

**COMMITTEE MINUTES for
ADMINISTRATION AND REGULATION APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE**

Date: January 23, 2008

Place: Room 19

Convened: 1/23/2008
10:05 AM

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Adjourned: 1/23/2008
11:05 AM

Present: Senators Danielson-CH, Appel-VC, Hahn-RM, Hartsuch, Stewart
Representatives Hunter-CH, Kelley-VC, Alons-RM, Drake, Gaskill, M., Jochum, Kressig,
Wienczek, Worthan

Absent: None

Excused: None

The Administration and Regulation Appropriations Subcommittee was called to order at 10:05 a.m. on January 23, 2008.

Roll was taken and quorum was present.

Iowa Secretary of State Michael Mauro appeared before the subcommittee to present two issues of concern. The budget proper of 3 million dollars annual, and the updating of election equipment to coincide with Federal Regulations anticipated for the year 2010.

Secretary Mauro requested an additional 300,000 dollars to fund office salaries and postage. To adhere to state legislation passed last year requiring paper trails for all elections, Secretary Mauro suggested a statewide move to a uniform optical scanning operating system. In order to accomplish this, Secretary Mauro estimated a cost of 9 million dollars for the new equipment.

Co-Chair Sen. Danielson stated the goal should be to implement a uniform system allowing for the mandated paper trails, while incurring minimal costs where possible. Sen. Danielson also requested that Secretary Mauro's office identify new funding sources if possible.

Sen. Jochum moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:05 a.m.

Senator Jeff Danielson

Joe Winn, Committee Secretary