MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 51st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Call to Order: By Chairman Bruce Crippen, on April 19, 1989, at 10:00 in Room 413.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Chairman Bruce Crippen, V. Chairman Al Bishop, Senators Bob Brown, John Harp and Loren Jenkins. In addition, Senator Del Gage attended to bring attendance up to quorum.

Members Excused: Senators Tom Beck, Mike Halligan, Joe Mazurek, R. J. Pinsoneault and Bill Yellowtail

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Staff Attorney Valencia Lane and Committee Secretary Rosemary Jacoby

Announcements/Discussion: None

HEARING ON HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 38

Presentation and Opening Statement by Sponsor:

Representative Timothy Whalen of Billings, District 93, opened the hearing. He said the bill requested an interim study on the establishment of local court districts. He said the problem was that each city or town is required to have a city judge. Justices of the Peace have to perform those duties. The bill would give the legislature an opportunity to study the problem and come up with a solution to provide the services needed. He said it would consider judicial salaries as well. He urged support of the bill.

<u>List of Testifying Proponents and What Group they Represent:</u>

None

List of Testifying Opponents and What Group They Represent:

None

Testimony:

None

Questions From Committee Members: None

Closing by Sponsor: Rep. Whalen closed.

DISPOSITION OF HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 38

Discussion: None

Amendments and Votes: None

Recommendation and Vote: Senator Bishop MOVED that House Joint Resolution 38 BE CONCURRED IN. The MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

HEARING ON HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 41

Presentation and Opening Statement by Sponsor: In the absence of Representative John Vincent of Bozeman, District 80, the bill was presented by Representative Whalen. He said the bill requested an interim study of the state's DUI laws and educational treatment programs. He said the idea was to study the DUI laws and determine whether or not they were adequate. The House Judiciary Committee felt a study should be made, he said.

List of Testifying Proponents and What Group they Represent:
None

List of Testifying Opponents and What Group They Represent:

Testimony:

None

None

Questions From Committee Members: None

Closing by Sponsor: Representative Whalen closed the hearing.

DISPOSITION OF HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 41

Discussion: None

Amendments and Votes: None

Recommendation and Vote: Senator Brown MOVED that House
Joint Resolution BE CONCURRED IN. The MOTION CARRIED
on a vote of 5 to 1 with Senator Jenkins voting NO.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment At: 10:15 a.m.

SENATOR BRUCE D. CRIPPEN, Chairman

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ROLL CALL

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NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT	EXCUSED
SENATOR CRIPPEN	V		
SENATOR BECK			
SENATOR BISHOP	V		
SENATOR BROWN	/	·	
SENATOR HALLIGAN		V	
SENATOR HARP	V		
SENATOR JENKINS	V		
SENATOR MAZUREK		1	
SENATOR PINSONEAULT	_	V	
SENATOR YELLOWTAIL		V	
Senator Dage	V		

Each day attach to minutes.

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

April 19, 1989

MR. PRESIDENT:

We, your committee on Judiciary, having had under consideration HJR 38 (third reading copy -- blue), respectfully report that HJR 38 be concurred in.

Sponsor: Whalen (Halligan)

BE CONCURRED IN

Signed: Bruce D. Crippen, Charman

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SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

April 19, 1989

MR. PRESIDENT:

We, your committee on Judiciary, having had under consideration HJR 41 (third reading copy -- blue), respectfully report that HJR 41 be concurred in.

Sponsor: Vincent (Boylan)

BE CONCURRED IN

Signed: Crippen, Chairwan

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