

R E P O R T

of the

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE
to the
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

July 6, 1979

The Legislative Council's Administration Committee met at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, July 6, in the Speaker's Conference Room, with Director of General Services Stanley McCausland, Chief Justice Ward Reynoldson and other members of the Iowa Supreme Court and Iowa Court of Appeals, Treasurer of State Maurice Baringer, Mr. Robert Brammer, representing the Attorney General's office, Code Editor Wayne Faupel and Deputy Phyllis Barry, Chief Clerk of the House Dave Wray and Secretary of the Senate Frank Stork, as well as a number of other interested persons. Plans for reassignment and renovation of space in the State House during the balance of the current calendar year were discussed.

Mr. McCausland stated that all of the fixtures and equipment needed to allow occupancy of the new Hoover Office Building are now on hand. Accordingly, it is anticipated that both the portion of the Secretary of State's staff now housed on the ground floor of the Capitol and the Attorney General's office will shortly begin moving into the Hoover Building. It is hoped that these moves can be completed by early August, and Mr. McCausland said that without question they can be completed by Labor Day.

Present plans call for retention of the Women's Rest Room on the north side of the west ground floor corridor, nearest the west (loading dock) door. The area next to the Women's Rest Room, now occupied by the Secretary of State, will become the new State House mail room, and another room on the north side of the west corridor, nearest the present cafeteria area, will become a press room. The balance of the area now occupied by the Secretary of State on the ground floor is to be turned over to the Judicial Branch in due course, to be used as the new quarters of the Supreme Court Clerk, however Mr. McCausland indicated he has agreed to assign this space for use by the Governor's Economy Committee until it completes its work, probably in October or November. Neither the planned press room nor the temporary use of the remainder of the ground floor area now occupied by the Secretary of State are contemplated by the January, 1978 space allocation agreement to which the Legislative and Judicial branches, Mr. McCausland and Treasurer Baringer are parties.

A related problem concerns plans for renovating existing air conditioning arrangements so that the ground and first floor areas of the northeast and southeast Capitol Building quadrants are tied into the Capitol Complex chilled water loop, and are properly air conditioned with respect to the new uses and arrangements of these spaces.

Under the procedures which Mr. McCausland has assumed should be followed, a high proportion of the anticipated cost of this project would be allocated to the Judicial Branch, since that Branch will occupy much of the space to be served. If this arrangement were followed under existing circumstances, the funds appropriated to the courts for renovation of their assigned areas in the Capitol would be almost entirely used for this purpose alone.

Since it will not be possible to take bids on the proposed air conditioning work much if any before January 1, 1980 in any case, and since a part of the areas in the building to be served are occupied or to be occupied by the General Assembly, it is recommended by the Administration Committee that the Legislative Council underwrite the cost of planning for this system pursuant to its authority under section 2.43 of the Code to expend money to make preparations for the next session of the Legislature. An appropriation can then be made by the 1980 Session for the actual cost of the system, and work can begin expeditiously on the planning for the system.

It is also recommended that the remainder of the space in the Legislative Fiscal Director's Conference Room, used during the 1979 Session as a committee meeting room, be assigned to the Legislative Fiscal Director for use by the Program Evaluation Division of the Fiscal Bureau, and that as this assignment will result in the loss of a committee room, the new committee rooms on the first floor each be considered joint committee rooms.

Chief Clerk Wray and Senate Secretary Stork have been asked to determine what steps will be necessary to permit use of the ground floor areas now occupied by the Attorney General, and also by Treasurer Baringer's private office, as legislative committee rooms during the 1980 Session.

A subcommittee of the Administration Committee, composed of Representative John Clark as Chairperson, and Senators Briles and Junkins, has been appointed to consider and make a recommendation with respect to the relocation of the office of the Code Editor, which is now housed in part of the area to be used by the new Judicial Branch offices and chambers.

