

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE TOURISM AND PARKS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Becky Hutchins at 3:30 p.m. on January 21, 2004 in Room 241-N of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Representative Clark Shultz- excused
Representative Scott Schwab- excused
Representative Vern Osborne- excused

Committee staff present:

Hank Avila, Legislative Research Department
Russell Mills, Legislative Research Department
Mary Torrence, Office of Revisor of Statutes
Lura Attig, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee: none

Others attending:

See Attached List.

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m. by Chairperson Becky Hutchins. Committee members and staff introduced themselves.

The Committee Rules (Attachment 1) were distributed. Chairperson Hutchins mentioned the location of her office, Room 502-S.

Chairperson Hutchins asked for bill introductions from committee members.

- Rep. Mary Kauffman made a motion that the committee accept a bill concerning watercraft, relating to dealers and dealers use (Attachment 2). This bill was presented on behalf of Rep. Willa DeCastro who could not be present. Rep. Hayzlett seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Rep. Carol Edward Beggs made the motion that the Agritourism bill from last session be reintroduced as a committee bill. Rep. Morrison seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Chairperson Hutchins asked for bill introductions from the gallery. Christopher Tymeson, representing the Department of Wildlife and Parks, requested two bills.

- State Parks specifically the Menninger Memorial State Park. Rep. Ruff made the motion and Rep. Novascone seconded. A vote was taken and the motion passed.
- Boating bill. Rep. Ruff made the motion and Rep. Scoggins-Waite seconded. Motion passed.

In answer to Mary Torrence's question, regarding the Agritourism bill, does the committee want the final version as it came from the Governor, or as it came from the committee, if they are different, or as it came from the house, the committee decided to use the bill as it came from the house.

Chairperson Becky Hutchins asked for further comments or business to come before the committee. There were none.

Next weeks' agenda was discussed.

Chairperson Hutchins adjourned the meeting at 3:50 p.m.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 28, 2004.