

Assembly

MINUTES OF MEETING - COMMITTEE ON STATE, COUNTY AND CITY AFFAIRS
54TH NEVADA ASSEMBLY SESSION - MARCH 1, 1967

Chairman Hilbrecht convened the meeting with a quorum present but all members were present before the meeting concluded.

Agenda for Monday, March 6 was outlined to include consideration of AB 320 and 322 introduced by Mrs. Tyson and Bryan Hafen; AB 324 and 325; AB 333 and 334 introduced by Assemblyman Homer, also AB 335. A public hearing on the contractor's bills will be held Monday, March 13. These include AB 307 and 331.

AB 227: Chairman Hilbrecht announced that the Clark County delegation was considering a new substitute bill and consideration will be continued on this measure until the new bill is prepared.

AB 317: Assemblyman Schouweiler was introduced in connection with this bill and stated that he had with him Mr. Larry L. Ball and Mr. Keith J. Henrikson representing the Federated Fire Fighters of Nevada. The committee was furnished with copies of a fact sheet showing the arguments in favor of converting the firefighters to a 56 hour three platoon system of operation.

Discussion developed that the City of Reno was the city for which this conversion was being sought. Chairman Hilbrecht questioned why, if Reno were the main objective of the bill, the problem could not be handled on a local level. The answer was given that unless the state legislated the change the improved fire rates and codes would not be recognized. Mrs. Tyson asked what the effect of the bill would have on the Tahoe-Ormsby station. It developed that an enlargement would be made necessary at that station.

Mr. Curt Blyth said that the Municipal Association opposed this type of legislation as being special legislation for a special group and that it takes away from the cities their prerogative.

Those making the presentation on AB 317 were excused.

AB 144: Mr. Hal Smith reported that the contacts he had been able to make indicated that Clark County would not live with the bill's provisions but that he had not contacted all of the parties. Further consideration of this measure was continued.

AB 277 was announced for inclusion on the Monday agenda. Mr. Roy Young said he would report on the bill at that time.

AB 282: Following discussion of this bill Mr. Roy Young moved that it be re-referred to the Committee on Taxation.

Action was called for on AB 271 the "Archivist's Bill".

Roy Young moved AB 271 be indefinitely postponed.

Mrs. Tyson seconded.

Motion unanimously passed.

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Mrs. Tyson suggested that Speaker Mel Close be invited to the Monday meeting for presentation of AB 298 and AB 304.

Assemblyman Paul May was introduced to explain his AB 293. He said the bill was motivated by the desire of people in North Las Vegas to support an individual who is employed by Clark County in a non-policy making job. He is forbidden by the present law from seeking an elective office in North Las Vegas. He was then excused.

Mr. Bryan Hafen moved AB 293 be postponed indefinitely.
Mr. Roy Young seconded.
Motion unanimously passed.

Discussion was resumed on consideration of AB 205 and AB 206.

Mr. Hal Smith moved that the committee reconsider AB 206 for amendment by excluding cities, counties and school districts from its provisions.
Mr. Garfinkle seconded.
Motion unanimously carried.

Motion was then made to Do Pass AB 206 with the amendment.
Six members voted for the motion .
Three members opposed.
Motion carried.

The committee then acted on AB 317.

Roy Young moved AB 317 for indefinite postponement.
Mr. Smith seconded.
Mr. Bryan Hafen and Mr. Dini opposed the motion.

Mr. Roy Young moved that a new Standing Rule of the Committee be framed to the effect that all lobbyists be excused from the committee meeting prior to any committee action being taken.
Mrs. Tyson seconded.
Motion unanimously passed.

FEDERATED FIRE FIGHTERS OF NEVADA

January 1, 1967

The following is a list of the major fire departments within the state of Nevada, their weekly hours, platoon systems, and the number of men involved.

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NAME	HOURS PER WK.	PLATOON	MEN
Tahoe Douglas	72	2	21
Reno	62.8	2	122
Clark Co.	60	2	131
Nth Las Vegas	56	3	33
Las Vegas	56	3	249
Elko	56	3	9
Carson City	56	3	12
Sparks	56	3	35

The greatest single advantage to be gained by a 56 hour work week, is the automatic conversion to the three platoon system. This provides in all ways better fire service to the public.

THREE PLATOON eliminates acting positions, which is one of the major causes of error. Each platoon takes its days off together, which means you have the same man in the same position with the same crew. Efficiency is increased by 100%, from fire fighting to training.

TWO PLATOON PROVIDES that only 50% of the time, can any crew in any given station, be found to be working in positions for which they are qualified. 100% of the time their is at least one man off, and 20% of the time their is at least 2 men off. This condition makes it virtually impossible to provide adequate training.

The following is a list of those states which now have maximum hour laws of 56 hours or less.

	Maximum work week
Montana*	40 hours
New Jersey*	56
Pensylvania*	56
Louisiana*	48
Connecuticut	56
Illinois	56
Kentucky	56
Massachusetts	56
New York	56
Oregon	56
North Dakota	56

* Copys are available from myself.

Maximum possible cost to the city of Reno upon conversion to a 56 hour three platoon system.

It would be possible to use ten additional firemen to man the equipment and fill in for vacation and sick leave time.

Certain promotions are needed for the addition of a third platoon. One Battalion Chief, six Captians, three Lieutenants and, thirteen Operators.

ADDITIONAL MEN	
Salaries	\$ 62,400.00
Clothing	3,000.00
Insurance	1,700.00
N.I.C. Retirement	6,240.00
PROMOTIONS	
Salaries	8,260.00
MAXIMUM TOTAL	\$ 81,600.00

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