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MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL AND STATE AFFAIRS

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lana Oleen at 2:00 p.m. on March 29, 1993 at the Rail of the Capitol.

All members were present except:

Sens. Praeger and Vidricksen were excused

Committee staff present: Theresa Kiernan, Revisor of Statutes Jeanne Eudaley, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:
None

Sen. Oleen referred to the confirmation of Gubernatorial appointments and the present process for confirmations. She stated a need for a change in the process because some appointees have served and voted on important issues as appointees for a year or more. She introduced a proposal that would require appointees to be confirmed by the Senate before becoming voting members of their respective positions. Sen. Oleen explained it would extend currrent appointees to serve until December 31 of each year so the Senate could take appropriate action beginning in January of the following year when the Senate will be in session,

Sen. Ramirez made a motion the committee sponsor the proposal as a bill, and it was seconded by Sen. Tillotson; the motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 2:10.