

**MINUTES OF THE
NATURAL RESOURCES APPROPRIATIONS SUB-COMMITTEE**

February 9, 1998 - 2:00 P.M.

Room 305, State Capitol

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sen. Alarik Myrin, Co-Chair
 Rep. Evan L. Olsen, Co-Chair
 Sen. Joseph Hull
 Rep. Craig W. Buttars
 Rep. James R. Gowans
 Rep. Tom Hatch
 Rep. Dennis H. Iverson
 Rep. Michael R. Styler
 Rep. Jordan Tanner
 Rep. Daniel H. Tuttle

MEMBERS ABSENT: Sen. Craig Peterson
 Rep. Melvin R. Brown

STAFF PRESENT: Stephen Ogilvie, Fiscal Analyst
 Jean Holyoak, Committee Secretary

VISITORS: Attached to and made a part of these minutes

Rep. Evan Olsen called the meeting to order at 2:15 p.m. Sen. Alarik Myrin mentioned that the meeting scheduled with Fleet Operations at 4 p.m. today was canceled. He reported that Fleet Operations agreed not to charge the extra fees that were the problem for DNR.

Mr. Cary Peterson, Commissioner, Department for Agriculture and Food, reported on the status of the Department and introduced members of the staff. Those present were Dr. Michael Marshall; Lydia Concepcion; Renee Matsuura; Sue Mounteer; Mike Bodenchuk; Kyle R. Stephens; and Larry Lewis. Mr. Peterson noted two primary areas where the Department needed funding: (1) they need funding for another veterinarian; and (2) funding for geographic information system technical support. He also requested that Rep. Brad Johnson address the Committee on soil conservation.

Mr. Stephen Ogilvie presented the Analyst's budget recommendations for the Department of Agriculture and Food. The Analyst's recommendation is \$13,581,300, which includes \$8,177,600 from the General Fund..

MOTION: Rep. James Gowans made a motion to tentatively accept the Analyst's budget recommendations and highlight monies for another veterinarian and funding for the geographic information system technical support as well as soil conservation. The motion passed unanimously. Absent for the vote were Reps. Hatch, Tanner and Tuttle.

MOTION: Rep. Craig Buttars made a motion to tentatively adopt the fee schedule as outlined by the Analyst. The motion passed unanimously. Absent for the vote were Reps. Hatch, Tanner and Tuttle.

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Upon motion by Rep. Dennis Iverson, the minutes were approved unanimously. The Committee noted that they would be meeting on Wednesday, February 11 and the meeting scheduled for Friday, February 13 would be canceled.

Motion to adjourn was made by Rep. Michael Styler. The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Rep. Evan Olsen, Co-Chairman

Sen. Alarik Myrin, Co-Chairman