

MINUTES

**MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
54th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

JOINT SUBCOMMITTEE ON INSTITUTIONS & CULTURAL EDUCATION

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN MARJORIE I. FISHER**, on January 6,
1995, at 8:00 AM

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Marjorie I. Fisher, Chairman (R)
Sen. Larry J. Tveit, Vice Chairman (R)
Sen. Gary C. Aklestad (R)
Rep. William T. "Red" Menahan (D)
Rep. Steve Vick (D)
Sen. Mignon Waterman (D)

Members Excused: NONE

Members Absent: NONE

Staff Present: Lisa Smith, Legislative Fiscal Analyst
Mary LaFond, Office of Budget & Program Planning
Brandee Decrevel, Committee Secretary

Please Note: These are summary minutes. Testimony and
discussion are paraphrased and condensed.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing: NONE
Executive Action: **MONTANA HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON MONTANA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Tape No. 1 SIDE A

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM by **CHAIRMAN MARGE FISHER** on January 6, 1995. **CHAIRMAN FISHER** informed the committee that they were going to start with a motion for the entire agency to vote on the base budget for FY 1994.

Motion/Vote: **REP. RED MENAHAN** moved that the committee accept the base budget for fiscal year 1994. **REP. STEVE VICK** seconded the motion. The motion carried in favor by all committee members.

DISCUSSION

The committee then discussed the Present Law Adjustments item by item. Beginning with personal services, **Ms. Smith** explained to the members that it is the net result of the elimination of .05 FTE and pay plan increases. Inflation/deflation and fixed costs are self-explanatory. She also told the committee that they have the option to accept them all at once or one at a time. The committee chose to accept them all at once.

Motion/Vote: **REP. MENAHAN** moved to accept the present law adjustments items #1 through #5. **REP. VICK** seconded the motion. The committee voted and the motion carried with all members in favor.

DISCUSSION

The next item up for business was Executive Budget New Proposals. **Ms. Smith** told the committee that the information in the budget analysis book has been updated. There were originally two new proposals to fund the Capitol tours and the Original Governors Mansion tour program with the accommodations tax. Currently they are funded with general fund in the base budget. The executive initially proposed to open up the accommodations tax statute to increase the percentage in funding that would go to the Historical Society and allow them to fund these two programs with the bed tax. The executive has offered a substitute proposal in which the Department of Commerce would grant the Historical Society \$75,000 of accommodations Montana Promotion Program tax each year to allow them to run these two programs and to do restoration maintenance of the carriage house at the Original Governors Mansion and when that is concluded they would use the extra funding to do other restoration.

Mary LaFond handed to the committee a handout explaining how the \$75,000 would be spent. **Ms. Smith** wanted to remind the committee that there is funding in the base budget, and if the members do not approve the proposal or make any motion, the general fund is still there and it will not be an increase because it is in the base.

SEN. WATERMAN moved to amend a new proposal: The Historical Society receives a grant of \$75,000 of bed tax funds per year from the Department of Commerce with the contingency of: 1) approval by the Dept. of Commerce sub-committee and 2) The bed tax is not de-ear marked. Otherwise they will be funded with general fund in present law. This motion carried with all committee members voting yes except **REP. FISHER** and **REP. VICK**.

The committee also added the following language to the proposal: "It is the intent of the legislature that similar amounts be appropriated to the Society for these purposes in subsequent biennia." **SEN. WATERMAN** made this motion and **REP. MENAHAN** seconded it. The committee passed this motion with all in favor except for **SEN. AKLESTAD**.

SEN. TVEIT moved to "direct the LFA and the OBPP to prepare and include any language to clarify and document this proposal." This motion passed unanimously.

Motion/Vote: The second new proposal is the personal services reduction in which **SEN. TVEIT** moved and **REP. VICK** seconded. The proposal was passed with all members in favor.

DISCUSSION

The library program was the next proposal that was discussed. **Ms. Smith** gave the committee a brief overview on this program. The three statewide present law adjustments are the same as in the first program and there are three more present law adjustments: one is repair and maintenance, one is equipment, and one is other miscellaneous expenses.

Motion/Vote: **SEN. WATERMAN** moved to approve the six present law adjustments. **REP. MENAHAN** seconded the motion. The committee passed this motion with all members in favor.

DISCUSSION

The committee reviewed the executive budget new proposals. There are four proposals: 1) microfilming archives, 2) archival photo storage supplies and photocopier, 3) binding and rebinding, and 4) personal services reductions.

Motion/Vote: **SEN. WATERMAN** moved to accept all four items. **REP. MENAHAN** seconded the motion. The committee moved to accept the motion with all in favor. The motion passed.

TAPE 1 SIDE

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DISCUSSION

The next program is the museum. **SEN. WATERMAN** moved that "all approved fixed costs are as approved by the general government sub-committee and inflation/deflation will be adjusted as necessary." This passed with all committee members.

Motion/Vote: SEN. TVEIT moved that all five present law adjustments be passed. REP. STEVE VICK seconded the motion. The committee passed this motion all in favor. The executive budget new proposals were the next item discussed. There are four of them. 1) Original Governors Mansion tour program, 2) exhibit schedule restoration, 3) photocopier rental, and 4) personal services reductions. Item #1 was already approved in the Administration Program.

Motion/Vote: SEN. WATERMAN moved to approve item #2. REP. MENAHAN seconded the motion. Passed all in favor with the exception of CHAIRMAN FISHER.

MOTION/VOTE: SEN. TVEIT made a motion to accept item #3. REP. MENAHAN seconded the motion. The motion passed with all members in approval.

MOTION/VOTE: REP. WATERMAN then made a motion to accept item # 4. REP. MENAHAN seconded the motion. The motion was passed with all in favor.

DISCUSSION

The Publications Program was next. There are eight items up for consideration with the present law adjustments.

Motion/Vote: SEN. WATERMAN called for approval on all eight items. REP. MENAHAN seconded the motion and the motion passed with the committee all in favor of the motion.

DISCUSSION

The executive budget new proposals are the next five items up.

Motion/Vote: SEN. WATERMAN moved for approval on all five items. SEN. TVEIT seconded the motion. The committee passed the motion with all in favor except CHAIRMAN FISHER.

DISCUSSION:

The historical sites preservation is the last program up for consideration. There are six present law adjustments.

Motion/Vote: SEN. WATERMAN moved to approve all six items. REP. MENAHAN seconded the motion. The committee passed the motion with all members in favor.

There are two executive budget new proposals. SEN. WATERMAN made a motion to accept item #1. REP. MENAHAN seconded the motion. The committee voted and the motion failed. All members voted no with the exception of SEN. WATERMAN and REP. MENAHAN.

HOUSE INSTITUTIONS & CULTURAL EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE

January 6, 1995

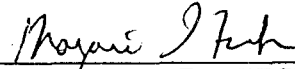
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SEN. TVEIT moved to approve item #2. **REP. VICK** seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

The executive action of the sub-committee on Institutions and Cultural Education on the Montana Historical Society was completed at 9:20.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 9:20 AM



MARJORIE I. FISHER, Chairman



BRANDEE J. DECREVEL, Secretary

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INSTITUTIONS

Joint Appropriations Subcommittee

ROLL CALL

DATE January 11, 95

| NAME | PRESENT | ABSENT | EXCUSED |
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| Rep. Marj Fisher, Chairman | ✓ | | |
| Rep. Red Menahan | ✓ | | |
| Rep. Steve Vick | ✓ | | |
| Sen. Larry Tveit, Vice Chairman | ✓ | | |
| Sen. Gary Aklestad | ✓ | | |
| Sen. Mignon Waterman | ✓ | | |

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