

## Assembly

### WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

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#### NEVADA STATE LEGISLATURE, 54TH SESSION

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Norman D. Glaser at 8:39 A.M. February 16, 1967 in Ways and Means Committee Room.

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

Also present: Bob Bruce, Fiscal Analyst; Howard Barrett (8:56)  
Education Dept. sheet passed out, State School Distributive Fund - following page 121 in Distributive School Fund Sheets. Chairman Glaser said this sheet showed some variations in the Peabody Formula.

Studied Motor Pool, Page 47. Mr. Harris felt strongly about State Employees taking state cars home and driving them "all over." Discussed having Paul Tutino back to ask about this. Discussed Legislative Intent. Could draft letter.

Howard moved "do pass", second by Jacobsen to express legislative intent about use of cars. Discussion. Mr. Jacobsen said Legislative Commission had a report from Mr. Terrell that charges will have to be readjusted, money coming in from cars not taking care of retirement, they are getting too old. Bob Bruce said they are trying to get a better cost system in the Pool. Rates are unrealistic, Avis and Hertz. Mr. Barrett said he felt it was cheaper to buy than to lease. Chairman Glaser asked Mr. Barrett about policy on taking cars home at night. He said it was their policy not to have this done, although sometimes it is reasonable, as when a man is going to Las Vegas at 4:00 A.M., rather than having his wife drive him down to Bureau when it doesn't open until 7:00. Some people have to have a certain car assigned them, must go at least 1,000 miles a month on state business to have this privilege. Mileage is checked periodically. Mr. Bruce said people resented when they saw state cars at the grocery store. Mention of using to distribute papers, people didn't know they were from Childrens' Home. Mr. Barrett said he wanted to know of any complaints. Senate has passed bill to give money for motor pool cars, tied in with new positions in General Fund budgets, by giving now rather than in budget they could get cars faster, would go into Motor Pool.

Vote taken on above motion. Motion carried.

Planning Board - Page 49. Discussion - Building space rental, operating, etc. Urban Planner (federally funded). Senate Finance Committee added this position. Barrett said this was deleted because they felt there were sufficient positions. Mr. Jacobsen said his Sub-Committee had not yet had a chance to contact this agency and he would like it held. Chairman asked Mr. Jacobsen to have his Sub-Committee consider advance planning on the Legislative Building, see if they think \$25,000 enough for advance planning if he is given the draftsman.

Tax Commission - Page 51. Tax Examiners. Mr. Jacobsen said that from the Legislative Commission meeting of the day before, it looks like there are lots of problems in the Tax Commission - loss of \$200,000 - not enough collection agents to make the rounds. Mr. Ashworth moved hold until they have a chance to do serious audit. Second by Bowler. Discussion - Mr. Jacobsen said Committee will have to follow up on these things, auditor won't be back for couple of years. Make sure recommendations are complied with. One member of the Commission says if this much is admitted lost, probably it is more like \$1,000,000. Write letter to the Agency or call

them in before the Committee or indicate Legislative intent. Mr. Jacobsen said it was indicated in the Commission meeting there was serious thought of cutting down the audit program soon. Chairman Glaser said he would like to have members read audit and asked Mr. Ashworth if he could, to get over to the Auditor's office and talk to him for 30 minutes.

Mr. Harris asked if all employees are necessary, should have job analyst to see if people working. Mr. Jacobsen said it might be a good idea, but an administrative problem, not that of the Legislature. Glaser asked if they are staffed to do this. Mr. Barrett said they are not in a position of soliciting business because they're so busy.

Veterans' Affairs - Page 56. Discussion of man in Las Vegas. \$9,500 both years. Mrs. Tyson said she felt whether Democrat or Republican, member of the party out of power should resign and she thinks the man in question should have done so. Mr. Bowler said he had asked Russ McDonald about this, he would report back, there is a legal way. Mr. Bowler was asked to follow up on this. Hold.

Department of Economic Development. Young moved, Second by Jacobsen, that budget be approved as Governor recommended. Bode Howard out, wait until he comes back. Mrs. Tyson said that since the meeting and discussion about the \$6,600, as far as survey is concerned she has discussed it at some length with Lt. Governor Fike and it seems to be his feeling that quite a bit could be gained from this survey and that it is not his intention to get carried away with \$60,000 or \$70,000. Bode Howard back. 9:37. Clark Russell had been in favor of program. Vote on above motion. Motion carried.

Commission on Equal Rights - Page 60. Wanted about \$15,000 more to open up a Reno branch, include additional man, office rent, etc. Sr. Clerk-Steno. Mr. Young said he felt the Committee should probably go along with this. Mr. Bowler said he felt we would be making a big mistake not to along with this program. Mrs. Tyson moved that Committee approve this budget as amended and include the Sr. Clerk Steno and Investigator at salaries set up under request. Mr. Bowler Seconded. Mr. Barrett said equipment is needed, if we set up approve the amount that the Agency requested then look at it. Mrs. Tyson changed her motion to approve as per the Agency Request plus the amount for office space rental. Second by Harris. Mr. Jacobsen said he had one thought, he didn't see why there wasn't something better to call the man than an "investigator." Couldn't he be "deputy" or "assistant!..Agency request \$42,906 - add \$1,570. No further discussion. Vote. Motion carried.

Indian Affairs Commission - Page 62. Salary, Executive Director. \$7,500.? Harris - looks bad to put this man down to \$7,500. Bowler - unless delete program going to have to go along. Mrs. Tyson suggested continue this budget until we have more information. Hold.

Harris moved we adjourn until afternoon. Second by Ashworth. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned, 9:50 A.M. until 2:00 P.M. this day.