Mr. McCausland reported that the cost of installing five Pyro-Exit fire escape units for the upper floors of the Capitol Building will be \$59,700. He has been asked to report to the Legislative Council on this matter.

REPORT OF THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON EDUCATIONAL LEAVE

The Subcommittee on Educational Leave met on June 13, 1979 and discussed the current law relating to educational leave. It was decided that before the Subcommittee makes any recommendations, it should consult with members of the State Comptroller's office relating to the practices of executive departments in establishing standards for granting educational leave. Pursuant to such decision, the director of the Legislative Service Bureau met with Mr. Eldon Sperry and Mr. Jim Anderson of the State Comptroller's office and Mr. Sperry agreed to survey Iowa executive departments on behalf of the Subcommittee and did submit some material which has in the past been used by the Comptroller's office as standards for granting educational leave.

In addition, the director was instructed to survey other states in regard to their practices and as of July 6, 1979 there have been 26 responses but they have not yet been tabulated or summarized.

The Subcommittee will continue its study with the goal of making a report to the Council during the fall.

Respectfully submitted,

SENATOR WILLARD HANSEN

Chairperson

REPORT OF THE
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL COMMITTEE
TO THE
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

July 6, 1979

The Legislative Fiscal Committee met in Room 22, July 5, 1979.
Members present were:

Representative Richard W. Welden, Co-chairperson
Senator William D. Palmer
Senator John Scott
Senator Ray Taylor

The Fiscal Committee recommends the following visitation schedule
be approved by the Legislative Council:

Education Visitation Committee - 7 days
Human Resources: Visitation Committee - 3 days
 *Services for Elderly Study Committee - 2 days
Natural Resources Visitation Committee - 3 days
Social Services Appropriations Subcommittee - 6 days
State Government Visitation Committee - 3 days
Transportation & Law Enforcement Visitation Committee - 2 days

The Regulatory and Finance Subcommittee will not be meeting during the interim. However, House File 764 mandated an Interim Search Committee to investigate all viable alternatives concerning a liquor warehouse facility. This committee is to be composed of eight members of the Joint Regulatory and Finance Appropriations Subcommittee and time allotted for this study is not under the Legislative Fiscal Committee.

Thom Freyer, who has been reassigned to the Program Evaluation Division of the Fiscal Bureau, presented an outline of the Program Evaluation Division Proposal. (A copy of this proposal is on file in the office of the Legislative Fiscal Bureau.)

* The composition of this committee would be three members from the Social Services Appropriations Subcommittee and three members from the Human Resources Appropriations Subcommittee of each house. A total committee of twelve--all of whom would be members of the Human Resources Standing Committee.

R E P O R T
of the
STUDIES COMMITTEE
to the
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

July 6, 1979

The Studies Committee met at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, July 6, and completed its work for the day following a noon hour recess. The Committee recommends:

1. That the membership of the various interim study subcommittees and committees heretofore authorized by actions of the General Assembly or the Legislative Council be as indicated by the lists prepared by the leadership of the Senate and the House of Representatives, and submitted with this report.
2. That the chairpersons of the standing Committees on Transportation be requested to use the statutory authority for those committees to hold a one-day meeting during the interim, for the purpose of considering various current problems in the area of transportation which are likely to come before the 1980 Session--which, it is suggested, include the increasing use of mopeds, the threatened abandonment of the Milwaukee Railroad's trackage in Iowa, the need for suitable barge tieup sites along the Mississippi River, and the shortage of diesel fuel for commercial use--and reporting to the Council what further work in any of these areas seems indicated during the 1979 interim.
3. That a special interim study committee on corrections be authorized, to be composed of five members of each house drawn from the standing Committees on Human Resources and Judiciary and the Social Services Appropriation Subcommittee and appointed by the Speaker of the House and Majority Leader of the Senate.

The Studies Committee considered, but did not recommend approval of, requests for authority for additional interim studies in the areas of family law, moped regulation, and water law.