

2009 SENATE APPROPRIATIONS

SCR 4001

2009 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Bill/Resolution No. SCR 4001

Senate Appropriations Committee

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Hearing Date: 01-20-09

Recorder Job Number: 7348

Committee Clerk Signature

Rose Lanning

Minutes:

V. Chair Bowman called the committee hearing to order at 3:34 pm in regards to SCR 4001.

Sheila Sandness, Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Council

Sheila Sandness: I am appearing neither for nor against the bill. I am here to present Senate

Concurrent Resolution 4001 as a concurrent resolution authorizing the Budget Section of the

Legislative Council to hold required legislative hearings on state plans for the receipt and expenditure of new or revised block grants passed by Congress. This particular resolution would be in force from the effective date of the resolution through September 30, 2001. It would authorize that the budget section would provide some public notice and hold the hearings authorized by this resolution using any methods or procedures deemed appropriate to meet the needs of the requirements of the grant. Any questions?

Senator Fischer: If you're neither for nor against, is that a maybe?

Sheila Sandness: Yes, that's your job. That's above my pay grade. (laughter)

Senator Mathern: What are consequences of passing or failing this?

Sheila Sandness: My understanding is that the consequences of not having this in place would be that if there was a grant that we would qualify for and that we would possibly get that requires such a medium, such a legislative hearing, because we are not a legislature that meets throughout the entire biennium. In order to get the money, we'd have to have a

legislative hearing and during the interim, that would require calling everyone and having a hearing with the whole legislature.

Senator Mathern: Do we notify communities of this hearing or resolution or do we expect that they're watching this?

Sheila Sandness: There was notice printed in two of the major newspapers in the state advising the public of this hearing. I believe it ran in the January 4th Sunday paper.

Senator Fischer presented an example questioning the workings of the resolution and asked if the attorney general is in favor of this to which **Sheila Sandness** said she didn't know and couldn't answer for him, but this is something that has been done in previous bienniums.

V. Chair Bowman: Is leadership involved in this?

Sheila Sandness: To my knowledge, we've not required one during the interim. I'm not aware of when we've had to have such a hearing in the interim. This is kind of "just in case" legislation.

V. Chair Bowman asked for any questions. Being none, he adjourned the hearing.

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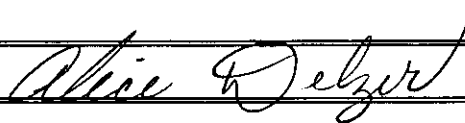
Senate Appropriations Committee

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Hearing Date: 2-10-09

Recorder Job Number: 9091

Committee Clerk Signature



Minutes:

Chairman Holmberg opened discussion on Resolution 4001.

Senator Mathern moved a **DO PASS** on Resolution 4001; **Senator Robinson** seconded.

A roll call vote was taken resulting in a DO PASS on RESOLUTION 4001 with 13 yes, 0

no, and 1 absent. The bill will be carried by Senator Mathern

There was discussion on the schedule for Friday and Monday.

Date: 2/10/09
 Roll Call Vote #: 1

2009 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 4001

Senate _____ Committee _____

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Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken Do Pass Do Not Pass Amended

Motion Made By Mather Seconded By Robinson

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Senator Fischer	✓		Senator Warner	✓	
Senator Christmann	✓		Senator Robinson	✓	
Senator Krebsbach	✓		Senator Krauter	✓	
Senator Bowman	✓		Senator Lindaas		
Senator Kilzer	✓		Senator Mathern	✓	
Senator Grindberg	✓		Senator Seymour	✓	
Senator Wardner	✓				
Chairman Holmberg	✓				

Total Yes ~~13~~ 13 No 0

Absent 1

Floor Assignment Mathern

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SCR 4001: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Holmberg, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SCR 4001 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

2009 HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS

SCR 4001

2009 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

SCR 4001

House Appropriations Committee

Check here for Conference Committee

Hearing Date: March 9, 2009

Recorder Job Number: 10506

Committee Clerk Signature *Holly N. Svedjan*

Minutes:

Chm. Svedjan opened the hearing on SCR 4001.

Sheila Sandness, Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Council approached the podium to speak about SCR 4001 relating to the authorization of the Budget Section of the Legislative Council to hold the required legislative hearings on state plans for the receipt and expenditure of new or revised block grants. A survey was done and the results revealed one block grant – the Community Services Block Grant administered by the Department of Commerce Division of Community Services. Currently there are no other grants that require a legislative hearing. However, the Budget Section addressed the issue of legislative hearings for federal funds during the interim. The Budget Section recommends SCR 4001 to authorize the Budget Section to hold public legislative hearings required for the receipt of new federal block grant funds during the period from the recess or adjournment of the 61st legislative assembly through Sept. 30, 2011. Ms. Sandness concluded her remarks. (:30)

Chm. Svedjan: This is a resolution we pass every session that gives authority to the Budget Section to handle the affairs when we're not in session with regard to Block Grants. (2:01)

Rep. Delzer: Where does that reside in the Commerce Appropriation bill? (2:20)

Ms. Sandness: I would have to check with them. Roxanne has that budget so I'm not real familiar with the Department of Commerce budget. I could get back to you on that.

Chm. Svedjan: That portion makes reference to the Community Services Block Grant. Are you looking at lines 18 – 20?

Rep. Delzer: 18-20. I haven't seen that anywhere in the Commerce bill. I don't know where it resides, what that is referencing, unless it's just part of the normal budgeting process.

Ms. Sandness: My understanding is that when you approve their appropriation bill you are approving of their use of the Community Services Block Grant. That's my understanding.

Chm. Svedjan: That does reside in that budget.

Rep. Delzer: Part of it.

Chm. Svedjan: What are your wishes? Do you want to hold and clarify that? I see this as very standard.

Rep. Skarphol: I think the language it's referring to is in Section 1 of the Commerce Department bill where it says, "and from Special Funds derived from federal funds and other income to the Department of Commerce for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Department of Commerce." It allows them to accept the Community Development Block Grants with Budget Section approval if I'm not incorrect. (4:30)

Rep. Wald moved a Do Pass and be placed on the Consent Calendar. Rep. Klein seconded the motion. The motion carried by a roll call vote of 22 yeas, 0 nays and 3 absent and not voting.

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Date: 3/9/09
Roll Call Vote #: 1

2009 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SCR 4001

Full House Appropriations Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken No Pass

Motion Made By Wald Seconded By Klein

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman Svedjan	✓				
Vice Chairman Kempenich	✓				
Rep. Skarphol	✓		Rep. Kroeber	✓	
Rep. Wald	✓		Rep. Onstad	✓	
Rep. Hawken	✓		Rep. Williams	✓	
Rep. Klein	✓				
Rep. Martinson	✓				
Rep. Delzer	✓		Rep. Glassheim	✓	
Rep. Thoreson	✓		Rep. Kaldor	✓	
Rep. Berg	✓		Rep. Meyer	✓	
Rep. Dosch	✓				
Rep. Pollert	✓		Rep. Ekstrom	✓	
Rep. Bellew	✓		Rep. Kerzman	✓	
Rep. Kreidt	✓		Rep. Metcalf	✓	
Rep. Nelson	✓				
Rep. Wieland	✓				

Total (Yes) 22 No 0

Absent 3

Floor Assignment Wald

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)
March 10, 2009 10:52 a.m.

Module No: HR-42-4421
Carrier: Wald
Insert LC: . Title: .

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SCR 4001: Appropriations Committee (Rep. Svedjan, Chairman) recommends DO PASS and BE PLACED ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR (22 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 3 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SCR 4001 was placed on the Tenth order on the calendar.