

## Assembly

MINUTES - WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE - NEVADA STATE LEGISLATURE  
54TH SESSION MARCH 28, 1967

Meeting called to order by Chairman Glaser at 3 PM in the Ways and Means Room.

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

Also present: Bob Bruce, Howard Barrett

Present to speak on SB 64: Senator Farr, Keith Henrikson, Federated Fire Fighters of Nev.

Keith Henrikson said they were prepared to prove that heart disease is an occupational disease of firemen; that such legislation is constitutional; and that of the 18 states having this legislation, none have had other occupations follow suit; and that the costs would not be excessive - this Session legislation has been passed costing NIC \$672,000. They expect no increase in rates to incur from this coverage. He also pointed out that extensive research has been done on this, hearings held, and the Senate committee passed it out with unanimous vote, Senate passed it with 18-0, and Public Health and Morals Committee of the Assembly reported it out with 7-0 do pass vote. It was brought before the Ways and Means Committee on the pretext it would cost the cities money. However, on page 2, line 8 of the bill, it does not say the cities will pay for the medical examination so thereby question how it would cost the cities any money whatsoever. The proposed amendment to the bill would be acceptable to us, though not as good as its present form. Regarding the present medical examinations, the costs that have been stated are not true. They would be more like \$2400-\$3000 for Reno.

Incidents of heart disease on the job: 2 injuries with lost time involved per year - individual cost \$1469; 2 to 5 fatalities over 5 year period - \$26,000 which includes an average cost of hospitalization before death. Estimates are based on our records plus those of NIC, which are not as complete.

Mr. Henrikson showed charts pointing out the higher incidence of heart disease among firemen - 39% higher - than other occupations. The source was the "International Firefighters Magazine" with the information compiled from all statistics provided from other cities in the country. This is backed up by Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, and also statistics from many Doctors and Specialists.

Senator Farr said this would require no outlay of money from a budgetorial standpoint. Most cities now require a physical examination and pay for it. However, the firemen will pay for this examination under SB 64 for themselves.

The heart specialists said that there was no way, even with the finest examination, to definitely determine if a man has heart disease. It would be possible for a fireman to be examined every year, have heart disease, and it not be detected before an attack. The stresses, extremes of hot and cold, smoke inhalation, etc. were emphasized by the Senator as having a causal relationship to inducing a heart attack. He told of the case of a fireman making a rescue being overcome with a heart attack, and the claim not being paid by NIC. They were told by attorneys they had a tort claim against the state, but since the man recovered and had insurance which did cover, they decided instead to cover this type instance with legislation. He went on to say that a fireman's life expectancy is averaged at 57 years of age. In other occupations or tasks, as shoveling snow, a person could quit for a time, but not firemen.

3/28/67

Keith Henrikson read from an article written by a Dr. from the State University of New York - Brooklyn- for "Modern Medicine" giving reasons why there is a higher susceptibility to heart disease among firemen. This included many of the reasons previously stated by Senator Farr. These extremes of hot and cold, smoke inhalation, etc. elevate the blood pressure, increase the pulse rate, etc. inducing a heart attack. "We can never reduce fatalities in firefighting if we allow damaged hearts to continue!" Mr. Henrikson said that if there is evidence of heart trouble from the examination, this would allow us to remove this man from the active firefighting work and thus remove him from the affect on this bill.

Senator Farr said the Sparks Fire Department has group insurance which covers for a period of time, but not off the job. This bill would be beneficial because of cost factors - lower - and also more benefits. They would still keep the group insurance if this bill should pass. The safeguard in the bill is that the firemen have to prove that the cause was related to and happened on the job.

Mr. Jacobsen expressed his objection to the bill not covering volunteer firemen whose stress is perhaps even more than that of the firemen who are well trained for this.

Mr. Henrikson said the requirements are the same for professionals as for volunteers. The reason for the 10 year requirement is that we could not find any actual proof that heart disease could develop in a period of less than 5 years. The Senate raised the 5 years to 10. There must be subjection to the extremes over a period of time before a causal relationship between heart disease and the job can be established. If the family wants the claim, they will submit to an autopsy for proof.

Senator Farr and Keith Henrikson left the meeting at 3:25 PM.

Page 311 Banking Division

Mr. Bowler moved that this budget be approved as the Governor recommends.  
Mr. Young seconded the motion.  
Motion passed unanimously.

Page 313 Savings and Loan Division

Mr. Ashworth moved that this budget be approved as the Governor recommends.  
Mr. Howard seconded the motion.  
Motion passed unanimously.

Page 315 Real Estate Division

There was discussion as to the travel item. Some members of the Board are coming here from Las Vegas, etc. and now are being paid actual expenses, rather than the system of other state employees. Discussion on the cost of printing the annual report on page 316. They said they spent more than the \$950 already. Discussion on what the professional services entailed.

