

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 55th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT SUBCOMMITTEE ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Call to Order: By CHAIRMAN ED GRADY, on January 20, 1997, at 9:09, in Room 402.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Edward J. "Ed" Grady, Chairman (R)
Sen. Loren Jenkins, Vice-Chairman (R)
Sen. Eve Franklin (D)
Rep. Bob Keenan (R)
Sen. Dale Mahlum (R)
Rep. Joe Quilici (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Jim Turner, Legislative Fiscal Division
Elaine Benedict, Committee Secretary

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted: 1/17/97
Executive Action: Department of Revenue

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

Mary Bryson, Department of Revenue Director. EXHIBITS 1 & 2
{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 1.9; Comments: None.}

Questions/Discussion:

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 9.7; Comments: None.}

Non-Committee/Staff participants in discussion:

-Ms. Bryson

-Lynn Chenoweth, Corporate Tax Bureau Chief, Department of Revenue

-Judy Painter, Department of Revenue Deputy Director

-Jeff Miller, Department of Revenue

-Roger Nordahl, Department of Revenue

Budget Item: DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

Motion: REP. JOE QUILICI moved to accept the base budget for the Director's Office.

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 36.0; Comments: None.}

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 37.0; Comments: None.}

Motion: REP. QUILICI moved to accept the Present Law Adjustments as contained in the chart on page A-113 of Volume 1 of the Governor's Budget and Legislative Budget Analysis.

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 37.1; Comments: None.}

Substitute Motion: REP. BOB KEENAN moved to accept the Present Law Adjustments as contained in the chart on page A-113, excluding item number 4.

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 39.7; Comments: None.}

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 42.1; Comments: None.}

Motion/Vote: REP. KEENAN moved to accept the agency's proposed change to item 4, which would result in a net reduction \$4,122 in each fiscal year. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: REP. KEENAN moved to accept New Proposal item 1, Fund Change From Proprietary To General Fund, as contained in the chart on page A-114.

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: TAPE WAS BEING TURNED OVER; Comments: None.}

Vote: Motion passed with SEN. LOREN JENKINS voting no.

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 5.2; Comments: None.}

Budget Item: OPERATIONS DIVISION

Motion: SEN. JENKINS moved to accept items 5 & 6 of the Present Law Adjustments as contained in the table on page A-121 with the agency's proposed changes, resulting in a net reduction of \$23,659 for item 5 in each fiscal year, and a net increase of \$12,127 in FY 98 and \$14,423 in FY 99 for item 6.

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 21.9; Comments: None.}

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 22.8; Comments: None.}

Motion/Vote: REP. KEENAN moved to accept the Present Law Adjustments 7, 8, 9 & 10 as contained in the chart on page A-121. Motion passed unanimously.

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 22.9; Comments: None.}

Motion: REP. QUILICI moved to accept the Present Law Adjustments 1, 2 & 3 as contained in the chart on page A-121.

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 23.7; Comments: None.}

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 28.5; Comments: None.}

Motion/Vote: SEN. EVE FRANKLIN moved to accept Present Law Adjustment 4 as contained in the chart on page A-121. Motion failed with REP. KEENAN, REP. GRADY and SEN. JENKINS voting no.

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 31.1; Comments: None.}

Motion: REP. KEENAN moved to accept New Proposal 1 as contained in the chart on page A-122.

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 31.8; Comments: None.}

Vote: Motion passed with SEN. JENKINS and REP. QUILICI voting no.

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 32.3; Comments: None.}

Motion/Vote: SEN. JENKINS moved to accept New Proposal 2 as contained in the chart on page A-122 as a one-time only appropriation, not to be included in the base for the next Legislative Session's budget proposal. Motion passed with REP. KEENAN and REP. QUILICI voting no.
{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 4.7; Comments: None.}

Budget Item: LIQUOR DIVISION

Motion/Vote: REP. KEENAN moved to accept the Present Law Adjustments 1 through 6 as described in the chart on page A-124 and the New Proposal 1 as contained in the chart on page A-125. The motion includes the agency's proposed change to Present Law Adjustment to item 4, resulting in a net reduction of \$5,443 in each fiscal year. Motion passed with SEN. JENKINS voting no.
{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 8.4; Comments: None.}

