#### MINUTES

## MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 53rd LEGISLATURE - SPECIAL SESSION

## COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

Call to Order: By REP. DICK SIMPKINS, CHAIRMAN, on Wednesday, December 1, 1993, at 10 a.m.

#### ROLL CALL

#### Members Present:

Rep. Dick Simpkins, Chairman (R)

Rep. Wilbur Spring, Vice Chairman (R)

Rep. Ervin Davis, Vice Chairman (D)

Rep. Beverly Barnhart (D)

Rep. Pat Galvin (D)

Rep. Bob Gervais (D)

Rep. Harriet Hayne (R)

Rep. Gary Mason (R)

Rep. Brad Molnar (R)

Rep. Bill Rehbein (R)

Rep. Sheila Rice (D)

Rep. Sam Rose (R)

Rep. Dore Schwinden (D)

Rep. Carolyn Squires (D)

Rep. Jay Stovall (R)

Rep. Norm Wallin (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: None.

Please Note: These are summary minutes. Testimony and

discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

# Committee Business Summary:

Hearing: Informal Presentation

Executive Action: None.

## COMMISSIONER OF POLITICAL PRACTICES

<u>Informational Testimony</u>: Ed Argenbright, Commissioner of Political Practices, gave a presentation outlining his department's proposals. He said he had asked 12 prominent Montanans to serve on a task force committee at no cost to the state. This committee is researching how to make campaign reporting easier and the information more accessible and how to better inform montanans as to the requirements of campaign finance reporting and political practices. The proposal made would increase the fees lobbyists pay from \$10 to \$25. This fee has remained the same since 1959.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 11:00 a.m.

REP. DICK SIMPKINS, Chairman

PAT BENNETT, Secretary

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