

## Assembly

MINUTES OF MEETING OF JUDICIARY COMMITTEE, Jan. 27, 1965

Meeting commenced at 10:15 A.M.

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Present: Close, Jacobsen, Knisley, Delaney, Kean, Parsons, Olsen, Swobe  
Absent: Rosaschi, Excused

One change was made in the minutes: It is Parsons who is to speak for AB 61, not Rosaschi

AB 72 Relates to widow, widower, or personal representative to receive any money or property found on a deceased by a coroner.

Mr. Knisley stated that he saw nothing wrong with the bill as it stands.  
Mr. Close said there could be problems in cases of multi-death situation.

Committee decided to hold the bill over and study it further for possible amendment.

Mr. Knisley cautioned the Committee about the possibility of creating some bad laws if there is too much "hurry" to pass legislation. As an example, he cited AB 44 which was passed in the Assembly Tuesday morning.

Mr. Kean suggested possible rescinding of the bill but it was decided not to do this at the present time. Mr. Knisley and Mr. Kean were appointed to review the bill. (AB 44)

AB 81 Relates to installment sales.

Chairman announced there would be a hearing on the bill on Friday, Feb. 3. At that time the Committee will hear representatives from banks and financial companies.

AB 83 Relates to false and deceptive advertising

Mr. Swobe, who was assigned to draft an amendment to the bill, reported that after study, it was his opinion that the whole last section should be deleted. He suggested passing the bill minus the entire last section. He said he had gone over it with the bill drafter who worked with the Attorney General on it originally.

Mr. Swobe moved to amend the bill by deleting Section 6 in its entirety and report out of Committee Do Pass as amended.

Knisley seconded  
Motion passed unanimously

AB 95 Relates to Arson Investigators

Mr. Close read a letter from Mr. Blyth on this matter in which he said that it would be difficult to make the bill more definitive.

Mr. Close read the amendment drafted by Mr. Kean and himself: "Any Arson Investigator outside of his jurisdiction may be duly designated by another fire department." He said he didn't feel that this was much improvement.

Mr. Knisley stated that this bill seems to give Arson Investigators police powers at all times and he only needs them for the purpose of his investigation.

Mr. Close said the bill gave them Peace Officer powers, not Police powers.

Decision was to hold the bill over for the time being.

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AB 102 Obscenity statute

Mr. Kean asked: Does the bill parallel the thinking of the Supreme Court decision?  
Mr. Close said that he thought it did.

Decision was to hold over the bill to hear from Rosaschi as to origin of the bill, etc.

BDR 23-402\* Exempts Attorney General's employees from classified service.

Mr. Kean moved to introduce the bill and refer it to Ways and Means Committee.  
Mr. Swobe seconded  
Motion passed unanimously

BDR 18-412<sup>o</sup> Raises salary of and prohibits private practice by the Attorney General

Decision was not to introduce the bill.

Mr. Kean moved to give the bill directly to Committee on Ways and Means  
Mr. Delaney seconded  
Motion passed unanimously

AJR 11 Prepared by Mr. Close Increases J.P. jurisdiction to \$500. Requires constitutional amendment.

It was brought out that the bill would take some pressure off the District Courts. Also, that \$500 might not be a high enough figure.

Mr. Kean suggested that the section relating to this matter be taken right out of the constitution and the limits of JP jurisdiction be left to the legislature to decide so that the amount could be varied from time to time as occasion warranted.

Decision was to kill this bill and have another drafted following the lines of Mr. Kean's suggestion.

Swobe and Kean so moved  
Jacobsen seconded  
Motion passed unanimously

Mr. Swobe then moved that it be left up to the Chairman to determine whether to amend the present bill or draft an entirely new one.  
Olsen seconded  
Motion passed unanimously

AB 74 Credit Card Bill. Discussion on it being a misdemeanor when it could very well involve a great deal of money. Suggestion made to amend giving a specific number of days.

Mr. Swobe was assigned to look up if there are other statutes which give a time limit.

Meeting adjourned 11:05 A.M.

\*A.B. 207

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