

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 51st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON SENATE RULES

Call to Order: By Chairman Gage, on April 5, 1989 at 4:40 p.m. in Room 331 of the State Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Senators: Del Gage, Chairman, Jack Galt, Bruce Crippen, Fred Van Valkenburg, Judy Jacobson, Bill Farrell and Bill Norman

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Ann Glenn, Secretary

Senator Gage opened the meeting by referring to House Bills 325, 760, 774, 782 and 663 and the need to determine if these bills are considered to be revenue or appropriation bills and if they have met deadlines to come into the Senate.

H.B. 325

This bill, introduced by Marks, Cobbs and Keating, does not have an appropriation in the bill although it does have a fiscal note and would indicate if the State is going to have expanded possibilities for assigning space state-wide, they may be involved in additional funding needs.

Representative Marks responded to Chairman Gage's request for a background on H.B.325 that when this bill was heard in the House it was handled just like any other impact bill that had FTE impacts on them. This bill was not moved out prior to the time of general bills and obviously didn't meet the transmittal date. A Senate amendment was offered to support the FTE position in the Finance Committee and that motion didn't prevail.

H.B. 325, Cont'd

After a discussion between Committee members on the pros and cons for determining which bills are revenue or appropriation bills, Senator Norman moved that H.B. 325 is properly before the Senate and from discussion by the President, should be in the Finance and Claims Committee

Motion Passed

H.B. 760

Representative Hannah, one of the sponsor's of H.B.760, said the bill originally started out with a request of \$100,000 and now \$7,500 has been appropriated from the general fund and it is still an appropriation bill as far as he could tell.

Senator Galt moved that the Committee accept H.B. 760 and that the bill be assigned to the Finance and Claims Committee.

Motion Passed

H.B. 774

President Galt reported this bill started out as an appropriation bill but was stripped of the money. He would be in favor of accepting it.

President Galt then moved that H.B. 774 is correctly before us and will be assigned to the Highway Committee.

Motion Passed

H.B. 782

Representative Quilici informed members that this bill was a committee bill. The money for this bill has been put into the regular appropriation bill, H.B. 100

Senator Norman moved that H.B. 782 be regarded as an appropriation bill.

Motion Passed

H.B. 663

H.B. 663 deals with an act to include Hospice care as a mandatory Medicaid service. Jim Ahrens, President of Montana Hospital Association, detailed the history of the bill noting that at first it was just a general bill but following being passed out of House Human Services Committee the sponsor requested a fiscal note. It passed second reading was sent down to appropriations, given a do pass and passed second reading again and referred to the Senate Labor Committee where it has been held up.

President Galt made a motion to accept H.B. 663 as an appropriation bill.

Motion Passed

SENATE J.R. 10

Senator Halligan, the sponsor of S.J.R. 10, explained that his reasons for introducing the Resolution is to try and make the process a little more efficient with respect to conference committees by allowing a regular conference committee to either accept, reject or amend existing amendments on a bill so that you don't have to open up an entire bill every time you want to amend an existing amendment. Representative Vincent thought the Resolution merited some thought and if sent to the House they would call a rules meeting and deal with it just as quickly as they possibly can.

Senator Van Valkenburg moved a do pass on Senate Joint Resolution 10.

Motion Passed

HOUSE J.R. 14

Representative Vincent detailed the reasons for introducing H.J.R. 14 emphasizing the need for more coordination and communication between joint legislative agencies and committees. He believes this Resolution would be a good first step to work on problems that now just become jurisdictional stats between various legislative agencies.

After discussion, Senator Norman moved that the H.J.R. 14 be concurred in.

Motion Passed

RESOLUTION DRAFTED

Chairman Gage advised the Committee that Senator Blaylock would like to visit with them regarding a discussion on the floor recently about a rule in the chair. Blaylock stated there was a motion made and the chair ruled it out of order and then a senator rose and appealed from the position of the chair but the chair would not accept the appeal. Senator Blaylock suggested that in Senate Rules 5140 where it gives all the motions that can be made on second reading that "incidental motions" be inserted because it arises out of the business at hand.

