

MINUTES OF THE HOUSE FEDERAL & STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Mays at 1:45 p.m. on April 3, 2002 in Room 313-S of the Capitol.

All members were present except: Representative Tom Burroughs, Excused  
Representative Ray Cox, Excused  
Representative Joann Freeborn, Excused

Committee staff present: Mary Torrence, Revisor of Statutes  
Russell Mills, Legislative Research Analyst  
Shelia Pearman, Committee Secretary

Others attending: See attached list

Chairman Mays requested consideration of **SCR 1624 - Designating Great Overland Station.** The committee consensus was to take no action on the bill today.

Chairman Mays requested consideration of **HB 2782 - Religious freedom restoration act.** Representative Williams reminded the committee of information from the hearing and the applicability of Religious Land Use & Institutionalized Persons Act addressing the concern of Secretary Simmons. **Representative Ruff made a motion to amend by removing applicability to any correctional institution inmate. Representative Powell seconded the motion. The motion carried.** **Representative Williams made a motion to recommend HB 2782 favorable for passage as amended.** **Representative Cook and Barnes simultaneously seconded the motion. The motion carried.**

Chairman Mays requested consideration of **HB 2945 - Child in need of care; central registry for child abuse perpetrators; definition of abuse; family preservation.** Following explanation of the balloon amendment (Attachment #1), **Representative McCreary moved adoption of the amendment.** **Representative Williams seconded the motion.** Due to limited time before the afternoon session and questions regarding the fiscal impact, Chairman Mays stated the committee would continue discussion on April 4, 2002.

The meeting recessed at 2:25 p.m. with the next meeting to be held April 4, 2002.