

MINUTES
STUDIES COMMITTEE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

November 19, 1991

PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

The Studies Committee of the Legislative Council was called to order by Acting Chairperson Senator Wally Horn at 11:12 a.m. on Tuesday, November 19, 1991, in Senate Room 22 of the State Capitol Building in Des Moines, Iowa. Members present in addition to Chairperson Horn were:

Representative Bob Arnould, Vice Chairperson
Senator Emil Husak
Representative Janet Adams
Representative Clifford Branstad
Representative Mary Lundby
Representative Wayne McKinney, Jr.

Also present were staff members of the Legislative Service Bureau, Legislative Fiscal Bureau, and Caucuses, and other interested individuals.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Chairperson Horn asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the October 16 meeting. Representative Branstad so moved which motion was adopted unanimously. Chairperson Horn noted that the requests before the Committee are listed on the Tentative Agenda for the meeting and that a memorandum pertaining to each request is included in the packet distributed to members. He proceeded to ask members if there were any comments or objections regarding each of the items. Members had comments or objections on only two of the items. In regard to item #5, requesting an additional meeting day for the Improving Government Efficiency and Operations Interim Study Committee, Representative Lundby queried if the Study Committee would also need an extension of its completion date. Representative Arnould suggested language be included in the Committee's recommendations that a deadline extension, if necessary, be granted, provided notice is given to the Legislative Council.

Representative Branstad asked if the Legislative Council would be considering item #7, which proposes the creation of an International Relations Committee of the Legislative Council. Chairperson Horn explained that the proposal for this new

committee contains a charge and tentative timeline for the work of the committee and that the Legislative Council would consider the establishment of this committee if the Studies Committee makes it part of its recommendations.

Chairperson Horn distributed a letter from Representative Neuhauser requesting the establishment of a task force on handguns and offensive weapons. He proposed that the Studies Committee not recommend anything in this regard but would consider for the December meeting, a charge and makeup of such a task force. Representative Lundby asked if the task force would be able to complete its work before the next session of the General Assembly. Chairperson Horn suggested that it would be difficult because of the lateness of the request and the difficulty in scheduling interim committee meetings when the General Assembly is in session.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

Upon completion of the discussion on the task force, Senator Husak moved that the proposed items contained in the agenda be adopted by the Committee. This motion was adopted unanimously. A copy of the Committee's recommendations are attached to and by this reference made a part of these minutes.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, upon motion of Senator Husak, the Committee adjourned at 11:17 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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