SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

MINUTES



January 20, 1971

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Monroe at 10:10 a.m.

Committee Members present: Chairman Monroe

Senator Close Senator Dodge Senator Foley Senator Swobe Senator Wilson Senator Young

Guests: Esther Nicholson - League

of Woman Voters

Press representatives

There was a general discussion of the Judiciary Committee Rules prepared by the chairman. It was decided that a quorum would consist of four (4) members. Senator Dodge pointed out the fact that Rule #5 should include a statement referring to the fact that a majority is needed to pass a bill out. An ammendment was added to Rule #5.

Senator Dodge brought up a point on Rule #6 regarding filing a minority "do pass" or "do not pass" report. He felt that if a member is strongly opposed to the decision of the committee, he should file a minority report, especially if he intends to speak against the decision of the committee, whether for or against, in the Senate. Chairman Monroe suggested that the member might announce his intention to speak against the committee's decision to the committee, and announce to the Senate that he had advised the committee of his intention to oppose their decision. This would create a better feeling of unity. No definite action was taken.

Senator Swobe made a motion to approve the rules. The motion was seconded and carried.

Senator Swobe suggested we have a joint hearing with the Assembly on the Abortion Bill since it was already introduced in the Assembly. Senator Young suggested that we might do the same with the Evidence Code Bill. Chairman Monroe will try to contact Frank Daykin, formerly of the Legislative Council, and schedule a joint hearing on the Evidence Code Bill.

The meeting adjourned at 10:36 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen Wynkoop, Secretary

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