LFA current level with the addition of one FTE risk manager and 1 FTE paralegal and the condition that Mr. Maynard meet with Pam Joehler to determine a dollar amount to be deducted from the contracted services portion of the budget.

Discussion: There was discussion as to the priority need for the requested positions. Sen. Stimatz asked if there is any kind of report that shows the relation between costs and the amount saved. John Maynard answered the questions.

Amendments, Discussion, and Votes: The motion PASSED unanimously.

DISPOSITION OF DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION: INFORMATION
SERVICES DIVISION

Tape No. 27B

Motion: Rep. Nisbet moved to adopt the LFA current level budget for the entire Information Services Division.

Amendments, Discussion, and Votes: The motion PASSED unanimously.

RESOURCE MANAGEMENT/ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM

Motion: Sen. Stimatz moved to approve \$85,200 each year of biennium for maintenance.

Discussion: Committee members questioned where the money

from in the previous years and why it couldn't come from that same place again. Questions were answered by Mike Trevor.

Amendments, Discussion, and Votes: The motion FAILED with Sen. Stimatz voting aye.

CENTRAL COMPUTER OPERATIONS PROGRAM

Discussion: The committee discussed the issues in this program including operating expenses which exceed the executive recommendation and equipment funding which is lower in the current level budget than the executive recommendation. The modified requests were discussed as well. These include hardware maintenance/software upgrades at \$500,000 per year line-itemed and the SRS TEAMS project.

No Action Was Taken.

INFORMATION SERVICES PROGRAM

Discussion: The committee discussed equipment in this program.

No Action Was Taken.

SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Motion: Rep. Nisbet moved to make the \$200,000 for contracted programming a line-itemed biennial appropriation.

Discussion: Rep. Swysgood asked for the rationale for putting the entire \$200,000 for contracted programming all in one year. Flo Smith explained that this would give the agency more flexibility. This would enable them to spend more in the first year if needed. The dollar amount was not in question, the issue was simply whether to make it only \$100,000 per year (as per the LFA) or to make it a biennial appropriation. Mike Trevor told the committee it helps the agency to have a biennial appropriation if they have a large project in the first year of the biennium.

Amendments, Discussion, and Votes: The motion PASSED unanimously.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS PROGRAM

Discussion: The committee discussed the issues in the program including a modified request for an upgrade to

the telephone system.

No Action Was Taken.

9-1-1 EMERGENCY

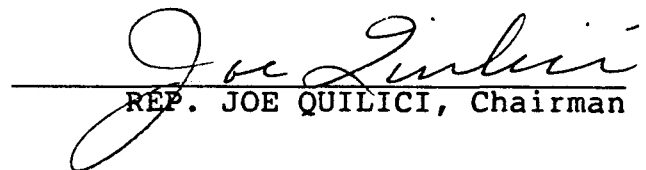
Motion: Rep. Swysgood moved to accept the LFA current level budget with the necessary adjustments to reflect revenue restrictions.

Discussion: Pam Joehler was asked to return to the subcommittee with the dollar amounts representing the necessary adjustments.

Amendments, Discussion, and Votes: The motion PASSED unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment At: 12:21 p.m.


REP. JOE QUILICI, Chairman

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DAILY ROLL CALL

GENERAL GOVERNMENT AND HIGHWAYS

SUBCOMMITTEE

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NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
Representative Joe Quilici, Chair	✓		
Representative Jerry Nisbet	✓		
Representative Chuck Swysgood	✓		
Senator Larry Tveit, Vice Chair	✓		
Senator Pat Regan	✓		
Senator Lawrence Stimatz	✓		