# Senate

## HUMAN RESOURCES AND FACILITIES

JANUARY 16, 1979

The meeting was called to order in Room #323 at 10:15 am on Tuesday, January 16, 1979 with Senator Keith Ashworth in the Chair.

PRESENT: Chairman Keith Ashworth

Vice-Chairman Joe Neal Senator Wilbur Faiss Senator Jim Kosinski

ABSENT: Senator Rick Blakemore

Senator Clifton Young

Chairman Ashworth opened the meeting with the introduction of the Committee Secretary, Roni Ronemus. The first item on the agenda was a discussion of Committee Rules (see <u>Exhibit A</u>). Each rule was discussed individually and there was no objection to Rule #1 and Rule #2. Vice-Chairman Neal questioned on Rule #3 why there should be more votes to reconsider than what are needed to pass. Chairman Ashworth stated once a motion is made to kill the bill, enacted by four votes, one more vote is necessary to reconsider the There was no objection to Rule #3, Rule #4, Rule #5 and As to Rule #7, there was discussion as to length of time a bill could be held. Chairman Ashworth pointed out that under Rule #5, once consideration on a bill was requested, the bill could only be held for four days. He further stated that it was his intention to hold testimony on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday with Thursday and Friday for an administrative session. Kosinski pointed out that with action taken at the call of the Chair, it is possible a vote could be called when the members of the committee were unaware. Chairman Ashworth stated he had no intention of doing that and presented the Bill Action Form (see Exhibit B). It was also noted that Rule #7 is the same rule used in the 1977 session of this committee with the exception that the votes be recorded by name. As to the Bill Action Form, Chairman Ashworth stated that the secretary will keep a file on every bill considered by the committee and this information is available to every member of the committee.

> Senator Kosinski: Motion to Adopt Committee Rules Senator Faiss: 2nd the Motion

The Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Ashworth stated the committee would also alternate the pros and cons on a given subject. Meeting times would be 10 am every morning until the work load dictates earlier meetings. Changes as to time will be made by personal contact with each member by the Chairman or the Committee Secretary.

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Chairman Ashowrth stated that the bills presented for introduction would be brought back tomorrow as under the Rules, there are not enough members present for introduction. Senator Kosinski spoke briefly regarding the bill presented to the Chair on permitting evaluations of the operation of the Division of Mental Hygiene and Retardation by outside sources and requested scheduling a hearing on the bill as soon as possible. Chairman Ashworth agreed.

There was a brief discussion on the type of minutes to be taken with Chairman Ashworth stating that as the minutes are fully recorded, there being no objections, he would like the minutes as brief as possible with the salient points noted. Senator Kosinski expressed concern as to if the secretary would know what the salient points are. Chairman Ashworth suggested assisting the secretary in that regard. Sheba Frost, Supervisor-Senate Steno Pool, stated that under Senate Rules, if a member wishes to have something noted verbatim in the minutes, the individual need only to say they would like this "for the record" and it will be transcribed verbatim.

There being no further business, Senator Kosinski moved to adjourn with Senator Faiss seconding. Chairman Ashworth adjourned the meeting at 10:45 am.

Sen. Keith Ashworth, Chairman

Roni Ronemus, Secretary

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## COMMITTEE RULES - 60TH SESSION

# HUMAN RESOURCES & FACILITIES COMMITTEE

- 1. Four members constitute a quorum of the committee.
- 2. Motions will be moved, seconded, and passed by a simple majority of those present, except that action ("DO PASS" or "INDEFINITELY POSTPONE") on a bill will require a majority of the entire committee.
- 3. In order to reconsider previous action taken, an affirmative vote of five members of the committee will be required.
- 4. Mason's Manual will be followed as to parliamentary procedure.
- 5. Any member of the committee may request an item on the agenda by contacting the committee chairman four days ahead of the committee meeting.
- 6. Committee bill introduction will be only by approval of five committee members. Committee introduction does not imply in any way a commitment on the part of any committee member to support the bill introduced.
- 7. Motions for action by the committee will be taken only at the call of the chairman or in accordance with Rule 5 above. Such votes will be recorded by name in the minutes of the meeting.

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