

Assembly

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

NEVADA STATE LEGISLATURE, 54TH SESSION

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Norman Glaser at 2:20 P.M. January 25, 1967 in Ways and Means Committee Room

Present: Jacobsen, Howard, Harris, Young, Ashworth, Bowler, Glaser Mello

Absent: Geraldine Tyson. Also present, Howard Barrett and Bob Bruce - press and member of League of Women Voters

Chairman Glaser asked Committee members to turn to page 437 to use about 30 minutes for discussion of salary adjustment fund for classified employees. Mr. Bruce suggested that if salary adjustments could be gone through and some sort of agreement come to in each and every budget beforehand, a great deal of time could be saved. Mr. Barrett said the Governor felt very strongly about paying adequate salaries to top state employees. He said Jim Wittenberg of the Personnel Office would discuss it also, using salary survey and comparison of salaries in private industry. If the position could not be found in Nevada, they went out of state for it. Figures always lag behind because the salary increases effective July 1 are based on figures developed the previous September, so they are already one year behind. This is reason for making raises effective Feb. 1 rather than July 1. Moneys are in supplemental budget now. General discussion. Mr. Barrett left at 2:32.

Discussion unclassified, pages 439 and 440. Cost of raising first year, \$124,420,000; 2nd year for each, \$54,700.

Page 290 - applies to all but Supreme Court and Legislative Counsel Bureau. All Counsel Bureau unclassified. Discussion of raises Feb. 1 or July 1.

Bode Howard asked about salary drop for McDonald's assistant, Page 78. Decided perhaps because of compensatory time. Mr. McDonald doesn't put in for an increase, but relies on Counsel Bureau. Legislative Commission sets his salary. Legislature must appropriate money. Discussion Legal Research Assistant No. 2. Mr. Young asked Bob Bruce to run down the Feb. 1-July 1 as to cost, etc. classified and unclassified. Mr. Bruce suggested if possible he could bring Mr. Wittenberg over to discuss it. Mr. Glaser suggested he could be scheduled Friday from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. Discussion teachers, Page 437.

Senators Hug and Hecht came in at 2:58 briefly.

Chairman Glaser asked Committee members to review material they have on salaries so they can be discussed in more detail later.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:03 P.M.

Norman D. Glaser, Chairman

Agnes M. Nelson, Committee Stenographer