Senator VanValkenberg made a motion that the Senate Rules Committee draft a Resolution to amend the rules in the fashion that Senator Blaylock has requested.

Motion Passed

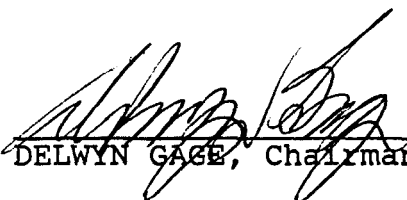
Chairman Gage said such a resolution would be presented and a future meeting would be held on that bill.

CONSIDERATION OF A BLANKET RULES SUSPENSION

A discussion was had by Senator Regan, Senator Vincent and members of the Committee regarding the need for a blanket rules suspension to allow receipt of Senate amendments by the House through the 86th Legislative day. It was agreed that leaders of both Houses meet as soon as possible to define the bills and agree on a Blanket Rules Suspension.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.


DELWYN GAGE, Chairman

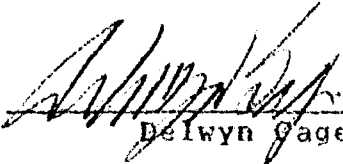
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SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

April 6, 1989

MR. PRESIDENT:

We, your committee on Rules, having had under consideration HB 325 (third reading copy -- blue), respectfully report that HB 325 was properly transmitted to the Senate and is referred to the President for assignment to committee.

Signed: 

Delwyn Gage, Chairman

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4/6/89
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SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

April 6, 1889

MR. PRESIDENT:

We, your committee on Rules, having had under consideration HB 760 (third reading copy -- blue), respectfully report that HB 760 was properly transmitted to the Senate and is referred to the President for assignment to committee.

Signed: _____

Delwyn Gage
Delwyn Gage, Chairman

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SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

April 6, 1989

MR. PRESIDENT:

We, your committee on Rules, having had under consideration HB 774 (third reading copy -- blue), respectfully report that HB 774 was properly transmitted to the Senate and is referred to the President for assignment to committee.

Signed: _____

Delwyn Gage
Delwyn Gage, Chairman

J.C.
4/18/89
7:50
p.m.
ACCEPT. 406

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

April 6, 1989

MR. PRESIDENT:

We, your committee on Rules, having had under consideration HB 782 (third reading copy -- blue), respectfully report that HB 782 was properly transmitted to the Senate and is referred to the President for assignment to committee.

Signed: 

Delwyn Sage, Chairman

J.C.
4/6/89
3:50

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

April 6, 1989

MR. PRESIDENT:

We, your committee on Rules, having had under consideration HB 663 (third reading copy -- blue), respectfully report that HB 663 was properly transmitted to the Senate and is referred to the President for assignment to committee.

Signed: _____

Delwyn Gage
Delwyn Gage, Chairman

4/6/89
3:20 p.m.

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

April 6, 1989

MR. PRESIDENT:

We, your committee on Rules, having had under consideration SJR 10 (first reading copy -- white), respectfully report that SJR 10 do pass.

DO PASS

Signed: _____


Delwyn Gage, Chairman

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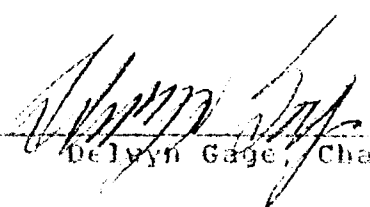
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MR. PRESIDENT:

We, your committee on Rules, having had under consideration HJR 14 (third reading copy -- blue), respectfully report that HJR 14 be concurred in.

Sponsor: Vincent (Blaylock)

BE CONCURRED IN

Signed:  _____
Delynn Gage, Chairman

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