

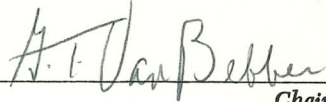
MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL AND STATE AFFAIRS

Held in Room 510, at the Statehouse at 2:45 ~~xxx~~ a.m./p.m., on February 19, 1975.

All members were present ~~except~~

The next meeting of the Committee will be held at 2:45 ~~xxx~~ a.m./p.m., on February 20, 1975.

These minutes of the meeting held on February 18, 1975 were considered, ~~corrected~~ and approved.



Chairman

The conferees appearing before the Committee were:

Mr. Bud Grant, Executive Director, Economic Development,
Commerce and Industry

Mr. Russ Mills, Research Department

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman who stated that the Committee would be considering Executive Reorganization Order No. 7, and introduced Mr. Bud Grant who stated that his association has had policies for many years supporting economic development, and have been in favor of upgrading staff and providing additional funds for operation; that he thinks the Governor's re-organization order speaks to both of these things and felt the state would benefit to follow the order.

Mr. Russ Mills then explained, section by section, what the order proposes to do and what 74-5010, the 1971 law establishing KDED, offered, and further, discussed some of the ways the order would change the present KDED.

Mr. Marshall stated that he believed the Governor's order allowed the Minority Business enterprise to use only federal funds and he felt it should be funded instead of being an enterprise in name only. The Chairman stated that if the Governor set up a director for that section it would appear that he must have funded it, at least with staff. Mr. Marshall felt this had not been done. Mr. Feleciano stated that he believed there was a fiscal note for this in his message.

Mr. Rodrock inquired if a fiscal note could be available at time of committee discussion tomorrow, and staff agreed to try to get some information. Mr. D. Miller inquired if the present employees are classified or patronage, and Mr. Mills stated he believed that in general they were classified. Mr. R. Miller stated some things are being eliminated which are presently handled in the department; that this would make it difficult to get a meaningful fiscal note. Mr. Morris stated that he would not want tourism neglected. Mr. R. Miller stated that for example aviation is going to be transferred to the Department of Transportation.

Mr. Mills pointed out that one of the changes would be that at the present time the Commission is the policy making body, whereas under

re-organization, the Secretary would be the policy making head and the Commission would be advisory.

The Chairman stated that this would be discussed at the meeting tomorrow and an effort made in the meanwhile to secure additional information. He then called for action on S.B. 142.

It was moved by D. Miller and seconded by Mr. Hayes that S.B. 142 be recommended for passage. Motion carried by a majority vote, with Mr. Anderson requesting to be recorded as abstaining because of a possible conflict of interest.

It was moved by Mr. Ward and seconded by Mr. D. Miller that the minutes of the meeting held February 18th be approved. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned.