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MINUTES OF THE House COMMITTEE ON Appropriations

The meeting was called to order by Bill Buntin at
Chairperson

1:30 ~~am~~/p.m. on Tuesday, January 12, 1988 in room 514-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representatives Ott and Hoy (both excused)

Committee staff present: Diane Duffy, Legislative Research
Ellen Piekalkiewicz, Legislative Research
Ed Ahrens, Legislative Research
Jim Wilson, Revisors Office
Sharon Schwartz, Administrative Aide
Sue Krische, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Chairman Buntin called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. and noted that the Legislative Research staff will be reviewing the Governor's budget recommendations in the next three to four weeks so that committee requests of the staff should be kept to a minimum whenever possible.

Ed Ahrens, Chief Fiscal Analyst, introduced Ellen Piekalkiewicz and Diane Duffy, Legislative Research, who will be staffing House Appropriations this session.

Chairman Buntin welcomed Representative Vern Williams as the newest member of the Committee and announced that Representative Fuller will be chairman of Subcommittee No. 3.

Chairman Buntin reviewed the policy that the House Appropriations Committee does not accept social invitations as a Committee from special interest groups to whom the Committee appropriates money, and Representative Mainey concurred with this policy.

Subcommittee assignments were distributed to the Committee and the Chairman highlighted several changes in assignments. In addition, Chairman Buntin identified four special topics that he requested specific subcommittees to study in depth prior to consideration by the full Committee: (1) KAPE Longevity Pay Plan - Representative Fuller's subcommittee; (2) Highway Patrol Pay - Representative Lowther's subcommittee; (3) Judicial Pay - Representative Ott's subcommittee; and (4) Cabinet Secretary Incentives - Representative Chronister's subcommittee. The Chairman reviewed possible future agenda items and encouraged members to advise him if they have other suggestions. The Committee will be advised next week of the deadlines when the appropriations bills must be out of Committee.

The Committee authorized the Chairman to introduce the Governor's appropriation bills in the House and have them referred back to the Committee for consideration.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.