

MINUTES  
**HOUSE HEALTH & WELFARE COMMITTEE**

**DATE:** Tuesday, January 13, 2015  
**TIME:** 9:00 A.M.  
**PLACE:** Room EW20  
**MEMBERS:** Chairman Wood, Vice Chairman Packer, Representatives Hixon, Perry, Romrell, Vander Woude, Beyeler, Redman, Troy, Rusche, Chew  
**ABSENT/  
EXCUSED:** Representative Rusche  
**GUESTS:** None

**Chairman Wood** called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**Chairman Wood** welcomed the committee. He reviewed the rules for conducting business during the session. He recognized **Representatives Rusche** and **Vander Woude** as part of Leadership.

**Dennis Stevenson**, State Administrator of Rules Coordination, appeared to share the history of the Department of Administration, its function, and its relationship to the Legislature. He described the codification of approved rules along with the nature and negotiated process of rule making. Mr. Stevenson talked about the Legislative Services Office (LSO) analysis that addresses rule changes, trends, interpretation, and agency promulgation authority. He detailed the requests the Committee can make to the agencies, including a finding report.

**Mr. Stevenson** explained the various types of Rules, their color denotation, and the results of acceptance or rejection of any Rule, whether in part or completely, by the Committee. He clarified the appropriate motions that can be made for any Rule and the resulting resolutions.

**Chairman Wood** stated he will not keep any Rule from the Committee and there will be no formal subcommittee since the entire Committee is small.

**Chairman Wood** reminded the members of the necessity to do their homework, decorum during testimony, session deadlines, appropriate motions, and the difference between RS and other legislation hearings.

**Chairman Wood** announced the proofreaders for the minutes will be himself, **Vice Chairman Packer, Rep. Perry, and Rep. Rusche**. He also announced a joint public hearing is scheduled for January 30th in the Lincoln Auditorium.

**Chairman Wood** introduced the Committee Secretary, **Irene Moore** and Committee Page, **Benjamin Satterlee**.

**ADJOURN:** There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 10:06 a.m.

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Representative Wood  
Chair

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Irene Moore  
Secretary