Budget Item: INCOME TAX DIVISION

Motion/Vote: SEN. JENKINS moved to accept Present Law Adjustments 4 & 6 as contained in the chart on page A-127, with the agency's proposed changes, resulting in an increase of \$27,168 each fiscal year for item 4 and a net increase of \$255,432 in FY 98 and \$260,275 in FY 99 for item 6. Motion passed unanimously.
{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 13.1; Comments: None.}

Motion/Vote: REP. KEENAN moved to accept Present Law Adjustment 5 as contained in the chart on page A-127. Motion passed unanimously.
{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 13.8; Comments: None}

Motion/Vote: REP. QUILICI moved Present Law Adjustments 1, 2 & 3 as contained in the chart on page A-127. Motion passed unanimously.
{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 16.9; Comments: None.}

Motion: SEN. FRANKLIN moved to accept Present Law Adjustments 7, 8, 9 & 10 as contained in the chart on page A-127.
{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 17.2; Comments: None.}

Vote: Motion passed with REP. KEENAN voting no.
{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 18.6; Comments: None.}

Motion/Vote: SEN. JENKINS moved to accept New Proposal 3 as contained in the chart on page A-128 as a one-time only appropriation. Motion passed with REP. KEENAN voting no.
{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 19.3; Comments: None.}

Motion: REP. QUILICI moved to accept New Proposal 1 as contained in the chart on page A-128.
{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 19.6; Comments: None.}

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.
{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 26.5; Comments: None.}

Motion: REP. QUILICI moved New Proposal 4 as contained in the chart on page A-128, contingent upon passage of legislation recommended by the Blue Ribbon Telecommunications Task Force.
{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 26.6; Comments: None.}

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.
{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 28.6; Comments: None.}

Motion/Vote: REP. QUILICI moved to accept the Executive Language Recommendation as stated page A-129. Motion passed unanimously.
{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 28.9; Comments: None.}

Motion/Vote: SEN. JENKINS moved to accept the base budgets for the Operations Division and Liquor Division. Motion passed unanimously.
{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 29.1; Comments: None.}

Motion: SEN. JENKINS moved to accept the base budget for the Income Tax Division, excluding the FTE position 06034 of EXHIBIT 2.
{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 30.5; Comments: None.}

Vote: Motion passed with REP. QUILICI voting no.
{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 35.8; Comments: None.}

Budget Item: CORPORATION AND NATURAL RESOURCE TAX DIVISION

Motion/Vote: REP. QUILICI moved to accept Present Law Adjustments 4 & 6 as described in the chart on page A-133, with the agency's proposed change to item for, resulting in a net increase for item 4 of \$13,346 in FY 98 and \$12,346 in FY 99. Motion passed unanimously.

{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 40.3; Comments: None.}

Motion/Vote: REP. QUILICI moved to accept Present Law Adjustments 1, 2 & 3 as contained in the chart on page A-133. Motion passed unanimously.

{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 40.7; Comments: None.}

Motion/Vote: REP. QUILICI moved to accept Present Law Adjustment 7 as contained in the chart on page A-133. Motion passed unanimously.

{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 42.3; Comments: None.}

Motion/Vote: SEN. DALE MAHLUM moved to accept Present Law Adjustment 5 as contained in the chart on page A-133. Motion passed with REP. KEENAN voting no.

{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 43.2; Comments: None.}

Motion/Vote: SEN. FRANKLIN moved to accept the proposed Performance-Based Budget language as stated on page A-131. Motion passed unanimously.

{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 3.8; Comments: None.}

Motion/Vote: SEN. JENKINS moved to accept the base budget for the Corporation and Natural Resource Tax Division, excluding the FTE positions 07101, 07903 and 07905. Motion passed with REP. QUILICI and SEN. FRANKLIN voting no.

{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 12.7; Comments: None.}

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 11:46



REP. EDWARD J. "ED" GRADY, Chairman



ELAINE BENEDICT, Secretary

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