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MEMBERS PRESENT:

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Chairman Bremner

Vice Chairman Hickey

Mr. Bergevin

Mr. Brady

Mr. Coulter

Mr. Glover

Mrs. Hayes

Mr. Horn Mr. Marvel

Mr. Rhoads

Mr. Robinson Mr. Vergiels

Mrs. Westall

OTHERS PRESENT:

Bill Bible, Fiscal Analyst; Judy Matteucci,

Deputy Fiscal Analyst; Mike Alastuey,

Deputy Budget Director; Bob Gagnier, SNEA

Chairman Bremner called the meeting to order at 4 p.m.

Chairman Bremner announced that the Assembly and Senate Subcommittees on Classified Salaries had met and reached a tentative agreement. He asked Mr. Bible to report on the meeting.

Mr. Bible said the two subcommittees agreed to recommend to the full committees a proposal to provide an 8 percent increase plus \$100.00 per month per individual effective January 1, 1981, plus an 8 percent CPI effective January 1, 1982. In addition, the two subcommittees recommended special salary adjustments of 5 percent for correctional officers and mental health technicians. The total cost of this proposal would be \$35.2 million.

Chairman Bremner said the subcommittees also agreed to go with each other on the definition of correctional officers and mental health technicians to include all correctional officers recommended by Senate Finance and all nurses and mental health technicians recommended by Ways and Means.

Mr. Glover stated he did not believe the pay increase was sufficient. Chairman Bremner said that he and Mr. Marvel shared this opinion but it was the best compromise that could be reached.

Mr. Marvel moved to accept the subcommittee's report on classified salaries. Seconded by Mr. Rhoads and carried. Mr. Hickey did not vote because of a possible conflict of interest.

Mr. Gagnier requested the committee to send a letter of intent to the State Personnel Division stating that the special salary adjustments for correctional officers and mental health technicians should be given first.

Mr. Marvel moved to approve the letter of intent requested. Seconded by Mr. Glover and carried.

Mr. Bible said that a conference committee had reached agreements in various budgets that were still outstanding and reported these agreements to the committee as follows:

Office of the Controller: To go with the Senate position and indicate to the Controller that he is to report back to the next session of the legislature with a list of those accounting positions within state agencies that can be eliminated through the implementation of this particular program.

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Department of Economic Development: To go with the Assembly's position.

Public Works Board: To restore the Mechanical and Electrical Engineer in the first year of the biennium and go with the Assembly position on reducing expenditures by 20 percent in the second year of the biennium.

Desert Research Institute: To go with each other to fund the weather modification in the Ruby Marsh area for the first year of the biennium at \$50,000; however, there is a possibility of a reversion of between \$15,000 and \$30,000 on one of the projects. Also, to eliminate one of the projects that would be funded from the General Fund during the course of the biennium.

Education State Programs: No recommendation since legislation is still under consideration.

Displaced Homemakers: To go with the Assembly position.

Post Secondary Education: No recommendation because of pending legislation.

Innovative Grant Project: No agreement that this project should
be funded at this time.

Aging Services: No recommendation since A.B. 157 is under consideration.

Henderson Mental Health Center: No recommendation since this is still outstanding and needs to be reviewed with the subcommittee.

<u>Department of Prisons:</u> Senate will go with the Assembly recommendation in all areas except the education programs since it requests restoration of these programs. In addition, the Senate wants passage of the \$100,000 for the prison dairy program.

<u>Public Service Commission</u>: Senate will meet the Assembly on positions halfway and discuss operating items later.

Honor Camps: No unresolved problems.

Department of Energy: Partial restoration of some of the positions but not to current levels.

REHABILITATION ADMINISTRATION

Chairman Bremner asked Mr. Robinson to report the subcommittee's recommendation.

Mr. Robinson said the subcommittee was firm on deleting the Personnel Analyst and they recommend restoring the Rehabilitation Support Analyst. Four Senior Accountants are being retained.

Discussing the Rehabilitation Office, Mr. Robinson said the Assembly will go with the Senate and restore the Hawthorne office. Two positions from the Nevada State Prison Office servicing Minden-Gardnerville will be deleted. The Special Program Coordinator will also be deleted in exchange for restoring the Chief of Vocational Rehabilitation and the Assistant Chief.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

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