## MINUTES OF THE SENATE FEDERAL AND STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Senator Nancey Harrington at Upon 1<sup>st</sup> Adjournment on March 25, 2002 at the Rail of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Senator Pete Brungardt, excused

Committee staff present: Russell Mills, Legislative Research Department

Dennis Hodgins, Legislative Research Department

Theresa Kiernan, Office of the Revisor Nikki Kraus, Committee Secretary

Chairperson Harrington opened the meeting.

Senator O'Connor asked the committee for the introduction of a resolution asking agencies to allow an eighty percent voucher to special needs individuals. She stated that the resolution was for the federal government so that federal monies could also be used.

Senator O'Connor made a motion to introduce the resolution. Senator Gooch seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Chairperson Harrington stated that the resolution would probably be assigned to the Health committee.

Senator O'Connor stated that the resolution was to affect wheelchair-bound individuals who are allowed a transportation voucher of \$100 for medical visits only. She stated that the resolution would allow them the option to take an \$80 voucher instead and use it for other purposes.

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m. The next meeting will be held at 10:30 a.m. on March 26, 2002 in Room 245-N.