

House Judiciary Committee Meeting
Monday, January 21, 1963

The House Judiciary Committee met in joint session with the Senate Judiciary Committee in Room 523 at 11:45 A.M. with Chairmen Clyde Hill, Judiciary Committee, and Glee S. Smith, Senate Judiciary Committee, presiding. Fifteen members of the House Judiciary Committee were present. Members Arthur, Cram, Fatzer, Smith and Tillotson were absent.

Senator Smith read the proposed amendment to Section 60-247 of the bill for revision of the Code of Civil Procedure now being considered by both committees: line 5, by striking out the word "may" after the word "or" and inserting in lieu thereof, the word "shall;" by deleting the remainder of the paragraph beginning with the phrase "In the latter event," line 6.

There was a great deal of discussion concerning Section 60-251, Instructions to jury. Senator Smith suggested it be amended as follows: placing a period after the word "presented," line 9 and deleting the remainder of the paragraph. Motion made by Senator Harbough and seconded by Senator Ball. Motion carried.

Representative Crossan moved that it be further amended by placing a period after the word "argument," line 6 and deleting the remainder of the paragraph. The motion was seconded by Representative Edwards. Motion lost.

Chairman Hill suggested that the bill be considered by the two Judiciary Committees separately.

Senator Smith agreed and stressed to the committees that they should attempt to keep the amendments down to a minimum.

Representative Skoog stated that he had several points in mind which should be considered very carefully.

Senator Smith again stressed the point of keeping the amendments down to a minimum and brought forth the question of which committee should introduce the bill. It was agreed that the bill should be introduced as a Senate bill.

Chairman Hill requested the members of his committee remain a few minutes after the adjournment of the joint session. The meeting adjourned at 12:15 P.M.

Chairman Hill asked the members of his committee how they would prefer considering this bill. It was suggested that they take the shorter articles first. Articles 5, 6, and 7 will be considered when the committee meets in Room 523 at 8:30 A.M. Tuesday, January 22, 1963.

Respectfully submitted,
Clyde Hill, Chairman

Minutes approved: