

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 54th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON SENATE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 24

Call to Order: By SENATOR ETHEL HARDING, on April 10, 1995, at
12:00 PM

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Ethel M. Harding (R)
Sen. Bruce D. Crippen (R)
Sen. Jeff Weldon (D)
Rep. Royal C. Johnson (R)
Rep. Beverly Barnhart (D)
Rep. Chris Ahner (R)

Staff Present: Gail Moser, Committee Secretary

Discussion:

Members of this Conference Committee discussed issues such as:

- ♦ why the Legislature should maintain authority regarding the size and appointments for study committees.
- ♦ how the Committee on Committees functions.
- ♦ how study committee members are appointed and why.
- ♦ how study committees are ranked for the selection process.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REVIEW OF SENATE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 24

Motion: REP. ROYAL JOHNSON moved to REJECT SENATE AMENDMENTS TO HB24 (returning HB24 to its original form)

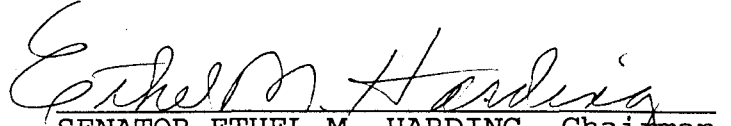
Vote: The MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY on oral vote.

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ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 12:20 PM


SENATOR ETHEL M. HARDING, Chairman


GAIL MOSER, Secretary

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CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

on House Bill 24

Report No. 1, April 10, 1995

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Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

We, your Conference Committee on House Bill 24 met and considered:

1. Senate Committee on State Administration Amendments to the third reading copy, dated January 20, 1995;

2. Amend Senate Committee on State Administration amendments dated January 20, 1995 as follows:

Strip amendments 1 through 4 in their entirety.

And this Conference Committee report be adopted.

For the House:

R. Johnson

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Chair

Ahner

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Barnhart

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For the Senate:

Harding

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ADOPT

REJECT

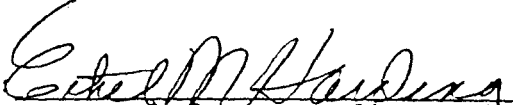
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SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

Page 1 of 1
January 20, 1995

MR. PRESIDENT:

We, your committee on State Administration having had under consideration HB 24 (third reading copy -- blue), respectfully report that HB 24 be amended as follows and as so amended be concurred in.

Signed 
Senator Ethel M. Harding, Chair

That such amendments read:

1. Page 1, line 26.

Strike: "THE COMPOSITION OF EACH"

Following: "Each"

Insert: "Each"

2. Page 1, lines 26 and 27.

Following: "subcommittee" on line 26

Strike: "MUST" on line 26 through "FOLLOWS:" on line 27

3. Page 1, line 29 through page 2, line 3.

Following: "party" on page 1, line 29

Strike: the remainder of line 29 through "PARTY." on page 2, line
3

4. Page 2, line 6.


Following: "members."

Insert: "consists of the number of members determined to be appropriate by the legislators appointed to the legislative council, provided that:

(a) the house and senate have an equal number of members; and

(b) no more than one-half of the members appointed from the house and no more than one-half of the members appointed from the senate may be of the same political party"

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Amd. Coord.
Sec. of Senate


Senator Carrying Bill

HB 24

SENATE



CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

on House Bill 24

Report No. 1, April 12, 1995

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Mr. Speaker and Mr. President:

We, your Conference Committee on **House Bill 24** met and considered House Bill 24 and recommend that **House Bill 24** (reference copy -- salmon) be amended as follows:

1. Page 1, line 26.

Strike: "EACH"

Insert: "The composition of each"

2. Page 1, line 26.

Following: "subcommittee"

Insert: "must be as follows:."

(a) Four members of the House, no more than two of whom may be of one political party; and

(b) Four members of the senate, no more than two of whom may be of one political party."

3. Page 2, lines 6 through 12.

Strike: Lines 6 through 12 in their entirety

We recommend that these amendments be acceded to by the senate.

And this Conference Committee report be adopted.

For the House:

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For the Senate:

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ADOPT

REJECT

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HOUSE BILL NO. 24

INTRODUCED BY MENAHAN

BY REQUEST OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING CERTAIN PROCEDURES FOR APPOINTMENTS TO INTERIM JOINT SUBCOMMITTEES; AMENDING SECTION 5-5-211, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

WHEREAS, the Legislative Council is assigned the responsibility of effectively and efficiently utilizing the staff and financial resources within its purview; and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Council is also assigned the responsibility of determining priorities for interim studies to be conducted by interim joint subcommittees; and

WHEREAS, the Legislative Council has diligently considered ways of improving certain procedures, including the appointment of members to interim joint subcommittees.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 5-5-211, MCA, is amended to read:

"5-5-211. Appointment and composition of joint subcommittees. (1) Senate joint subcommittee members ~~shall~~ must be appointed by the committee on committees.

(2) House joint subcommittee members ~~shall~~ must be appointed by the speaker of the house.

(3) Unless otherwise indicated by the legislative council, all appointments to joint subcommittees must be made within 30 days after the presiding officer of the committee on committees and the speaker of the house have been notified that an interim joint subcommittee has been created.

(4) ~~No~~ A legislator may not serve on more than two interim joint subcommittees.

(5) THE COMPOSITION OF EACH ~~The composition of each~~ Each subcommittee MUST BE AS FOLLOWS: ~~shall be as follows:~~

(1) ~~four members of the house, no more than two of whom may be of one political party; and~~

(2) ~~four members of the senate, no more than two of whom may be of one political party~~ (A)

FOUR MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE, NO MORE THAN TWO OF WHOM MAY BE OF ONE POLITICAL PARTY;