

\*House Committee\*

## COMMITTEE MINUTES for STATE GOVERNMENT

Date: *March 3, 2010* Location: *Rm 103, Supreme Court Chamber*

Convened: *4:10 PM*

Recessed: *5:30 PM*

Reconvened: *6:15 PM*

Adjourned: *6:25 PM*

Attendance Roll Call:

Present: Representatives Mascher-CH, Beard-VC, Struyk-RM, Abdul-Samad, Cohoon, Drake, Frevert, Gaskill, Isenhardt, Kaufmann, Koester, Lensing, Pettengill, Quirk, Raecker, Rants, Roberts, Running-Marquardt, Schulte, Taylor, T., Willems

Absent:

Excused:

The meeting was called to order by Chair Mascher at 4:10 pm. Attendance was taken. A quorum was present. Minutes of the 3-1-10 meeting were approved as printed. The following Bills were assigned: [SF 2354](#) - Cohoon CH, Beard, Struyk [SF 2353](#) - Lensing CH, Mascher, Pettengill There was unanimous consent to assign the following additional Bill: [SF 2329](#) - Lensing CH, Taylor, T., Pettengill Chair Mascher recognized Rep. Cohoon for Opening Remarks on [SF 2354](#). Chair Mascher recognized Rep. Cohoon for Opening Remarks on Amendment 1853 to [SF 2354](#). Discussion was held. Chair Mascher recognized Rep. Cohoon for Closing Comments on Amendment 1853. Rep. Cohoon moved Amendment 1853. Amendment 1853 to [SF 2354](#) passed unanimously by Voice Vote. Chair Mascher recognized Rep. Cohoon for Opening Remarks on Amendment 1825 to [SF 2354](#). Discussion was held. Chair Mascher recognized Rep. Cohoon for Closing Comments on Amendment 1825. Rep. Cohoon moved Amendment 1825. Amendment 1825 to [SF 2354](#) passed unanimously by Voice Vote. Chair Mascher recognized Rep. Isenhardt for Opening Remarks on Amendment 1768 to [SF 2354](#). There was unanimous consent to withdraw Amendment 1768. Chair Mascher recognized Rep. Isenhardt for Opening Remarks on Amendment 1834 to [SF 2354](#). There was unanimous consent to withdraw Amendment 1834. Chair Mascher recognized Rep. Cohoon for Closing Comments on [SF 2354](#) as amended. Rep. Cohoon moved [SF 2354](#) as amended. Roll Call: 21 Ayes 0 Nays All those present voted aye. [SF 2354](#) passed by constitutional majority and will move to the House Floor for Debate as a Senate Bill. Chair Mascher recognized Rep. Running-Marquardt for Opening Remarks on [SF 2215](#). Chair Mascher recognized Rep. Running-Marquardt for Opening Remarks on

Amendment 1878 to [SF 2215](#). Discussion was held. Chair Mascher recognized Rep. Running-Marquardt for Closing Comments on Amendment 1878. Rep. Running-Marquardt moved Amendment 1878. Amendment 1878 passed unanimously by Voice Vote. Discussion was held. Chair Mascher recognized Rep. Running-Marquardt for Closing Comments on [SF 2215](#) as amended. Rep. Running-Marquardt moved [SF 2215](#) as amended. Roll Call Vote: 20 ayes 0 nays 1 absent - Rants All those present voted aye. [SF 2215](#) as amended passed by constitutional majority and will move to the House Floor for Debate as a Senate Bill. There was unanimous consent to consider [SF 2329](#). There was unanimous consent to move to a subcommittee of the whole. Chair Mascher recognized Rep. Lensing for Opening Remarks on [SF 2329](#). Discussion was held. Chair Mascher recognized Rep. Lensing for Closing Comments on [SF 2329](#). Rep. Lensing moved [SF 2329](#). [SF 2329](#) passed unanimously by Voice Vote. There was a motion to arise from a subcommittee of the whole to a committee of the whole. Chair Mascher recognized Rep. Lensing for Closing Comments on [SF 2329](#). Chair Lensing moved [SF 2329](#). Voice Vote: 20 ayes 0 nays 1 absent - Rants All those present voted aye. [SF 2329](#) passed by constitutional majority and will move to the House Floor for Debate as a Senate Bill. There was unanimous consent to consider [SF 2217](#). Chair Mascher recognized Rep. Quirk for Opening Remarks on [SF 2217](#). Chair Mascher recognized Rep. Quirk for Opening Remarks on Amendment 1878 to [SF 2217](#). Discussion was held. Chair Mascher recognized Rep. Quirk for Closing Comments on Amendment 1878. Amendment 1878 passed unanimously by Voice Vote. Discussion was held. Chair Mascher recognized Rep. Quirk for Closing Comments on [SF 2217](#) as amended. Rep. Quirk moved [SF 2217](#) as amended. Roll Call Vote: 16 ayes 4 nays 1 absent Ayes: Mascher, Beard, Struyk, Abdul-Samad, Cohoon, Drake, Frevert, Gaskill Isenhardt, Kaufmann, Koester, Lensing, Quirk, Running-Marquardt, Schulte, Taylor, T., Willems Nays: Kaufmann, Pettengill, Raecker, Roberts Absent: Rants [SF 2217](#) as amended passed by constitutional majority and will move to the House Floor for Debate as a Senate Bill. Chair Mascher recessed the meeting at 5:30 p.m. Chair Mascher reconvened the meeting at 6:15 p.m. There was unanimous consent to consider [SF 2353](#). Chair Mascher recognized Rep. Lensing for Opening Remarks on [SF 2353](#). Discussion was held. Chair Mascher recognized Rep. Lensing for Closing Comments on [SF 2353](#). Rep. Lensing moved [SF 2353](#). Roll Call Vote: 19 ayes 0 nays 2 absent All present voted aye. Absent: Raecker, Rants [SF 2353](#) passed by constitutional majority and will move to the House Floor for Debate as a Senate Bill. Chair Mascher recognized Rep. Struyk who thanked the entire Committee for their ability to effectively work together and reach compromises to produce good pieces of legislation. Chair Mascher recognized Vice-Chair Beard who praised the work of the Committee and those who assisted him. Ending the Committee's work with a shared laugh is a testament to

the kind of cooperative bipartisan work that was accomplished. Rep. Isenhardt indicated that the process we used for the government reorganization work was truly a work of art and a model for other committees. Chair Mascher indicated she received many compliments from others on the work. Rep. Mascher concluded by thanking everyone for their bipartisan leadership in working together and their ability to listen to each other. She complimented the Committee for doing the "heavy lifting" on the government reorganization bill and being part of the biggest reorganization effort in the history of state government. Rep. Willems moved adjournment at 6:25 p.m.

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Representative Mary Mascher

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Mary Ann Ahrens, Committee Secretary