

## House Bill 233

### In The House

January 14, 1981	Introduced and referred to Committee on State Administration.
January 23, 1981	Committee recommend bill do pass.
January 24, 1981	Bill printed and placed on members' desks.
January 26, 1981	Second reading do pass.
January 27, 1981	Considered correctly engrossed.
	Third reading passed.

### In The Senate

January 28, 1981	Introduced and referred to Committee on State Administration.
March 11, 1981	Committee recommend bill concurred.
March 13, 1981	Second reading concurred as amended.
March 16, 1981	Third reading concurred as amended.

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March 17, 1981	Returned from Senate concurred as amended.
April 7, 1981	Second reading amendment concurred.
	On motion to take from third reading and hold until the Joint Rules Committee addresses the question. Motion adopted.
April 22, 1981	Third reading amendment concurred. This vote was a constitutional amendment vote and required two-thirds to pass the bill.

April 22, 1981

On motion to reconsider  
the constitutional amend-  
ment vote on the 90th  
legislative day. Motion  
adopted.

April 23, 1981

Third reading amendment  
not concurred.

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 3 *Roth Harold Gregg Barbara Stephens*  
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3 ROTH, BRIGGS, BARDANOUVE, STEPHENS

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March 13, 1981

SENATE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Proposed amendment to House Bill 233, third reading copy, as follows:

1. Page 1, line 24.

Following: "legislature."

Insert: "This committee shall consist of the legislative finance committee as authorized by law, the minority leader of the house of representatives, the minority leader of the senate, the chairman of the state administration committee of the house of representatives and the chairman of the state administration committee of the senate."