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WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

NEVADA STATE LEGISLATURE, 54TH SESSION

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Norman D. Glaser at 1:02 P.M. February 22, 1967 in Ways and Means Committee Room.

Present: Mello, Tyson, Glaser, Howard, Jacobsen

Absent: Young, Harris, Bowler, Ashworth (came in at 1:10)

Bob Bruce and member of the Press attending.
Russell McConnel and Robert Robinson, Community Action Program (Anti-Poverty effort) attending so they can observe procedure to follow when they present their requests. Mrs. Helen Burns of Adult Education Class, Reno High School, attending to give oral and written report back to the class.

Chairman Glaser mentioned budgets to be gone over.

Page 62 - Indian Affairs. Mrs. Tyson requested this be held open a little longer.

Supreme Court - hold open. A bill passed out of Senate Finance setting up a five man board has run into trouble. Wait and see.

Page 73 - Printing Office. Hold.

Mrs. Burns was asked by the chairman if she planned to give a report. She said that she was interested in AB 89, but that she was merely making a report back to the Adult Education program in Reno.

Page 140 - Vocational Education. Howard moved "do pass", Tyson seconded. Motion carried.

Ashworth out - 1:15

Page 142 - Manpower Training and Development. Jacobsen moved "do pass", Mello seconded. Motion carried.

Page 144 - Civil Defense Adult Education. Howard moved "do pass", Jacobsen seconded. Motion carried.

Page 146 - Eight State Rocky Mountain Project. Tyson moved "do pass," seconded by Mello. Motion carried.

Ashworth back - 1:25

Page 147 - Driver Training. Jacobsen moved stay with Governor's recommendation. Seconded by Ashworth. Motion carried.

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Page 148 - Elementary and Secondary Education Act - Title I. Jacobsen moved "do pass," seconded by Mello. Motion carried.

Page 150 - Elementary and Secondary Education Act, Title II. Tyson moved "do pass," second by Mello. Motion carried.

Page 152 - Elementary and Secondary Education Act, Title V. Mello moved "do pass," second by Ashworth. Motion carried.

Page 154 - Nevada State Library. Mr. Jacobsen asked this be held a day or two.

Mr. Ashworth asked Bob Bruce if it would be possible to go through all of these budgets and find out how much is being spent for libraries and books - total of money from the General Fund for University, Department of Education, see if there is duplication. Bob said he would look into it.

Page 157 - Library Construction - \$5,000 from Fleischmann 67-68. Howard moved "do pass," second by Mello - Motion carried.

Page 157 - Top of Page - Library Construction - Account Code 37041. Tyson moved "do pass," second by Mello. Motion carried.

Page 158 - Title III - Inter-Library Cooperation... recess to go into session - no action.

Meeting recessed 1:35 until session recess.

Meeting resumed at 1:56 P.M. All members present except Mr. Young. Also present, Jim Roberts and Mr. Barrett of Budget office; Bob Bruce, Mrs. Burns. Mr. Bowler said people had been contacting him on AB 6. Chairman Glaser said the Committee would have to look at some budget concepts and ideas, then tell the Taxation Committee what is needed.

Page 173 - Preventive Medical Services. Lillian Bergevin, Business Manager, Nevada State Health Department, and Edward J. Dehne, M. D. Dr. P.H., Nevada State Health Officer, appeared to present their budget requests. Miss Bergevin took over, explaining their needs, beginning with Preventive Medical Services. She said they had asked for five new positions, one had been recommended, that of nutritional consultant who would service many programs. She said Nurse, No. II, was deleted. This person would give supervision needed in eastern part of the state. She went on to discuss Environmental Health, Page 176, in which she said there were many new programs, which accounts for new positions. Dr. Dehne said the Department is doing things never done before concerning sanitation in connection with the tourist industry, trying to make a good impression with Nevada facilities - sanitary inspection of schools, which has not been kept up, water pollution control. He said there are serious problems in connection with Colorado River, Lake Mead and Tahoe, now the problems of his department.

Press - 2:15

Chairman Glaser said a bill was introduced this day to upgrade standards in packing plants in Nevada and transfer this from the Department of Health to the Department of Agriculture and asked whether the Health Department had

any objection to the bill? He said there are 1/2 dozen little packing plants operating with some degree of responsibility.

Dr. Dehne said he didn't mind having qualified people doing an inspection job, but that in mining for instance, it is not good. Chairman Glaser asked if he would look into it and give comments. Mrs. Tyson asked if they were going to put some teeth in the air pollution program. Dr. Dehne said they were. He said legislation had been prepared and sent to the Bill Drafter. It would cover all areas of the state, not just city areas and would be similar to that enacted in Arizona. Some money should be coming from the federal government for both water and air pollution. Mr. Roberts discussed new positions, page 177. Subject of Dr. Wally White and his retirement brought up.

Dr. Ravenholt, head of Health Department, in at 2:24.

Crippled Childrens' Services and Maternal and Child Health. Page 180.

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No staff increases asked for. This/all medical services rendered to crippled children. Doctors agreed to go along with current fee schedule until July 1 but will have to be adjusted to go along with what California did. It will cost this much to render services now being given.

Washoe Maternity now phasing out. Chairman Glaser asked eligibility requirements. Miss Bergevin said as determined by the program director according to income of family, etc.

Chairman Glaser asked if Title 19, Medicare, affects this budget? Mr. Barrett suggest Dr. Ravenholt answer. He said Title 19 wouldn't change costs for crippled children. There will be need for continuation of Crippled Children program even with Title 19. Dr. Ravenholt discussed this. Problem of Birth Control brought up. Mr. Ashworth wanted to know why there was \$50,000 for this item in the Crippled Childrens' budget. Mr. Barrett said because Maternal Health is included there. Dr. Ravenholt said this was for Family Planning Clinics, a program developed both in Reno and Las Vegas. He said the program was very well accepted and that the lower economic income people were accepting it, number of births have decreased.

Dental Health - Page 182. Asked for and received one additional position. Discussion flouridation of water, have less than 1/3 the tooth problems when this is done.

Page 184 - Vital Statistics - Two additional positions - granted one. Registration for adoptions very time-consuming. Very little equipment..typewriter for new clerk, etc. 100% state appropriated. More than 1/2 of the cost returned to the General Fund. Charges for births and deaths. Marriage and Divorce separate. Mr. Jacobsen asked about data processing in connection with this. They said they are in favor of it. They have some records which cannot be taken from their office, however.. birth and death records.

Bureau of Health Facilities - Page 186. Asked for 3 new positions and two were granted.

Special Childrens' Clinic - Page 189. Asked for 12 additional people. None were recommended. Would have provided for developing staff at clinics. Chairman Glaser asked if a bill is introduced to set up cottages, if it passes would it affect this budget. Dr. Dehne said no, Mental Retard doesn't take care of these children until they reach school age - this is pre-school children.

Venereal Disease Control - Page 191. Federally funded.

TB Mobile Unit - Page 192. Federally Funded.

TB Care - Page 195. Case load increasing. Dr. Ravenholt discussed. Chairman Glaser told Mr. Roberts that if they were to have a supplemental request before the session ends, be sure and let the Committee know.

Merv Flanders, Services to the Blind and Grant Harris, State Alcoholism Division, came in hoping to present their budgets. They were postponed until the following day.

Home Health Services Program. Page 200. General fund money. Chairman Glaser asked why didn't governor make recommendation on this budget. Mr. Roberts said there were certain other proposed programs in the same area, wanted to look at all - also "hold the line" policy.

Meeting adjourned at 3:20 P.M.

Norman D. Glaser, Chairman

Agnes M. Nelson, Committee Stenographer