

Approved February 27, 1989  
Date

MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

The meeting was called to order by SENATOR AUGUST "GUS" BOGINA at  
Chairperson

11:10 a.m. on FEBRUARY 20, 1989 in room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Senator Winter who was excused

Committee staff present:

Research Department: Diane Duffy, Kathy Porter

Revisor: Norman Furse

Committee Staff: Judy Bromich, Pam Parker

Conferees appearing before the committee:

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman announced that he and Senator Johnston were the Subcommittee members assigned for the Homestead Property Tax portion of HB 2029.

#### MINUTES

Senator Harder moved, Senator Doyen seconded, the approval of the minutes from the February 13, 14 and 16, 1989 meetings. The motion carried.

#### SB 27 -- Appropriations for FY 1990, judicial branch, judicial council and state board of indigents' defense services

Senator Salisbury reviewed the subcommittee report for FY 1989 and FY 1990 regarding the Judicial Council and the State Board of Indigents' Defense Services. Senator Harder reviewed the subcommittee report for FY 1989 and FY 1990 regarding the Judicial Branch. In answer to a question regarding the recommendation to grant each justice and judge of the Judicial Branch an additional two percent base salary increase in FY 1990, staff stated that the current starting judges salary is \$60,978.

Concern was expressed regarding judges salaries being tied to the KCC, Board of Tax Appeals, and Parole Board salaries. Senator Feleciano moved, Senator Kerr seconded, to amend the subcommittee report by recommending the introduction of legislation decoupling the Judge's salaries from those salaries presently tied to the court salaries by statute. Following discussion, the motion carried.

Senator Harder moved, Senator Gaines seconded, to reformat SB 27 by dividing the appropriations into more than one item. The motion carried.

Senator Harder moved, Senator Salisbury seconded, to adopt the subcommittee report regarding SB 27 -- the judicial branch, judicial council and the state board of indigents' defense services, as amended. The motion carried.

Senator Harder moved, Senator Allen seconded, to report SB 27, as amended, favorably for passage. The motion carried on a roll call vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.