

Assembly

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE ON STATE, COUNTY, AND CITY AFFAIRS
54TH NEVADA ASSEMBLY SESSION, MARCH 6, 1967

Meeting convened by Chairman Hilbrecht in Room 43.

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

Absent: None.

Assemblyman Lowman and Assemblywoman Flora Dungan were introduced to the committee as sponsors of AB 347 and AB 304 respectively.

AB 347: Mr. Lowman said that a study of the Supreme Court of Nevada and the U.S. Supreme Court's judgments concerning what criteria define a public utility prompted him to introduce this bill which defines the heating oil industry as a public utility. Mr. McKissick inquired whether it had been determined if the Public Service Commission favored the bill. Mr. Lowman stated that that determination had not as yet been made. He was then excused.

AB 304: Flora Dungan said that this bill was aimed to remove the county surveyor in Clark County from an elective official to an appointive one. She stated that many offices that are now elective require professional requirements of the holder that are not discernible to the electorate.

She stated further that the office of State Printer had been given to her for similar legislation and that she would appreciate the committee introducing it.

Chairman Hilbrecht finding no objection said the committee would proceed on that bill. In this connection he mentioned that he, too, had a draft of a measure that would allow more residence flexibility for certain state officials. There being no objection the committee approved the introduction of that bill also. Miss Dungan was then excused.

Assemblyman Jim Wood and Senator Monroe entered the meeting and were introduced to present their arguments for reconsideration of AB 28. Chairman Hilbrecht urged them to confer with subcommittee member, Bud Garfinkle, for determination to be made.

Roy Young moved AB 277 be reported out without recommendation. Motion was defeated.
It was agreed that AB 277 be continued for further consideration.

Assemblyman Homer was introduced and had with him Mr. Hagan of the Carson Water Company to present the reasons for AB 334 and 335. It was explained that Carson City has used watermeters with satisfactory results both from a user-cost and conservation viewpoint. The purpose of the bills would be to allow their continued use in Carson City without fear of an interpretation of existing law that would make them illegal. They

urged the committee to support both bills.

Dr. Homer then spoke on AB 333. The bill, he said, was a controversial one but he stated that its intent is to prevent state employees from taking advantage of accrued sick leave in a manner that has proved costly to the state.

Chairman Hilbrecht announced that the contractor's bills, AB 307, 331 and 382 would be given a hearing on March 13. He stated also that some experts would report to the committee on Wednesday, March 8 with regard to AB 300.

Mr. Garfinkle moved AB 347 to be tabled.
Five members supported the motion.
Motion passed.

Mr. Garfinkle reported back on his conference with Senator Monroe and Assemblyman Wood stating that it was suggested that A.J.R. 12 urging exception to the Uniform Time Act be amended to include asking the Federal Government to look into the possibility of altering the present time zones. Mr. Garfinkle stated he would handle the amendment.

After discussion of AB 304 it was determined to amend the bill so that it would clearly apply only to the county surveyor of Clark County.

Mr. McKissick moved AB 304 Do Pass with the amendment.
Roy Young seconded.
Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Hilbrecht said he would handle the AB 304 amendment.

Mr. Smith moved Do Pass AB 350.
McKissick seconded.
Motion unanimously passed.

Chairman Hilbrecht said that all of the Colorado River bills would be heard jointly with the Senate Committee on Federal State and Local Governments in the Senate between 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. Thursday, March 16. He urged the committee to be giving consideration to AB 345, 347, 348, ~~350~~, 352 and 402.

The Clerk was notified to advise Mr. Getto that his presentation on behalf of AB 348 would be welcomed at the Wednesday, March 8 meeting.

Meeting adjourned.