

M I N U T E S
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

November 11, 1982

The twentieth meeting of the 1981-1982 Legislative Council was called to order at 1:30 p.m., Thursday, November 11, 1982 in Committee Room 22 of the State House, Des Moines. Council members present were:

Senator Calvin O. Hultman, Chairperson
Speaker Delwyn Stromer, Vice Chairperson
Senator Gary L. Baugher
Senator James E. Briles
Senator C. Joseph Coleman
Senator C. W. Hutchins
Senator John W. Jensen
Senator Lowell L. Junkins
Senator William D. Palmer
Senator Ray Taylor
Senator Dale L. Tieden
Representative Robert T. Anderson
Representative Donald B. Avenson
Representative Richard L. Byerly
Representative John H. Clark
Representative John H. Connors
Representative Lester D. Menke

Other persons present for the meeting were:

Mr. Dennis Prouty, Director, Legislative Fiscal Bureau
Mr. William Angrick, Citizens' Aide
Mr. Serge Garrison, Director, Legislative Service Bureau
Mr. Thane Johnson, Legislative Service Bureau
Ms. Diane Bolender, Legislative Service Bureau

Also present were a number of Iowa legislative staff persons, news media representatives, and other interested individuals.

Senator Briles moved that the minutes of the October 14, 1982 meeting be approved as mailed to Council members, and the motion was adopted. Representative Connors moved that the Legislative Council receive the Educational Leave Report, and the motion was adopted.

Chairperson Hultman called for a report concerning the request made at the October 14 Council meeting that the representatives from the Department of Transportation enforcement officers be contacted to list the specific retirement benefit improvements they desire for their group and that contact be made with the consulting actuaries for an estimate of the cost of the actuarial studies required. Ms. Diane Bolender responded that the DOT enforcement officers had indicated that they desire the same retirement options that are presently provided for Conservation Peace Officers, which

are full retirement benefits at age 60 with 25 years of service rather than at age 65 with 30 years of service. She commented that Ms. Marilyn Farr of Farr Analysts indicated that it will cost about \$650 to perform the actuarial studies. She also noted that \$5,000 was included in the general office appropriation of the Legislative Fiscal Bureau for the current fiscal year for actuarial studies. Representative Stromer moved that the report be accepted and approval be given for Farr Analysts to perform the actuarial study. Representative Connors seconded the motion, and it carried.

Chairperson Hultman called for comments from Mr. Garrison concerning a memorandum which had been distributed to Council members relating to approval of the Bill Drafting Guide. A copy of the memorandum is attached and by this reference made a part of these minutes. Mr. Garrison asked for two changes from the previous format for drafting and preparing bills. He asked that the drafters be allowed the assignment of tentative Code section and chapter numbers so that if a new section would logically fall between two existing sections, it may be assigned an A number. He also asked that when drafting amendments which may contain a number of new sections to a bill, artificial bill section numbers be placed in the amendment in order to avoid problems associated with renumbering of bill sections after all amendments are approved. Senator Taylor moved adoption of the recommendations made by Mr. Garrison for the Bill Drafting Guide. Senator Briles seconded the motion, and it carried.

Chairperson Hultman called for the report of the Service Committee. A copy of the Service Committee report is attached and by this reference made a part of these minutes. Speaker Stromer moved adoption of the Service Committee report. Representative Connors seconded the motion, and it carried.

Chairperson Hultman called for a report of the Administration Committee. Senator Briles noted that the Administration Committee had met during the morning and had reviewed the agenda of the Iowa Legislative Orientation Conference held in 1980. He noted that some topics, such as reapportionment, were eliminated from the agenda and others were moved around to make a more logical presentation of information. He indicated that some of the speakers remain to be selected by the leadership. Mr. Garrison commented that the Orientation Conference will end earlier in the afternoon of the second day than it did two years ago and the various parties' leadership may wish to meet with their members following adjournment of the Orientation Conference. He indicated that all new members and members elected at special elections during the last General Assembly will be invited and will be paid expenses and mileage. He also added that the present members of the General Assembly that appear on the program will be paid per diem, expenses, and mileage. Senator Briles moved adoption of the proposed agenda for the Iowa Legislative Orientation Conference, and the motion carried.

Senator Baugher asked for approval of the Legislative Council for payment of travel expenses and expenses for two out-of-state individuals who attended a meeting of the interim Committee on the Separate Department of Corrections and provided expert testimony to the Committee. He asked for approval for payment of \$827. Senator Palmer moved that the approval be granted, and the motion carried.

Senator Tieden asked for approval for a second meeting day for the Nuclear Fuels Subcommittee of the Committees on Energy and Transportation if one is required after the initial meeting. Senator Junkins moved that the Nuclear Fuels Subcommittee be authorized two extra days if they are needed, and the motion carried.

Chairperson Hultman noted that the December meeting of the Legislative Council includes reports of all interim committees and asked that staff be allowed to give final reports rather than paying per diem and expenses for the chairpersons to come to Des Moines to give the reports. Representative Connors asked whether the committee chairpersons have been consulted about staff giving the reports. Chairperson Hultman responded in the negative. Senator Junkins moved that the chairpersons be contacted and told that it is possible for staff to give the reports, but allow the chairpersons to come and give the reports if they wish. It is understood if the chairpersons attend, they will receive per diem and expenses. The motion carried.

Chairperson Hultman announced that the next meeting of the Legislative Council will be Tuesday, December 21, 1982.

Senator Coleman moved that the decision of the Council to authorize the conducting of actuarial studies for the DOT enforcement officers be reconsidered. He expressed the belief that it is unreasonable for the DOT enforcement officers to ask for full retirement benefits at age 60. Senator Coleman's motion for reconsideration was defeated.

The Legislative Council adjourned at 1:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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