

M I N U T E S

STUDIES COMMITTEE OF THE IOWA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

August 10, 1971

The second meeting of the Studies Committee of the Iowa Legislative Council was called to order by the Committee Chairman, Representative Andrew P. Varley, at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, August 10, 1971, in the Speaker's Room, State House, Des Moines. Members present in addition to Chairman Varley were:

Speaker William H. Harbor
Senator Lee H. Gaudineer, Jr.
Senator Vernon H. Kyhl
Senator Clifton C. Lamborn
Representative Dale M. Cochran

Also present were Serge Garrison and Phil Burks of the Legislative Service Bureau staff, and a number of representatives of the news media and other interested persons.

The Studies Committee had before it a list of proposals for interim activities by various standing committees of the Senate and House of Representatives, as reflected by the attached items headed Proposed Standing Committee Itinerary. Each of these proposals was considered in turn, and the recommendation of the Studies Committee with respect to each proposal is set forth in the attached Report of the Studies Committee Relating to Proposed Standing Committee Itineraries. It will be noted that one item which was received too late for inclusion with the Proposed Standing Committee Itinerary material was also acted upon by the Studies Committee, as shown by item 14 of the Report of the Studies Committee.

After completing action on the proposals of standing committees for interim activities, Chairman Varley stated that the next item of business to come before the Studies Committee was the membership of the special interim study committees previously authorized by the Legislative Council. In response to a question by Senator Kyhl, Mr. Garrison stated that the only holdover interim study committee is the Criminal Code Review Study Committee, which is due to report to the General Assembly in 1972. Chairman Varley commented that the Building Code Subcommittee of the joint standing State Government Committees has indicated that it might need one or two additional meetings during the present interim to work out differences between the two houses on the proposed state building code, but noted that it is a joint standing committee subcommittee rather than a special interim study committee.

Lt. Governor Roger Jepsen entered the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

There was a brief discussion of the ratio of majority and minority party members to be appointed to a special interim study committee. It was noted that the Legislative Council on July 26 had fixed the membership of the seven special interim study committees which were authorized and that one committee would be composed of twelve members, three would be composed of ten members each, and the remaining three would each have eight members. It was agreed that one minority party member from each house should be appointed to each eight-member study committee, and two minority members from each house should be appointed to each of the ten-member study committees and to the twelve-member study committee.

At the suggestion of Senator Gaudineer, it was agreed to recommend to the full Council that the membership of the Penal and Correctional Systems Study Committee be increased from 8 to 10, and that the membership of the Assistance Grant Programs Study Committee be reduced from 10 to 8.

The meeting was recessed for informal consideration of specific appointees to the several interim study committees. The meeting was reconvened at 3:30 p.m., and it was agreed to recommend to the full Council the specific appointments listed on the attached form entitled Membership on Interim Study Committees.

It was further agreed to recommend to the full Council the authorization of two additional meetings for the Building Code Subcommittee of the standing State Government Committees, the subcommittee membership to be as previously constituted during the 1970 interim with the addition of Representative C. Raymond Fisher and Senator W. R. Rabedeaux.

The meeting was adjourned at 4 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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