Mr. Young moved that this budget be approved as the Governor recommends.  
Mr. Harris seconded the motion.  
Motion passed unanimously.

Page 317 Gaming Commission and Gaming Control Board

SB 362 and AB 483

Mr. Bruce distributed supplementals on unclassified salaries of Gaming Commission. Held.

Page 274 Nevada State Prison

Mr. Barrett distributed a Memo dated March 28 relative to this budget, adding the guards, etc. \$17,873 would be required for the supplemental (AB 486) to place guards at the new tower at Minimum Security - just for the rest of this year. Then the budget would take over. It would cost an additional \$27,568 for 67-68 and \$28,844 for 68-69 to include the needed 5 guards in the budget after the rest of this year with the supplemental.

Mr. Ashworth moved that AB 486 be amended down to \$17,873 and reported out with DO PASS.  
Mr. Young seconded the motion.  
Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Ashworth moved that we amend the budget to include 5 guards at \$27,568 for 67-68 and \$28,844 for 68-69.  
Mr. Young seconded the motion:  
Motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Young moved that the budget be approved as amended.  
Mr. Jacobsen seconded the motion.  
Motion passed unanimously.

Assignment on floor AB 486 - Ashworth.

Page 322 Dairy Commission SB 219

Mr. Barrett said that almost all are limited to the same rules and regulations as other state employees. This bill would have them on a different system whereby they would get actual expenses.

Mr. Mello moved that SB 219 be indefinitely postponed.  
Mr. Harris seconded the motion.

Mr. Young asked Mr. Mello if he would object to a travel increase of \$10 to \$20 per day which would be in line with other state employees and amend subsection 2 to comply with the rules of other state employees.

Mr. Mello and Mr. Harris withdrew their motions.

Mr. Mello moved that SB 219 be amended to require under subsection 2 accordance with the rules of other state employees and reported out with a DO PASS.  
Mr. Harris seconded the motion.  
Motion passed unanimously.

Assignment on floor and to get the amendment - Young.

Page 322 - Dairy Commission  
Mr. Young moved that this be approved.  
Mr. Bowler seconded the motion.  
Motion passed unanimously.

Page 324 Hoisting Engineer's License Fund

Mr. Ashworth moved this budget be approved.  
Mr. Bowler seconded the motion.  
Motion passed unanimously.

3/28/67

Page 325 Athletic Commission

Mr. Young moved that this be approved.  
Mr. Howard seconded the motion.  
Motion passed unanimously.

Page 326 Nevada Racing Commission

Mr. Young said the monies are raised from county fairs and any races held on a commercial basis. They can't keep over \$10,000 in the fund; the excess monies revert back to the county agricultural districts. Previous to the change in the law in 1965, the money reverted back to the counties and also some to the general fund. Out of the \$56,783 shown in the budget, collected from fees, must be paid expenses. The balance forward of \$40,348 must have been written before the distribution of the excess monies, suggested Mr. Barrett. He also said this was all the information we had, they are looking into this, and a better budget will be presented next time.

Mr. Young suggested that we send a letter to the Department of Administration requesting them to submit a more detailed analysis of the Racing Commission budget at the next regular session.

Mr. Bowler moved that this be approved as the Governor recommends with the stipulation of the above suggested letter being sent.  
Mr. Howard seconded the motion.  
Motion passed unanimously.

Page 326 Private Detective

Mr. Ashworth moved that this be approved.  
Mr. Mello seconded the motion.  
Motion passed unanimously.

Page 333 Division of Water Resources

It was suggested that a letter be sent to the Department of Administration requesting information as to the duties of the engineers listed in the budget.

Mr. Barrett said that there are a large number of budgets for the water people not in this budget. So, those under that budget of the Department would not be classified or unclassified or any such category.

There was discussion as to the necessity of all the engineers. Suggestion as to delete a Hydraulic Engineer on page 334. Mr. Howard said he would like to save this man. There is a tremendous workload - checking on wells and on the ground water basin. The many positions requested are from the suggested planning program which the Governor took out. If we are not in a situation to know just where we need water and where are the best agricultural districts, we are apt to be passed by when the water line is developed.

Mr. Young moved that this be approved as the Governor recommends.  
Mr. Howard seconded the motion.  
Motion passed unanimously.

Assembly  
Ways & Means  
Committee

(5)

3/28/67

24

Page 349 Division of State Parks

Mr. Young moved that this be approved as the Governor recommends.  
Mr. Mello seconded the motion.  
Motion passed unanimously.

