

**MINUTES OF COMMERCE & REVENUE
APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE**

February 16, 1998 - 2:00 P.M.
Room 414, State Capitol Building

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Al Mansell, Co-Chair
Rep. Lowell A. Nelson, Co-Chair
Sen. Eddie Mayne
Rep. Eli H. Anderson
Rep. Duane Bourdeaux
Rep. Beverly Ann Evans
Rep. John E. Swallow
Rep. John L. Valentine

MEMBERS ABSENT: Sen. Lorin Jones
Rep. Christine R. Fox-Finlinson

STAFF PRESENT: William J. Greer, Fiscal Analyst
Sylvia Newton, Committee Secretary

VISITORS LIST: Attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Sen. Mansell called the meeting to order at 2:15 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Anderson moved to approve the minutes for the February 11, 1998 meeting. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Jones, Rep. Evans, Rep. Fox-Finlinson, and Rep. Valentine absent for the vote.

Fees for the Department of Insurance were outlined by Bill Greer, Fiscal Analyst. There are three additional areas where fees are being assessed and one area that had been left off last year's list. (See Attachment I)

MOTION: Rep. Anderson moved to accept the fees for the Department of Insurance as listed. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Jones, Rep. Evans, Rep. Fox-Finlinson, and Rep. Valentine absent for the vote.

Intent Language:

Mr. Greer presented some additional proposed Intent Language for the following departments: (See Attachment II)

Tax Commission
Department of Commerce
Department of Workforce Services

MOTION: Rep. Anderson moved to accept the Intent Language as outlined. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Jones and Rep. Fox-Finlinson absent for the vote.

FY 1998 Supplemental Appropriations:

The Analyst has recommended supplemental appropriations for the Alcoholic Beverage Control as follows:

Opening of a new store and expansion of several others require additional staff. Partial year funding in the amount of \$266,900 is recommended.

Technology upgrades to continue the projects begun in FY 1997 and Point-of-Sale Wide Area Network charges: (See Attachment III)

\$643,800
\$320,000
\$ 57,000

The Analyst recommended an additional supplemental appropriation for the Department of Workforce Services. This is a shift of funds between Workforce Services line items for FY 1998. An amount of \$1,500,000 is being taken out of the Client Services line item and transferred to the State Regional Operations line item. The funds will be used for child care administration.

MOTION: Rep. Evans moved to accept the Supplemental Appropriation recommendations for FY 1998 as proposed. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Jones and Rep. Fox-Finlinson absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Nelson moved to accept the proposed Additional Appropriation Recommendation for FY 1999 Ongoing Funding as follows:
\$ 46,000 for a Labor Commission Anti-Discrimination Agent; and
\$135,100 for the Comprehensive Health Insurance Pool

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Jones, Rep. Bourdeaux, and Rep. Fox-Finlinson absent for the vote.

MOTION: Rep. Valentine moved to accept all the budgets that have been approved, together with what has been approved at this meeting, and make them final. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Jones, Rep. Bourdeaux, and Rep. Fox-Finlinson absent for the vote.

Rep. Anderson moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:30 p.m. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Jones, Rep. Bourdeaux, and Rep. Fox-Finlinson absent for the vote.

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Sen. L. Alma Mansell, Co-Chair

Rep. Lowell A. Nelson, Co-Chair