

**MINUTES OF THE SENATE JUDICIARY  
STANDING COMMITTEE  
Thursday, February 15, 2001  
Room 416, STATE CAPITOL BUILDING**

Members Present: Sen. David L. Gladwell, Chair  
Sen. Millie M. Peterson  
Sen. Pete Suazo  
Sen. D. Chris Buttars  
Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard  
Sen. John L. Valentine

Staff Present: Jerry D. Howe, Committee Analyst  
Deborah Pryor, Committee Secretary

Public Speakers Present:  
Rick Schwermer, Administrative Office of the Court  
Able Ortiz,  
Gary Holt, Focus  
Wayne Soerle, Private Attorney  
Ronald Gordon, Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice  
Dave Walsh, Governors Office of Planning Budget

Visitors list on file

Committee Chair Gladwell called the meeting to order at 8:10 a.m.

1. **1<sup>st</sup> Substitute H.B. 252 Judiciary Amendments** (*A. L. Tyler*)  
Rep. Tyler explained the bill. Mr. Rick Schwermer, Administrative Office of the Court, discussed issues raised by the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Peterson moved to pass 1<sup>st</sup> Substitute H.B. 252 out favorably.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Buttars and Sen. Suazo absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Sen. Hillyard moved to put 1<sup>st</sup> Substitute H.B. 252 on the Consent Calendar.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Buttars and Sen. Suazo absent for the vote.

**MOTION:** Sen. Peterson moved to approve minutes of February 13, 2001

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Suazo absent for the vote.

2. **H.B. 188 Juvenile Courts- Rights of Parties** (*M. Thompson*)  
Rep. Thompson explained the bill. Mr. Gary Holt, Focus, and Mr. Wayne Soerle, Private Attorney, spoke in favor of the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Valentine moved to go to the last item on the agenda.

The motion passed unanimously.

**3. H.B. 258 Criminal Sentencing Amendments (*S. Daniels*)**

Rep. Daniels introduced Ronald Gordan, Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice, who explained the bill. Mr. Gary Holt, Focus, discussed issues raised by the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Peterson moved to pass H.B. 258 out favorably.

The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Hillyard and Sen. Valentine absent for the vote.

**4. H.B. 82 Payment for Bailiff and Other Services in Courts of Record (*J. Seitz*)**

Rep. Seitz explained the bill. Mr. Rick Schwermer, Administrative Office of the Court and Mr. Dave Walsh, Governors Office of Planning Budget, discussed issues raised by the bill.

**MOTION:** Sen. Valentine moved to place H.B. 82, Payment for Bailiff and Other Services in Courts of Record, on the Interim Study List.

**SUBSTITUTE MOTION:** Sen. Peterson moved to add a section providing for an effective date of July 1, 2002.

The substitute motion passed with Sen. Gladwell, Sen. Peterson, and Sen. Suazo voting in favor of the motion and Sen. Buttars, Sen. Hillyard, and Sen. Valentine voting in opposition.

**MOTION:** Sen. Valentine moved to place S.B. 82 on the Master study resolution.

The motion passed unanimously.

**MOTION:** Sen. Peterson moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Sen. Gladwell adjourned the meeting at 5:15.

Minutes recorded by Deborah Pryor, Secretary

