

## Assembly

MINUTES OF MEETING COMMITTEE ON STATE, COUNTY AND CITY AFFAIRS  
54TH NEVADA ASSEMBLY SESSION - MARCH 21, 1967

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

Absent: None

Chairman Hilbrecht convened the meeting at 11:15 a.m. in Room 43. He stated that the amendments that had been requested to AB 158 had been received. This bill was considered before the committee on March 14 and Bryan Hafen moved the amendments: (1) the distribution of property tax lists could be made optional to be mailed or to be published annually via newspaper; (2) property valuations of \$1,000 or less may be omitted from the published tax list provided that the property owner be advised by mail of his true assessed valuation if omitted from the published list.

✓ Roy Young moved Do Pass AB 158 with the amendments.  
Smith seconded.  
Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Wooster reported to the committee that the amendments to AB 144 covering election of county hospital trustees had been received. The amendments would cover the Washoe County exception and still make the bill acceptable to the other counties.

✓ Wooster moved Do Pass AB 144 as amended.  
Smith seconded.  
Motion unanimously passed.

Chairman Hilbrecht advised that AJR 11 had been removed from the general file and placed on the Chief Clerk's desk for reconsideration of the proposed amendments suggested by Assemblyman Jim Wood. The bill as it stands is amended by the committee to allow annual sessions with the shorter 30-day session in even-numbered years to be limited to matters relating to the budget and other matters which may be brought to the attention of the legislature by the legislative commission.

✓ Geraldine Tyson moved AJR 11 as previously amended to be returned to the Chief Clerks desk.  
Young seconded.  
Motion unanimously passed.

Mrs. Tyson was asked to report to the committee on AB 322 and AB 323 pertaining to the Fort Mojave Land Valley matters. She reported that Mr. Pat Head of the Colorado River Commission wanted favorable consideration of AB 322 which would allow funds from land sales to be placed in a revolving fund for further development in the area. Discussion revealed the funds are not in the State's general fund, that they had been obtained by the Commission and would be used by the Commission for continuing development in the area.

Mrs. Tyson further reported that AB 323 was no longer supported by the Commission on the ground that it had developed into a more objectionable bill than anticipated with some of the small counties having strong objection. 97

Tyson moved AB 323 be indefinitely postponed.

Smith seconded.

Motion unanimously passed.

Before calling action on AB 322 Mr. Young asked if it was known what sum of money presently would be available to the development fund. It was presented as being \$75,000 at the present time with a good potential of becoming larger.

Tyson moved Do Pass AB 322.

Young seconded.

Motion unanimously passed.

Before opening the hearing on the annexation bill, AB 345, Chairman Hilbrecht announced that the following bills would be considered Wednesday, March 22: SB 104, 412, 418, 419, 421, 427, 428, and SJR 24. Also SB 331 and 305. Mr. Smith advised that AB 459, the air pollution bill, would have a hearing on Wednesday as the people asking to be heard would be present.

Chairman Hilbrecht as introducer of AB 167 and Mr. Dini discussed AB 167, the explosives bill. Mr. Dini stated the proposed amendment exempting the agricultural interests was acceptable but that the failure to exempt mining prospectors was objectionable. Mr. Hilbrecht stated that the inclusion of prospectors by the very nature of their mode of operation would introduce an unworkable phase into the bill. Mr. Smith stated that in working on the sub-committee with Mr. Hilbrecht he felt the intent of the bill would be far superior to existing legislation but that the bill as amended and "watered down" did not seem to answer this intent. He stated that a new bill seemed to be in order.

Dini moved AB 167 be indefinitely postponed.

Young seconded.

The motion failed on a 3-3 vote with one member not voting.

Mr. Garfinkle's report to the committee on SB 202 was that the boundary change proposed between Washoe and Ormsby County involved a very small amount of land ranging from Lake Tahoe down the valley and the change was approved by the Washoe County Commissioners.

Garfinkle moved Do Pass SB 202.

Young seconded.

Motion unanimously passed.

Chairman Hilbrecht asked that Mr. Curt Blyth of the Nevada Municipal Association open the hearing on AB 345 known as the annexation bill. Mr. Blyth stated that there had been a misunderstanding between the county and the city groups

as to the date for this hearing. He outlined the intent of the annexation bill was to establish one law for the State and further stated that some proposed amendments had been received. Mr. Bob Henry, representing Clark County, was introduced. 98

Mr. Henry reported that he had worked from the city viewpoint on the bill and although he now represented Clark County he would therefore limit his report to the representation given him at a meeting held last night, March 20. The Clark County Commission took the position that the present annexation laws be left intact rather than adopting the proposed bill. The discussion with Mr. Henry made clear the difficulties that were faced two years ago on a similar bill wherein the differences between Clark and Washoe Counties make compatible legislation almost insurmountable. Chairman Hilbrecht suggested an area of amendment that may overcome many of the objections between the city and county subdivisions.

Chairman Hilbrecht announced that Mayor Gragson had asked the committee to hold the hearing open for representatives from Las Vegas.

Mr. Bud Lewis from Las Vegas spoke to the committee from his standpoint expressing support for the bill.

Mr. Blyth said that the proposed amendments from the County Commissioners Association as well as some from the Municipal Association would be made available Wednesday. It was agreed the hearing would be continued until Wednesday. Mr. Hilbrecht stated he would work with a sub-committee composed of Mr. Smith and Mr. Dini on the amendments following the presentations at the hearing.

SCR 24 also was added to the Wednesday agenda.

The committee agreed to introduce the Elko County Salary Bill introduced by Roy Young.

If available, the meeting Wednesday, March 22 will be held in Room 58, the Ways and Means Committee Room.

Meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.