

Meeting was called to order at 11:00 A.M.

Present: Wooster, Hilbrecht, White, Dungan, Swackhamer, Kean, Lowman, Schouweiler, Torvinen.

Absent: None

Mr. Wooster expressed his desire that the minutes include records of all actions taken at the meeting. Copies of minutes to be furnished to the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Mr. Kean, and any others who might wish to have them.

Mr. Wooster then passed out copies of committee rules used in the 1965 session and they were discussed. Mr. Wooster suggested adding a "C" to No. 2 as follows: "To amend or add to these rules". Mr. Hilbrecht suggested leaving out the last line of paragraph 4.

Mr. Torvinen moved to adopt the committee rules with the two amendments.  
Mr. White seconded  
Motion was passed unanimously

Mr. Wooster reviewed 23 bills which had been given to him by Russ McDonald to be introduced by the Committee on Judiciary. He said that 13 of the bills were to correct "word errors" that had crept into general law. Four bills were proposals by the Legislative Counsel, having to do with uniform gifts to children, obscenity performances, etc. Two bills are technical changes in the Uniform Commercial Code and four bills are a result of special court decisions, to replace or change laws that have been ruled on by the Supreme Court.

Mr. Hilbrecht moved that the 23 bills be submitted as committee bills.  
Mr. Lowman seconded  
Motion passed unanimously

AB 1: Concerns the poll tax removal. Mr. Wooster said he would like to get this bill through early and make it retroactive to Jan. 1, 1967, to avoid re-payment of monies which would be collected in January otherwise and would be expensive to return. He said this bill implements action taken by the people at the last election.

Mr. Swackhamer moved Do pass AB 1.  
Mr. Hilbrecht seconded  
Motion passed unanimously

Mr. Wooster said it was his intention to get action going on the new criminal code as soon as possible. He said he should have a bill on it Thursday.

Mr. Swackhamer suggested checking up on the possibility of having a joint introduction with the Senate, joint hearings, etc.. Mr. Torvinen expressed his preference for introducing it from the Assembly if it is all right with the Senate. Mr. Wooster said he would check these things with Mr. McDonald.

Question was asked as to why the criminal code was revised. Mr. Swackhamer said that the early parole bill was passed with the provision that the whole code would be put up for study. The Early Parole Bill will be taken off the books with the new code. The new code is patterned after Federal sentences and also after the Illinois code.

Mr. Kean asked if the differences occurring in dollar values was taken into consideration with the revision of the old criminal code. Mr. Wooster said they tried to standardize all these things.

Mr. Wooster said that the legislators should definitely start work on this bill as it will involve so much time and work.

Miss Dungan asked if hearings could be held on this bill in Las Vegas. Mr. Swackhamer said if this were done there would be requests from all over the state for similar hearings.

The chairman announced there would be a meeting of the Committee on Judiciary on Thursday, Jan. 19, at 11:00 A.M.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 A.M.

RULES OF PROCEDURES-----COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY  
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1. A quorum of the Committee will consist of 5 members.
2. A majority of the entire Committee (5 members) will be required in order for action on a measure before the Committee. Such actions would be:
  - A. To pass out or hold a bill
  - B. To amend a bill
  - C. To amend or add to these rules
3. Six votes will be required to bring a matter previously disposed before the Committee for reconsideration. This includes matters disposed in the absence of a member. However, in event of excused absence, the member may request a matter be held over until he is present.
4. The Chairman will call and conduct all hearings and meetings of the Committee.