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MONTANA CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

STATE CAPITOL • HELENA, MONTANA 59601 • TELEPHONE 406/449-3750

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Place of Meeting: Room 434

Date Meeting Held: 2/2/72
Hour Meeting Held: 11 a.m.

Committee Chairman: Magnus Aasheim

MINUTES OF THE FIFTEENTH LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

SUBJECT OF MEETING: Worksheet Items

Roll Call:

Magnus Aasheim, Chairman
Jerome T. Loendorf, V. Chairman
Grace Bates
Daphne Bugbee
Jerome J. Cate
George Harper
Torrey B. Johnson
Robert Lee Kelleher
John H. Leuthold
Richard A. Nutting
Arlyne E. Reichert
Mae Nan Robinson
Miles Romney
Carman Skari

Present

Present

Present

Present

Present

Present

Present

Present

Present

Present

Present

Present

Present

Present

INTERESTED PERSONS TESTIFYING:

Name

Occupation or Title

None

February 2, 1972
11 a.m.

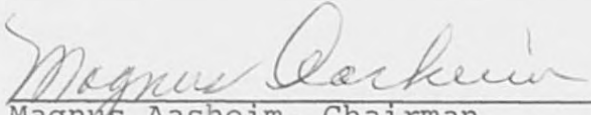
Chairman Aasheim called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken. The committee discussed their worksheet consensus of opinion. Questions were noted which the committee was going to ask the legislators appearing at the afternoon committee meeting.

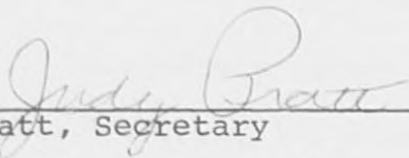
It was decided to talk about Section 28 under Miscellaneous of the worksheet.

It was decided to consider Section 7 at a later date.

Suggestions pertaining to the veto (filed hereafter) were discussed. It was decided to look into the conditional veto.

Time of recess: 12:00.


Magnus Aasheim, Chairman


Judy Pratt, Secretary

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LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Place of Meeting: Room 434

Date Meeting Held: 2/2/72
Hour Meeting Held: 1:30 p.m.

Committee Chairman: Magnus Aasheim

MINUTES OF THE FIFTEENTH LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING CONTINUED FROM MORNING SESSION

SUBJECT OF MEETING: Legislators' Views

Roll Call:

Magnus Aasheim, Chairman	<u>Present</u>
Jerome T. Loendorf, V. Chairman	<u>Present</u>
Grace Bates	<u>Present</u>
Daphne Bugbee	<u>Present</u>
Jerome J. Cate	<u>Present</u>
George Harper	<u>Present</u>
Torrey B. Johnson	<u>Present</u>
Robert Lee Kelleher	<u>Absent</u>
John H. Leuthold	<u>Present</u>
Richard A. Nutting	<u>Present</u>
Arlyne E. Reichert	<u>Present</u>
Mae Nan Robinson	<u>Present</u>
Miles Romney	<u>Present</u>
Carman Skari	<u>Present</u>

INTERESTED PERSONS TESTIFYING:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Occupation or Title</u>
1. Earl Moritz	Senator, Lewistown
2. Gordon McOmber	Senator, Fairfield
3. Dave Manning	Senator, Hysham
4. Glen Rugg	Senator, Plevna
5. Carroll Graham	Senator, Lodge Grass
6. Stan Stephens	Senator, Havre
7. J. O. Asbjornson	Representative, Winifred
8. Michael Greely	Representative, Great Falls
9. Tom Harrison	Representative, Helena
10. Oscar Kvaalen	Representative, Lambert
11. J. D. Lynch	Representative, Butte

February 2, 1972
1:30 p.m.

Chairman Aasheim called the meeting to order.

It was the sense of the committee to delete Section 31. (3 against)

The committee decided to discuss Section 35 at a later time.

*It was the sense of the committee to delete Section 36. (5 against)

Legislators appearing before the committee at 2 p.m. were: Senators Earl Moritz, Carroll Graham, Gordon McOmber, Glen Rugg, Stan Stephens, and Dave Manning. Representatives appearing were: J. D. Lynch, Tom Harrison, Oscar Kvaalen, Mike Greely, and J. O. Asbjornson.

The chairman told the legislators of some of the ideas that the committee had reached. Each legislator discussed the size of the legislature. Questions and answers followed. The legislators spoke on the length of terms of legislators. Legislators expressed their views on qualifications of legislators, residency requirements, and if they felt a person should be a resident of the district in which he is running. The legislators expressed their views on reapportionment and single-member districts versus multi-member districts.

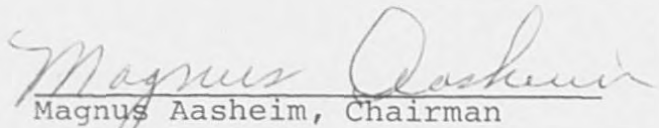
Following a short recess the following legislators spoke in favor of a bicameral system: Kvaalen (testimony filed hereafter), Stephens, McOmber (testimony filed hereafter), Lynch, Rugg, Graham, and Manning.


Representatives Harrison and Greely spoke in favor of a unicameral system.

Questions and answers followed.

The legislators were asked ways in which the legislature could be improved or changed. Discussion followed. All seemed to agree that the legislature needed more time in which to function.

Time of adjournment: 6 p.m.


Magnus Aasheim, Chairman


Judy Pratt, Secretary