

**1999 SENATE APPROPRIATIONS**

**SB 2147**

1999 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB2147

Senate Appropriations Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date 01-12-99

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
4		X	1550-1830
2-11-99 1		X	1625-1790
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Kathleen C. Kottenderock</i>			

Minutes:

**SENATOR NETHING:** Opened the hearing on SB2147; A BILL FOR AN ACT TO AMEND AND REENACT SUBSECTION 3 OF SUBSECTION 25-02-01.1 OF THE NORTH DAKOTA CENTURY CODE, RELATING TO THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE STATE HOSPITAL.

**ALEX SCHWEITZER:** Superintendent of the State Hospital to testify in support of SB2147 (testimony attached).

**SENATOR NETHING:** Closed the hearing on SB2147.

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2/11/99

**SENATOR NETHING:** Reopened the hearing on SB2147.

**SENATOR NETHING:** Called for the motion on SB2147.

**SENATOR ST. AUBYN:** Moved a Do Pass on SB2147.

**SENATOR ROBINSON:** Seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL: 14 YEAS; 0 NAYS; 0 ABSENT & NOT VOTING.**

**CARRIER: SENATOR ROBINSON**

**SENATOR NETHING:** Closed the hearing on SB2147.

Date: 2/11/99  
Roll Call Vote #: \_\_\_\_\_

1999 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES  
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2147

Senate APPROPRIATIONS Committee

Subcommittee on \_\_\_\_\_  
or  
 Conference Committee

Legislative Council Amendment Number \_\_\_\_\_

Action Taken DO PASS

Motion Made By Sen. St. Aubyn Seconded By Sen. Robinson

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Senator Nething, Chairman	✓				
Senator Naaden, Vice Chairman	✓				
Senator Solberg	✓				
Senator Lindaas	✓				
Senator Tallackson	✓				
Senator Tomac	✓				
Senator Robinson	✓				
Senator Krauter	✓				
Senator St. Aubyn	✓				
Senator Grindberg	✓				
Senator Holmberg	✓				
Senator Kringstad	✓				
Senator Bowman	✓				
Senator Andrist	✓				

Total (Yes) 14 No 0

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Sen. Robinson

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)  
February 12, 1999 9:20 a.m.

Module No: SR-29-2672  
Carrier: Robinson  
Insert LC: . Title: .

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**SB 2147: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Nething, Chairman) recommends DO PASS**  
(14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2147 was placed on the  
Eleventh order on the calendar.

**1999 HOUSE HUMAN SERVICES**

**SB 2147**

1999 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2147

House Human Services Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date March 1, 1999

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
2	b		0.0-2.7
Committee Clerk Signature			

Minutes:

ALEX SCHWEITZER, Superintendent of the North Dakota State Hospital testifies: (Testimony attached)

OPPOSITION

Hearing closed on SB 2147

Hearing reopened.

DISCUSSION

Rep. ROBIN WEISZ Moved DO PASS. Rep. CHET POLLERT Seconded.

Roll Call Vote #2: 15 Yeas, 0 Nays, 0 Absent

Date: 3/1/99  
 Roll Call Vote #: 2

**1999 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES**  
**BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB2147**

House Human Services Committee

Subcommittee on \_\_\_\_\_  
 or  
 Conference Committee

Legislative Council Amendment Number \_\_\_\_\_

Action Taken Do Pass

Motion Made By Rep Weisz Seconded By Rep Pollert

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Clara Sue Price - Chairwoman	X		Bruce A. Eckre	X	
Robin Weisz - Vice Chairman	X		Ralph Metcalf	X	
William R. Devlin	X		Carol A. Niemeier	X	
Pat Galvin	X		Wanda Rose	X	
Dale L. Henegar	X		Sally M. Sandvig	X	
Roxanne Jensen	X				
Amy N. Kliniske	X				
Chet Pollert	X				
Todd Porter	X				
Blair Thoreson	X				

Total Yes 15 No 0  
 Absent \_\_\_\_\_

Floor Assignment Rep Pollert

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)**  
**March 1, 1999 3:39 p.m.**

**Module No: HR-36-3810**  
**Carrier: Pollert**  
**Insert LC: . Title: .**

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**SB 2147: Human Services Committee (Rep. Price, Chairman) recommends DO PASS**  
**(15 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2147 was placed on the**  
**Fourteenth order on the calendar.**

**1999 TESTIMONY**  
**SB 2147**

**The Senate Appropriations Committee  
Senator David Nething, Chairman  
Senate Bill 2147**

**North Dakota State Hospital  
January 12, 1999**

**Mr. Chairman, members of the Committee, my name is Alex C. Schweitzer and I am the Superintendent of the North Dakota State Hospital. I am here to ask for your support in amending subsection 3 of section 25-02-01.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the governing body of the state hospital.**

**The amendment removes reference to the performance improvement coordinator as a mandated member of the hospital's governing body. This position was once a member of the management team at the hospital and had primary responsibility for assuring hospital quality of care activities. Upon the retirement of this individual, management was reorganized and primary responsibility for this function was delegated to the Superintendent and Medical Director. This change was to provide evidence to the Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Hospitals, the accrediting body of the hospital, that senior management was providing primary leadership in this important area of assuring quality of care at the hospital. The day to day functions of this position were delegated to an employee directly reporting to the Superintendent's office. The performance improvement coordinator no longer serves on the board, thus the need to clean up the language in the statute.**

**This concludes my testimony and I would be pleased to answer any questions the committee may have!**

**I would be please to answer any concerns or questions about this recommended amendment. Thank you for your kind attention.**

**The House Human Services Committee  
Representative Clara Sue Price, Chairman  
Senate Bill 2147**

**North Dakota State Hospital  
March 1, 1999**

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