

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
55th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

JOINT SUBCOMMITTEE ON GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Call to Order: By CHAIRMAN ED GRADY, on February 11, 1997, at  
8:03, 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: Rep. Joe Quilici, excused at 8:08

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Cindy Weaver, Legislative Fiscal Division  
Elaine Benedict, Committee Secretary

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted: N/A  
Executive Action: Legislative Branch, Consumer  
Counsel

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IN LENGTH.

EXHIBIT 1. Cindy Weaver, Associate Fiscal Analyst.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

EXHIBIT 2. Clayton Schenck, Legislative Fiscal Analyst.

Motion: REP. JOE QUILICI moved to accept the Executive the  
budget for the Legislative Branch as described in Volume 1 of the  
Governor's Budget and Legislative Budget Analysis, with the  
recommendations worked out between the agencies and leadership as  
shown on Exhibit 2.

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 2.5; Comments: None.}

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 5.1; Comments: None.}

Motion: REP. BOB KEENAN moved to accept language that would express the committee's intent that money remaining in feed bill if the Legislature adjourns early would be made available for fees for Legislative Committees & Activities, including the Pacific Northwest Economic Region. The language would allow the Legislative Council the discretion to determine if money is available and to transfer any remaining money into the program.

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 5.3; Comments: None.}

Non-Committee/Staff participants in discussion:

-Bob Person, Legislative Services Executive Director.

Vote: Motion passed unanimously.

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 7.8; Comments: None.}

#### EXECUTIVE ACTION ON CONSUMER COUNSEL

Motion/Vote: SEN. EVE FRANKLIN moved to accept the accept the budget for Consumer Counsel as presented in Volume 1 of the Governor's Budget and Legislative Budget Analysis. Motion passed unanimously.

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 8.5; Comments: None.}

#### EXECUTIVE ACTION ON LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

Questions/Discussion:

{Tape: 1; Side: A; Approx. Time Count: 9.1; Comments: CONTINUES TO APPROX. TIME COUNT 35.9.}

Non-Committee/Staff participants in discussion:

-Scott Seacat, Legislative Auditor

-Clayton Schenck, Legislative Fiscal Analyst

-Greg Petesch, Legal Services Director, State of Montana Code Commissioner

-Karen Berger, Legislative Branch Fiscal Manager

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 8:38

  
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REP. EDWARD J. "ED" GRADY, Chairman

  
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ELAINE BENEDICT, Secretary

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