

MINUTES OF THE SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Senator Vratil at 9:36 a.m. on March 6, 2002 in Room 123-S of the Capitol.

All members were present.

Committee staff present:

Gordon Self, Revisor
Mike Heim, Research
Mary Blair, Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Senator Barbara Allen
Senator Rip Gooch
Charles Simmons, Secretary, Department of Corrections (DOC)
Mike Murray, Sprint, Direct Marketing Association (DMA)

Others attending: see attached list

The minutes of the March 5th, 2002 meeting were approved on a motion by Senator O'Connor, seconded by Senator Adkins. Carried.

SB 559—concerning drivers licenses and other identification cards

Senator Allen reviewed SB 559 and the balloon amendments.(attachment 1) Following discussion Senator Adkins moved to amend the bill, Senator Schmidt seconded. Carried. Following further discussion Senator Adkins moved to pass the bill out favorably as amended, Senator Goodwin seconded. Carried with Senator Pugh requesting his nay vote be recorded.

SB 339—concerning persons in custody of DOC; re: early medical release

Secretary Simmons presented a comparison of SB 339 provisions with those of the DOC's alternative proposal.(attachment 2) Following discussion Senator Oleen moved to offer a substitute bill with the amendment proposed by the DOC, Senator O'Connor seconded. Carried. At the request of the Chair, Senator Gooch expressed his "misgivings about the way the bill will be moved forward." He stated that while he felt changes to the original bill were good, he believes the incarcerated person should be able to make application for a medical release.(no attachment) Following further discussion, Senator Haley moved to recommend the bill favorably for passage, Senator Goodwin seconded. Carried.

SB 296—consumer protection; concerning unsolicited consumer telephone calls

SB 538—no-call database to prohibit unsolicited consumer telephone calls and prohibited acts related thereto

Senator Adkins presented a review of SB 296 and SB 538 comparing the differences and similarities in each.(no attachment) Conferee Murray reviewed the DMA's amendments to SB 296 which he stated addresses concerns expressed earlier by opponents of the bill.(attachment 3) Following discussion, Senator Donovan moved to amend SB 296 as recommended by the DMA, Senator O'Connor seconded. Carried. Following further discussion, Senator Adkins moved to amend SB 538 into SB 296, Senator Goodwin seconded. Carried on a vote of 5-4. Following further discussion, Senator Adkins moved to report Sub for SB 296 out favorably for passage, Senator Goodwin seconded. Carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:31 a.m. The next meeting is March 7, 2002.