

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
LEGISLATIVE RULES

March 14, 1995 Hearing Room 50
4:00 p.m. Tapes 22-23

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rep. Ray Baum, Chair
Rep. Lee Beyer, Vice-Chair
Rep. Tony Corcoran
Rep. Peter Courtney
Rep. Lynn Lundquist
Rep. Bill Markham
Rep. Patti Milne
Rep. Lonnie Roberts

MEMBERS EXCUSED:

Rep. John Watt

STAFF PRESENT:

Cathryn Epley, Committee Administrator
Cynthia Charrey, Committee Assistant

MEASURES HEARD:

SJR-7 - Work Session
HB 2150 - Public hearing and Work Session
HB 2844 - Work Session
HB 2872 - Work Session
HJR 40 - Work Session
HJR 41 - Work Session

These minutes contain materials which paraphrase and/or summarize
statements made during this session. Only text enclosed in quotation marks

report a speaker's exact words. For complete contents of the proceedings,
please refer to the tapes.

TAPE 22, Side A

003 CHAIR BAUM: Calls the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

OPEN WORK SESSION ON SJR7

Witnesses: Michael O. Leavitt, Governor, State of Utah
Senator Rod Johnson, District 23
Senator Ron Cease, District 10
Senator Jeannette Hamby District 5

007 CATHRYN EPLEY, COMMITTEE ADMINISTRATOR: Gives an overview of SJR7

013 MICHAEL O. LEAVITT, GOVERNOR, STATE OF UTAH: Testifies in support of
SJR7.

080 GOVERNOR LEAVITT: Continues to testify in support of SJR7

150 GOVERNOR LEAVITT: Testimony continues: This must be nonpartisan or the
idea will not work. It must be only be a coalition of states.

188 CHAIR BAUM: What are the states which have agreed to the Conference?

190 GOVERNOR LEAVITT: Lists the states which have voted to support the Conference.

201 REP. COURTNEY: Who makes up the steering committee?

203 GOVERNOR LEAVITT: The steering committee is made up of the chairman & vice chairman of each committee.

254 SENATOR ROD JOHNSON, DISTRICT 23: Testifies in support of SJR7. Submits possible amendments for SJR7. (Exhibit C)

306 SENATOR JOHNSON: Continues to testify in support of SJR7.

366 REP. ROBERTS: Will all the states send the same number of delegates?

380 SENATOR JOHNSON: Yes.

Tape 23, Side A

(Due to technical difficulties this portion of the testimony is inaudible on the audio cassette record. What follows are the notes taken by the assistant)

003 SENATOR RON CEASE, DISTRICT 10: Testifies in support of SJR7.

036 REP. MARKHAM: Will the delegation have individual votes?

040: SENATOR JOHNSON: No. The delegation will have one vote.

042 CATHRYN EPLEY: Gives an overview of the -3 amendments to SJR7.

063 REP. MARKHAM: Has the number of delegates changed?

071 SENATOR JOHNSON: No.

100: REP. COROCAN: What subjects would you to take to this conference?

107 SENATOR JOHNSON: The only subject before this convention is power of the states.

184 SENATOR JEANNETTE HAMBY, DISTRICT 5: Testifies in support of SJR7.

206 CHAIR BAUM: On the -1 amendment, can you change lines.....thru....Can we move that portion of that amendment.....

226 SENATOR HAMBY: The -4 amendments are only that change.

262 MOTION: REP. COURTNEY: Moves to ADOPT the SJR7-1 amendments.

268 VOTE: CHAIR BAUM: Hearing no objection the amendment is ADOPTED. REP. WATT is EXCUSED.

289 MOTION: REP. BEYER: Moves that SJR7, AS AMENDED, be sent to the Floor with a DO PASS recommendation.

299 VOTE: In a roll call vote, REPS. COURTNEY, LUNDQUIST, MARKHAM, ROBERTS, BEYER and BAUM vote AYE. REP. CORCORAN votes NAY. REP. WATT is EXCUSED.

