



# MINUTES

## International Relations Committee of the Legislative Council

May 3, 2001

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### MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Bill Fink  
Senator Gene Fraise  
Senator Jack Holveck

Representative Willard Jenkins, Cochairperson  
Representative Jack Drake  
Representative Jane Greimann  
Representative Vicky Lensing

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## MEETING IN BRIEF

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### **I. Committee Business.**

**Call to Order and Adjournment.** The meeting was called to order by Temporary Chairperson Willard Jenkins at 12:05 p.m. in Room 24 of the Statehouse and was adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

**Election of Chairperson.** Representative Drake moved that Representative Jenkins be elected Chairperson of the International Relations Committee for the 79<sup>th</sup> General Assembly. The motion was approved unanimously.

### **II. American Council of Young Political Leaders Dinner.**

Ms. Stacie Maass, House Republican Caucus Staff, provided the Committee with information regarding the upcoming visit of a delegation of visitors from Greece and Turkey through the American Council of Young Political Leaders (ACPYL). The visitors will be in Iowa from Wednesday, May 9, 2001, through Sunday, May 13, 2001. Ms. Maass asked the Committee to consider hosting a dinner for the ACPYL delegation. Representative Greimann offered to host the ACPYL delegation at her home in Ames. The Committee approved an expenditure of up to \$500 for payment of the costs of the dinner.

### **III. Expenses.**

Chairperson Jenkins discussed the issue of approval of expenses associated with international visitors. Ms. Diane Bolender, Legislative Service Bureau, reviewed the policy, approved by the Legislative Council, that provides for use of moneys available pursuant to Code section 2.12 in the amount of \$15,000 for each two-year period for the hosting of international visitors. The policy provides that expenditures must be approved by the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson of the Committee. The Committee determined that an expenditure report regarding the moneys used be provided to the Committee every six months. Additionally, the Committee agreed that the Chair and Vice Chair should approve expenditures and that large expenditures, those of \$1,000 or more, should be approved by the Committee. The Chairperson and Vice Chairperson will also inform leadership of each house of projected expenditures related to the hosting of international visitors prior to the visit and the current practice of receiving approval of leadership for actual expenditures will continue.

### **IV. Future Meetings.**

The Committee discussed meetings during the interim. The Committee determined that meetings would be held in conjunction with Legislative Council meetings.

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