

Assembly

MINUTES OF MEETING - COMMITTEE ON STATE, COUNTY AND CITY AFFAIRS, 54th Session, January 23, 1967.

Meeting was called to order at 2:00 P.M.

Present: Hilbrecht, Garfinkle, Dini, Wooster, Tyson, Bryan Hafen, McKissick, Smith, Roy Young.

Absent: None.

Mr. Hilbrecht introduced and welcomed Mrs. Earl Nicholson, head of the State League of Women Voters, and Mr. Ernest Newton, of the Nevada Tax Association, and permission for them to sit in was granted.

Mr. Hilbrecht stated that Russ McDonald, of the Legislative Counsel, would review and give recommended action for the 17 technical bills that have been referred to the committee.

AB 44: The last session of the legislature passed an all encompassing act designated the Local Government Budget Act. This bill's purpose is to strike out the term "sinking fund" and substitute "debt service fund" for conformity.

AB 45: Purpose is to resolve conflicts between the state, county, and city regarding legal holidays and days of observance. School districts and public offices have been at variance. Recommended that action be deferred until the bill is read and considered by various members of the committee.

AB 46: Purpose is to repeal NRS 245.190 relating to vacations of county officials. Example was given that some counties allow for a 15-day vacation will full pay while others allow 1-1/2 days per month cumulative. Recommended that bill be continued for further discussion.

AB 47: Purpose is to amend NRS 244.805 so as to clarify that the 10 percent debt limitation on general obligation bonds applies inclusively to general obligation bonds issued under a special or local law.

At this time Mr. McDonald was called to the Senate floor where meeting of "Committee on the Whole" was being held. Mrs. Tyson suggested that consideration of the remaining bills AB 48 through AB 60 be deferred until the next meeting when Mr. McDonald could continue his presentation.

Mr. Hilbrecht called for action on AB 44.

Mr. McKissick moved Do Pass AB 44.
Mr. Garfinkle seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Wooster moved Do Pass AB 46.
Mr. Garfinkle seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Hilbrecht referred to AB 28 which gives the Governor sole authority for fixing daylight saving time or standard time throughout the state whereas now the authority is vested in the counties.

Discussion indicated that some of the eastern counties have followed action of the central time zone states in preference to Pacific time zone areas. Mr. McKissick moved that action be deferred to the next meeting. Motion passed.

Mr. McDonald returned to the meeting and action was taken to resume consideration of the bills which had been interrupted by his absence.

AB 48: This bill relating to provisions for the publication of financial reports by local governments and to provide generally in the Local Government Budget Act for the publication of both financial statements and lists of bills allowed would repeal that section that provides separately for such publication by counties, cities, school districts and irrigation districts. Discussion revealed that Mr. Dini and Mr. Wooster both recognized that inclusion of irrigation districts required clarification inasmuch as said districts do not always involve funds covered by the bill. Mr. Newton further indicated that publications too often were so general in content as to have no meaning to the taxpaying readers and that publication in such cases was wasteful. Mr. Wooster indicated that other legislation pending would be dealing with this question also. It was noted that hearing would be in order and it was recommended that action be continued on this bill until further consideration could be given.

AB 49: This bill also relates to the publication of local government tentative budgets and would eliminate the requirement that they be published.

AB 50: Purpose of this bill is to provide additional authorized locations for storage at the disposal of the Division of Archives in the office of Secretary of State.

AB 51: Purpose of this bill is clarification to conform in providing that annual reports of county auditors be submitted to the Nevada Tax Commission instead of the Superintendent of Banks.

AB 52: Purpose is to allow the State Controller's powers and duties in the drawing of warrants to include the drawing of warrants for inactive deposits. Discussion indicated that lack of this power or duty has resulted in dormant funds that could be diverted to earning investment channels if allowed. Mr. McKissick inquired whether there would be conflict between the Controller and Treasurer. Mr. McDonald replied in the negative and stated that this bill would provide and clarify the working arrangement between the two offices. He further indicated that Mr. Terrell, of the Legislative Counsel, would be available to answer any further questions of the committee.

AB 53: A solution bill to delete reference to the Superintendent of Banks in order to conform to the Local Government Budget Act.

AB 54: This bill to amend chapter 350 of the NRS is extensive and it was recommended that a pending meeting of the Colorado River Commission would yield pertinent matter pertaining and action should be deferred until a future date.

AB 55: An Act to be designated as the 1967 Public Securities Validation Act follows the previous pattern of enactment by each session so as to secure validations throughout all subdivisions of the state

government, such security being required if other acts are in conflict. Mr. McKissick inquired whether or not the same objective could be reached by amending action. Mr. McDonald indicated it could but that the Legislative Counsel preferred this pattern of enactment.

AB 56: This bill would amend Section 2 of Chapter I of an act covering establishment of the town of Wells, in Elko County, and it was recommended that action be deferred for further consideration.

AB 57: Purpose is to correct an error designating a district trustee as a director.

AB 58: Purpose is to clarify the Act relating to the imposition of excise, privilege, and occupation taxes by political subdivisions of the State by rearranging its provisions. Recommendation was to continue consideration at a future date.

AB 59: This act would amend the Municipal Airports Act and alter existing provisions regarding the disposition or use of funds available for possible support of the airports. Mr. McKissick indicated the he did not wish this matter deferred, that he felt that hearings should be held on it.

AB 60: The Act to amend Chapter 19 of NRS would provide a uniform exemption relating to fees charged by county clerks in favor of the State, the particular county, cities and towns within the county and their respective officers.

Mr. Wooster moved AB 48 be held for public hearing.
Mr. Smith seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Wooster moved Do Pass AB 49.
Mr. Garfinkle seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Young moved Do Pass AB 50.
Mr. Wooster seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Wooster moved Do Pass AB 51.
Mr. Garfinkle seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Tyson moved AB 52 for continued consideration at future date.
Mr. Wooster seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Young moved Do Pass AB 53.
Mr. Wooster seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Yound moved AB 54 for continued consideration at future date.
Mr. Wooster seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Hilbrecht, following discussion, directed that the stenographer substitute the term "continued for consideration" be used instead of the term "defer" in previous motions of this meeting.

Mr. Garfinkle moved Do Pass AB 55.
Mrs. Tyson seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Young moved AB 56 for continued consideration at future date.
Mr. Dini seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Young moved Do Pass AB 57.
Mr. Wooster seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Young moved AB 58 for continued consideration at future date.
Mr. Garfinkle seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Tyson moved AB 60 for continued consideration at future date.
Mr. Wooster seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. McKissick moved AB 59 for further consideration at future date.
Mr. Garfinkle seconded.
Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Hilbrecht announced that the committee would meet as tentatively agreed upon at 11:00 A.M. (or morning recess) on Monday, Wednesday and Friday each week in Room 43.

Mr. Garfinkle moved adjournment.
Motion passed unanimously.