

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 55th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT SUBCOMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Call to Order: By CHAIRMAN ROYAL C. JOHNSON, on January 22, 1997, at 8:00 a.m., in room 312-2 at the State Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Royal C. Johnson, Chairman (R)
Sen. Daryl Toews, Vice-Chairman (R)
Rep. Don Holland (R)
Sen. Greg Jergeson (D)
Sen. Ken Miller (R)
Rep. Ray Peck (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Sandy Whitney, Legislative Fiscal Division
Connie Jacobs, Committee Secretary

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted: U of M Forestry Conservation
and Experiment Station, and
the Bureau of Mines. 1/21/97
Executive Action: School for the Deaf and Blind.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND BLIND

Motion: SEN. DARYL TOEWS MOVED TO ADOPT PRESENT LAW ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM ON PAGE E-29 FOR PERSONAL SERVICES, INFLATION/DEFLATION, FIXED COSTS (ITEMS 1,2 and 3) AND OTHER BASE ADJUSTMENTS.

Vote: THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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Motion: SEN. TOEWS MOVED TO BUDGET 8,000 DOLLARS FOR PERSONAL SERVICES, AND TO ADOPT INFLATION/DEFLATION AND FIXED COSTS (ITEMS 2, AND 3) AND OTHER BASE ADJUSTMENTS FOR PRESENT LAW GENERAL SERVICES PROGRAM ON PAGE E-31.

Substitute Motion: SEN. GREG JERGESON MOVED TO APPROVE ITEMS 1, 2 AND 3, (PERSONAL SERVICES, INFLATION/DEFLATION, FIXED COSTS) AND OTHER BASE ADJUSTMENTS UNDER PRESENT LAW ADJUSTMENTS, GENERAL SERVICES PROGRAM, ON PAGE E-31.

Vote: THE MOTION FAILED, 4-2, WITH SEN. JERGESON AND CHAIRMAN JOHNSON VOTING FOR THE MEASURE.

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 8-18; Comments: .}

Motion: SEN. TOEWS OFFERED HIS ORIGINAL MOTION.

Vote: THE MOTION PASSED 4-2, WITH SEN. JERGESON AND CHAIRMAN JOHNSON VOTING AGAINST THE MEASURE.

Motion: SEN. JERGESON MOVED TO ADOPT PRESENT LAW ADJUSTMENT ITEMS 1, 2, 3 AND 4 (PERSONAL SERVICES, INFLATION/DEFLATION, FIXED COSTS, AND REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT) AND OTHER BASE ADJUSTMENTS FOR STUDENT SERVICES ON PAGE E-33.

Vote: THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Motion: SEN. TOEWS MOVED TO ADOPT (35,721) DOLLARS - FY 98 AND (38,026) DOLLARS - FY 99 FOR PRESENT LAW PERSONAL SERVICES (ITEM 1) AND TO ALSO ADOPT INFLATION/DEFLATION FIXED COSTS, REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT (ITEMS 2,3 and 4) AND OTHER BASE ADJUSTMENTS UNDER EDUCATION, ON PAGE E-35.

Vote: THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 20-34; Comments: .}

Motion: SEN. JERGESON MOVED TO ADOPT ITEM NUMBER 5 (OUTREACH TO FULL IMPLEMENTATION) UNDER EDUCATION PRESENT LAW ADJUSTMENTS ON PAGE E-35.

Vote: THE MOTION FAILED 4-2, WITH SEN. JERGESON AND CHAIRMAN JOHNSON VOTING FOR THE MEASURE.

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HEARING ON THE BUREAU OF MINES AND FORESTRY EXPERIMENT STATION.

Dean Perry Brown, Montana Forestry Experiment Station, University of Montana, discussed the accomplishments, goals, vision statements and budget requests of the Forestry Experiment Station.

EXHIBIT 1

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Questions from the committee.

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Chancellor Lindsay Norman, Montana School of Technology, presented significant funding issues the school faces; specifically retention of current funds, vacancy savings, and funding of the groundwater assessment program.

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Director John Steinmetz, Bureau of Mines - Montana School of Technology, spoke of biennial accomplishments and vision statements of the school.

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Questions and comments from the committee.

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Questions and comments regarding pay plan adjustments.

EXHIBIT 2

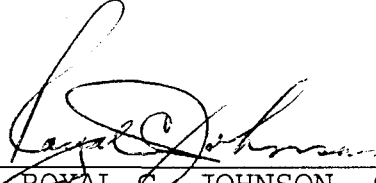
EXHIBIT 3

EXHIBIT 3a

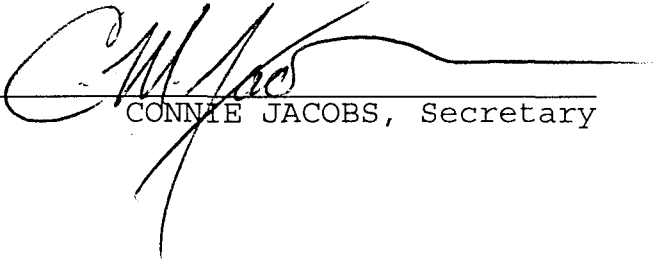
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ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: This meeting was adjourned at 11:25 am.



REP. ROYAL C. JOHNSON, Chairman



CONNIE JACOBS, Secretary

RCJ/cj

Note: This meeting was recorded on three (3) 90 minute tapes.