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## MINUTES OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL AND STATE AFFAIRS.

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Garry Boston at 1:30 p.m. on January 12, 1995 in Room 526-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Douglass Lawrence, Excused

Committee staff present: Mary Galligan, Legislative Research Department

Lynne Holt, Legislative Research Department Mary Ann Torrence, Revisor of Statutes June Evans, Committee Secretary

Conferees appearing before the committee:

Others attending:

The Chairperson announced that this was an organizational meeting and there was no seating assignment this time, but seats would be assigned at the next meeting. The Chairperson thanked the members for serving on the committee and stated they would understand after completion of the session.

The Chairperson stated this was a high profile committee. Last session the committee dealt with such topics as capital punishment, assault weapons and gaming issues. Some issues on instant bingo are going to come up this year, the Racing Commission will have some issues they will bring forth and there will be some topics on liquor sales by county option.

The Chairperson introduced Ray Cox, Vice Chairperson and Sabrina Standifer, Ranking Minority Member of the committee.

Mary Galligan, Legislative Research Department, gave a briefing on what issues had come before the committee in previous years. The issues vary with the Speaker and the Chairperson. Some of these issues have been: abortion, alcohol, gambling, bingo, lottery, casino gaming, initiative and referendum, consumer issues, health clubs, trading stamps, firearms, capital punishment, state dance, state march, etc. There are several special committees now that receive some of these issues. Federal and State Affairs Committee is an exempt committee.

The Chairperson introduced the staff.

The committee members introduced themselves and stated the district they represent and the length of time they have served on the committee if returning.

The Chairperson stated that Rules of the Committee were placed before them and the members should read and adhere to them.

The meetings will start at 1:30 p.m. and will work until the work is finished.

The meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m. The next meeting is on call by the Chairperson.