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CHAIR BAUM: The motion CARRIES.

REP. ROBERTS will lead discussion on the Floor.

CLOSES WORK SESSION ON SJR7

OPENS PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 2150

310 CATHRYN EPLEY: Gives an overview of -1 amendment to HB 2150.

CLOSES PUBLIC HEARING ON HB 2150

OPENS WORK SESSION ON HB 2150

Witnesses: Phil Keisling, Secretary of State

335 MOTION: REP. COURTNEY: Moves to ADOPT the HB 2150-1 amendments
338 VOTE: CHAIR BAUM: Hearing no objection, the amendments are ADOPTED.
REP. WATT is EXCUSED.

350 PHIL KEISLING, SECRETARY OF STATE: Testifies in support of HB 2150.
(Exhibit D)

Tape 22, Side B

005 PHIL KEISLING: Continues to testify in support of HB 2150.

009 REP. BEYER: Do you believe if we make the changes you propose it will
save money?

016 PHIL KIESLING: Yes. Vote by mail alone will save five million dollars
over four years.

039 REP. BEYER: Wouldn't combining school board elections with presidential
primary increase voter turn out?

041 PHIL KIESLING: The school district election we propose will occur in odd
numbered years.

046 REP. BEYER: Is there any reason we wouldn't want to do this?

049 PHIL KIESLING: You might lose some of the savings.

069 REP. CORCORAN: How do you achieve a savings by moving a presidential
primary to March?

075 PHIL KEISLING: Responds with two scenarios on how HB 2150 would work.

122 CHARLES STERN, YAMHILL COUNTY CLERK, OREGON ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES:
Testifies on HB 2150.

138 REP. BEYER: The cost is now absorbed by the counties?

143 CHARLES STERN: That is correct.

CLOSES WORK SESSION ON HB 2150

OPEN WORK SESSION ON HB 2844, 2872, HJR 40 & HJR 41

Witnesses: Ramona Kenady, Chief Clerk of the House
Jim Scherzinger, Legislative Revenue Office
Representative Bill Fisher, District 45

195 CHAIR BAUM: Outlines, for the record, the session reorganization plan
he favors. Questions committee members which plan they prefer.

234 REP. BEYER: I would favor either plan.

246 RAMONA KENADY, CHIEF CLERK OF THE HOUSE: Testifies on session
reorganization.

280 RAMONA KENADY: Continues to testify.

326 REP. MARKHAM: What is intense interim, exactly?

341 RAMONA KENADY: Explains "intense interim".

350 REP. COURTNEY: When are you going to go into session?

371 RAMONA KENADY: In September.

392 REP. COURTNEY: Will each committee meet all day?

398 RAMONA KENADY: It would depend on the work load.

Tape 23, Side B

012 REP. ROBERTS: Explains why he favors annual session.

022 REP. MARKHAM: What is an intense interim?

027 JIM SCHERZINGER, LEGISLATIVE REVENUE OFFICE: Testifies on session reorganization, focusing on "intense interim".

064 REP. LUNDQUIST: We need to make it as easy as possible for lay people to participate in the system. There also needs to be a time frame to look at the major issues. I like the idea of annual session.

096 REP. BILL FISHER, DISTRICT 45: Testifies on his plan for session reorganization.

121 REP. FISHER: Testimony continues.

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222 REP. LOKAN: Testifies on her ideas for session reorganization.

248 REP. FISHER: Offers assistance in working out a compromise plan for session reorganization.

257 CHAIR BAUM: Adjourns meeting.

Submitted by, Reviewed by,

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY:

- A - Testimony on SJR7, Submitted by Gwen Mayfield - 1 page
- B - Testimony on SJR7, Submitted by Rod Staab - 11 pages
- C - Testimony on SJR7, Submitted by Senator Rod Johnson - 5 pages
- D - Testimony on HB 2150, Submitted by Phil Keisling, Secretary of State - 2 pages

