

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 55th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT SUBCOMMITTEE ON INSTITUTIONS

Call to Order: By CHAIRMAN FELAND, on January 21, 1997, at 8:25 A.M., National Guard Building, Helena, Montana.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Gary Feland, Chairman (R)
Sen. Arnie A. Mohl, Vice-Chairman (R)
Sen. B.F. "Chris" Christiaens (D)
Rep. William T. "Red" Menahan (D)
Sen. Mike Taylor (R)
Rep. Steve Vick (R)

Members Excused: Sen. Mike Taylor

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Cindy Weaver, Legislative Fiscal Division
Hope Spriggs, Committee Secretary

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted: DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS
1/21/97; 1/16/97
Executive Action: None

HEARING ON DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS

Maj. General John E. Prendergast, Adjutant General
{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 0.0; Comments:
Introduction and department overview.}

Brigadier General Gary L. Hindoiën, Assistant Adjutant General,
Montana Air National Guard
{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 6.2; Comments: Air
National Guard welcome.}

Major John Walsh, Mobilization Readiness Officer, Plans,
Operations and training Directorate, MT ARNG
{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 7.7; Comments: Montana
Army National Guard Overview.}

EXHIBITS 1-4

Mr. Ralph DeCunzo, Facilities Management Office

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 12.0; Comments:
Contracting and Construction of facilities overview.}

Mr. Chris Denning, Facilities Management Office

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 26.5; Comments:
Maintenance Service statewide of facilities.}

EXHIBIT 5

COMMITTEE questions

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 30.4; Comments: The
committee asked several questions on funds used for facility
maintenance, leasing information, combining military facilities,
and the use of private contractors in construction.}

Mr. John Wheeler, Montana National Guard Environmental Office

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 39.2; Comments:
Presentation of the mission and role of the Environmental
office.}

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 3.3; Comments: Mr. Wheeler
continued with the E.O. supplemental requests.}

SEN. CHRISTIAENS

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 5.6; Comments: Mr. Wheeler
answered waste disposal questions.}

Mr. Doug Booker, Administrator of Operational Services

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 12.7; Comments:
Presentation of Operational Services, including communications,
Army Guard Aviation Agreements and Contracts/Leases.}

Mr. Jim Jacobsen, Administrator, Veterans Affairs Division

{Tape: 1; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 28.4; Comments:
Presentation of Veterans Affairs Division: Mission and Budget
Issues.}

EXHIBIT 6, 7

{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 0.1; Comments: Mr.
Jacobsen, continued.}

Mr. Jim Greene, Administrator, Disaster and Emergency Services

{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 8.2; Comments:
Presentation, mission and budget issues.}

COMMITTEE questions

{Tape: 2; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 24.4; Comments: Mr. Greene
answered several questions on county/federal cost for disaster
assistance, and preparation for spring flooding.}

{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 2.2; Comments: Mr. Greene
continued with questions.}

Major Joel Cusker, Director of Military Support to Civil Authority

{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 8.3; Comments: Presentation of mission and examples of emergency/educational support.}

EXHIBIT 8

Colonel Michael T. McCabe, Judge Advocate, Montana ARNG

{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 20.9; Comments: Supplemental request and explanation on Peters v. State of Montana.}

EXHIBIT 9

Major General Prendergast

{Tape: 2; Side: B; Approx. Time Count: 28.8; Comments: Long Distance Learning Centers, Logistics Maintenance Training Center and summary.}

{Tape: 3; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 0.0; Comments: Major General Prendergast continued.}

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 10:40 A.M.



REP. GARY FELAND, Chairman



HOPE SPRIGGS, Secretary

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