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JUDICIARY COMMITTEE  
January 18, 1977  
9:10 a.m.

Members Present: Chairman Barengo  
Mr. Price  
Mr. Coulter  
Mr. Sena  
Mrs. Hayes  
Mr. Ross  
Mr. Polish  
Mr. Banner

Members Absent: Mrs. Wagner

Guests Present: Mr. Joe Ward, Intern for Mr. Barengo  
Mrs. Linda Chandler, Steno

This meeting was called to order by Mr. Barengo at 9:10 a.m. Mr. Barengo stated that the purpose of this meeting was basically, to organize and to adopt a set of Committee Rules. A copy of the 1975 Committee Rules was introduced into Committee. Mr. Price noted Rule 7, second sentence, regarding the recording of members leaving and re-entering the room. He further stated that if an outsider were reading the minutes and it was not indicated as to the reasons for the person leaving (in many cases to go to other meetings), they might be critical of this coming and going process. Mr. Barengo agreed on this point and further stated that the entire sentence should be deleted. Mr. Barengo also stated that it is his personal feeling that no action should be taken when someone is excused from the committee room; that he prefers to take testimony and at a later date consider same with his committee people and then vote on it. He stated that some people in the audience prefer to have action taken immediately, but, he prefers to wait. After considerable discussion on changing Rule 7 of the Committee Rules, it was amended as can be noted on the attached Exhibit A. Mr. Sena moved to adopt the 1975 rules for the Judiciary Committee for 1977. Mr. Banner seconded the motion, unanimously passed.

Mr. Barengo mentioned that as soon as he gets copies of the bills, the committee will begin to schedule the hearings.

Mr. Barengo introduced his intern from Las Vegas, Mr. Joe Ward. He then introduced his secretary, Anne Peirce.

There was discussion as to types of legislation that will come before this committee. Mr. Barengo stated that he knows the governor plans to propose more strict child abuse laws.

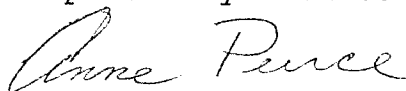
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Mr. Barengo then stated that he has a package of proposed legislation from the District Attorneys Association. He further stated that he knows of two (2) marijuana bills coming up, that of Kosinski's and Goodman's.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:27.

Respectfully submitted,



Anne Peirce, Assembly Attache

ASSEMBLY

- AGENDA FOR COMMITTEE ON.....JUDICIARY.....

Date. Tues., Jan. 18..... Time. 9 A.M. Room. 240.....

Bills or Resolutions  
to be considered

Subject

Counsel  
requested\*

Organization meeting.

\*Please do not ask for counsel unless necessary.



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1. A quorum consists of at least five (5) Committee members.
2. It will require at least a quorum to hear a bill.
3. Action on a bill will require a majority vote of the entire Committee.
4. All motions shall require a second. An affirmative vote of two-thirds of the entire Committee will be required to reconsider an action on a bill.
5. The Committee members shall address the chair at all times for permission to be heard or to question witnesses.
6. Committee bill introduction shall be by affirmative vote of six members. Committee introduction does not imply a commitment on the part of any member to support the bill.
7. The secretary of the Committee shall note at each meeting and record in the minutes the members present and the members absent.
8. The secretary shall record the majority vote by the number of "aye" votes and the minority vote by the names of the members voting "no".
9. When the Chairman is not present the Vice Chairman shall conduct the meeting.
10. Any decision of the Committee will not be made until all witnesses have been heard, questioned and dismissed. No vote shall be taken in the presence of any witness. The Chairman shall determine when a final action is to be taken.
11. Mason's Manual shall be followed in parliamentary matters.
12. A minority report may be filed with the Chief Clerk at the same time as the Committee action is reported. A minority report must be signed by all Committee members filing such minority report.
13. All person wishing to testify will be sworn in before testimony. This rule was adopted by the committee on March 25, 1977 in lieu of passage of AB 311. There will be a sign posted in the committee room which states. "Pursuant to NRS 218.535, this is a formal meeting of the Nevada State Legislature and every person who appears will be sworn before giving testimony."