

Rules and Administration Committee
Wednesday, January 8, 2003
Room 123 State Capitol
10:00 a.m.

Members Present: Chair, Senator John Hottinger, Senator Rest, Senator Belanger, Senator Berglin, Senator Cohen, Senator Day, Senator Dille, Senator Frederickson, Senator Kiscaden, Senator Knutson, Senator Langseth, Senator Larson, Senator Marty, Senator Metzen, Senator Olson, Senator Pappas, Senator Pariseau, Senator Pogemiller, Senator Ranum, Senator Sams, Senator Stumpf, Senator Vickerman

Members Absent: Senator Dean Johnson, Senator Neuville

Senator Hottinger called the committee meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. Quorum was present.

Senator Hottinger introduced Patrick Flahaven, Secretary of the Senate and Peter Wattson Senate Counsel to go through the resolutions (1-9)

Patrick Flahaven and Peter Wattson go through the legislation and answer questions from members of the committee.

Senator Rest moves a verbal amendment on Resolution #9, lines 2 and 22, delete “, living and telecommunication”. Motion was adopted..

Senator Rest moves Resolutions 1-9. Motion was adopted.

Senator Day discusses and distributes Handout #1. See attached.

Senator Hottinger introduced Karen Veninga, Director of Human Resources, to go through Policies 1-7. She went through the documents and answered questions from the members of the committee.

Peter Wattson, Senate Counsel testified before the committee and answered questions from the members of the committee.

Patrick Flahaven, Secretary of the Senate testified before the committee and responded to questions from members of the committee.

Senator Rest moved the Confidentiality of Communication Policy. Motion was adopted.

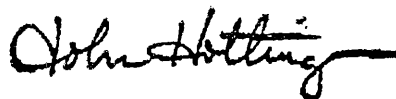
Senator Rest moved the Salary Range Handout. Motion was adopted.

Senator Rest moves a verbal amendment to the Roster Handout on Brooke DiSanto (5 down on the list) delete \$35,186 and insert \$35,634. Motion was adopted.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:46 a.m.



Brooke DiSanto
Legislative Assistant



John Hottinger
Senator

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A committee resolution

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relating to mileage and living expenses incurred by members of the Senate.

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BE IT RESOLVED, by the Committee on Rules and Administration:

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1. Each member of the Senate who resides more than 50 miles from the state

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capitol shall be reimbursed for necessary travel in going to and returning from the place of

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meeting to the member's place of residence for each trip during the 83rd Legislature. Mileage

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for travel by automobile must be at the rate of 36 cents per mile, or any greater or lesser

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amount authorized by the Internal Revenue Service for employees. Mileage for travel by

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private aircraft must be at the rate of 55 cents per mile. Commercial airfare must be the

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actual cost.

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2. Each member of the Senate shall be paid per diem living expenses for meals,

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incidental expenses, and lodging in an amount up to \$66 for each calendar day during the

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sessions of the 83rd Legislature.

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3. In addition to per diem living expenses, each member of the Senate who

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resides more than 50 miles from the state capitol shall be reimbursed up to \$900 per month

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for actual lodging expenses during the sessions of the 83rd Legislature. The total

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reimbursement for those members, per diem plus lodging, may not exceed the amount per

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legislative day allowed by the Internal Revenue Service for an accountable plan.

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4. Each member of the Senate shall certify in writing to the Secretary of the

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Senate for the actual travel and living expenses for which the member seeks reimbursement.

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5. The Secretary of the Senate shall prepare and issue warrants from the Senate

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legislative expense fund in payment of expenses to each member of the Senate.