

STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
February 27, 1968

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman who stated that H.B. 2057 would be considered first. Mr. Carmen appeared to explain what the bill proposed to do. He stated that it combines four subdivisions and becomes a part of the Economic Development Commission; that it takes in the office of technical assistance, urban and community affairs and some of the governor's special assistants. He stated that it would coordinate the functions into a single department. Mr. Kessinger inquired about the fiscal note and Mr. DeCoursey advised that According to Mr. Bibb no expense was anticipated by this combination. Mr. Fribley stated that it was his understanding that it would coordinate all grant programs (federal, state and local) under one umbrella and that it would then be possible to look at all these programs and eliminate duplication. He then moved that HB 2057 be recommended for passage. Motion was seconded by Mr. Turner and carried unanimously.

The Chairman called for action on HB 2063; and Mr. Turner stated that in addition to the proposed amendments already discussed that he had one being prepared concerning laundry procedures and the color of sheets; that now the larger hotels and motels are sometimes using a certain color of sheet for a certain size of bed, but that he can offer this on the floor. Mr. McGill stated that he believed the amendments proposed to stagger the terms of the board members and assure continuity was good, and moved the adoption of the amendments to do this. Motion was seconded by Mr. Fribley and carried unanimously. Concerning the makeup of the board, Mr. McGill stated he believed there should be a balance among the different categories and moved the adoption of the amendment that would do this. Motion was seconded by Mr. Turner and carried by a vote of 12 yes and no opposition. Mr. Lindahl expressed concern about the requirement of modern facilities in restaurants, stating that small communities have a very difficult time and since there is no central sewer system many times that small communities may find themselves without any place to get something to eat. Mr. McGill stated there is a grandfather clause to take care of those now in existence, until the place should change hands or be extensively remodeled, at which time they would have to come up to standard too. Mr. Turner stated this is "an anti-outhouse bill." Mr. Buchele moved to report the bill favorably, and his motion was seconded by Mr. Andrews. Mr. Lindahl again protested and Mr. McGill stated that if the industry doesn't do something like this the Board of Health is going to step in and do it for them. Upon vote the motion carried 15 to 1.

A secret ballot was called for on HB 2040; however, Mr. Unruh requested that he be placed of record as voting in favor

of the bill. Upon tally, the bill was killed by a vote of 11 adversely and 7 favorably.

The Chairman asked for action on HCR 1063, and stated if the resolution is passed the Committee should also pass HB 1848 because it would be necessary to the resolution. Mr. Brown moved that HCR 1063 be recommended for adoption. Motion was econded by Mr. Andress and carried with a vote of 16 yes and no opposition. Mr. Turner called attention that HCR 1074 amends the same section and asked if a wedding could be arranged; that it would allow the county commissioners to serve 6 years instead of four. The Chairman stated that he opposed the combination of anything else into this resolution. Mr. Rogers stated that regardless of how commendable it might be of increase the Commissioners terms, he was afraid it might defeat this thing and would oppose any combination. Mr. Mikesic called attention to the fact that many of the present legislators were in the House when the promise was made to the Treasurers that if they would withdraw from the sheriff's resolution that they would have their chance; that he wouldn't want to hurt their chances. Mr. Ford stated that he would oppose any combination. Mr. Turner stated that he would "fall back". Mr. Rogers moved that HCR 1074 be reported adversely. Motion was seconded by Mr. Ford and carried 13 to 1. Thereupon, Mr. Ford moved that HB 1848 be recommended for passage. Second was by Mr. Brown and carried by a vote of 14 to 1, with Mr. Unruh explaining that we didn't do this for the sheriffs.

HCR 1065 was considered, which proposes to move the voting age from 21 to 18. Mr. Fribley moved that the resolution be recommended for adoption. Mr. Unruh made a substitute motion that it be not recommended. Motion was seconded by Mr. Doyen and carried 9 to 6.

HCR 1014, dealing with printing the present law and its proposed amendment in its entirety was discussed. Mr. McCray moved that it be recommended for adoption. Motion was seconded by Mr. Boyer and after discussion, carried 5 to 2.

Mr. Fribley moved that HCR 1015 be recommended adversely. Motion was seconded by Mr. Ford, and carried 9yes and no opposition.

Meeting was adjourned.