Page 353 Division of Parks Capital Improvement Program

Held for the Senate bill on subject and Mrs. Tyson's Resolution. (Red Rock Canyon)

Page 390 Colorado River Commission

Held for Mrs. Tyson.

Page 393 Fort Mohave Valley Development Fund

This is connected with the Colorado River Commission.

Held for Mrs. Tyson.

SB 373: Empowers Board of Regents of University of Nevada to purchase land on deferred payment.

This is a permissive type bill - no funding involved. It would help Nevada Southern pick up land when available. By 1980 there will be 20,000 so this land in mind now would allow them to go to this figure. After that, more land will be required.

Mr. Ashworth spoke against deferred payments in government.

Mr. Bowler moved that SB 373 be reported out with a Do Pass.

Mr. Young said there was a bill similar to this on the general file which would allow counties to do the same thing.

Mr. Ashworth suggested we obtain more information on the nature of this bill.

SB 373 held.

AB 446: Initiates in Nevada application of Title XIX of the Social Security Act relating to the medically indigent.

Quenten Emery prepared material on this upon request from Mr. Glaser. He read this information to the committee and will copy and distribute to the members a copy of such which will be part of the minutes this date.

He pointed out that all this coverage was done in stages: by July, 1967 -picked up those under 21; by Dec, 1969, pick up everybody but the medically indigent alone; by Dec, 1975, conclusion by picking up all medical indigents. The cost to the counties with the advent of medicare was given in example of Clark County and Humboldt from the prepared chart, showing a net county savings from present costs.

Mr. Emery left the meeting.

Mr. Young suggested that we have Keith Mount in for a discussion on the Fire Marshall.

AB 401: Extends age limit of children placed in custody of welfare division of department of health and welfare and permits probationary placement in

3/28/67

This bill (AB 401) was previously killed. However, Assemblyman Foote has prepared some amendments which might cause a change of action.

Page 1, line 3 inserted after "When" would be " in the judgment of the court"

Page 2, section 3 delete line 25 and replace it with "child means person less than 19 or if in school until graduated from highschool"

Page 3, line 2 delete the word "without" and insert "with notification to court but without formal application"

Mr. Howard moved that AB 401 be re-referred to the Committee on Social Welfare.

Mr. Mello seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 4:55 PM.

Department of Administration  
March 28, 1967

TO: Norman Glaser, Chairman  
Ways and Means Committee

FROM: Howard E. Barrett

Yesterday your committee asked for a cost figure on adding guards to the Prison budget to man its new tower behind the new dining facility. To provide 24 hour coverage, 7 days per week plus sick and annual leave coverage would require 5 men.

	<u>1967-68</u>	<u>1968-69</u>
5 guards	\$25,320	\$26,520
Industrial Insurance	142	149
Retirement	1,471	1,540
Personnel Assessment	275	275
Group Insurance	360	360
Total	<u>\$27,568</u>	<u>\$28,844</u>

The supplemental request (AB 486) for \$44,633 was intended by the Warden to provide funds to hire as of April 1 the new positions in the Governor's original recommendation plus the new position asked by the Warden beyond the original recommendation, except those positions (13) for its two towers and dormitory at Minimum which will not be completed before July 1.

If the Legislature provided for the original recommendation plus the guards at the tower at Minimum an amount of \$17,873 would be required to implement the positions as of April 1.

New correctional positions recommended in budget 67-69	19
Additional positions for tower at Maximum	5
Less position not needed until July 1	<u>13</u>
Total needed April 1	11

These were planned to be:

3 Lieutents	\$19,296
2 Sergeants	17,568
6 Correctional Officers	<u>30,384</u>
	<u>\$67,248</u>
1/4 of year	\$16,812
Industrial Insurance	94
Retirement	967
	<u>\$17,873</u>

The writing of this memo should not be construed as a recommendation for less than the Wardens full request.

	1966-67 Present <u>Salaries</u>	1967-68 Recommended <u>Increase 10%</u>	1967-68 <u>Salaries</u>	1968-69 Recommended <u>Increase 3%</u>	1968-69 <u>Salaries</u>
--	---------------------------------------	---	----------------------------	--	----------------------------

NEVADA GAMING COMMISSION STAFF

1. Ass't Exec. Secretary	\$ 9,936	\$ 973	\$ 10,909	\$ 321	\$ 11,230
2. Tax Administrator I	9,456	925	10,381	306	10,687
3. Tax Administrator II	8,568	836	9,404	276	9,680
4. Confidential Secretary	7,416	721	8,137	238	8,375
5. Tax & License Examiner	6,912	671	7,583	222	7,805
6. Tax & License Examiner	6,144	594	6,738	196	6,934
7. Research Assistant	6,432	623	7,055	206	7,261
8. Program Specialist	6,144	594	6,738	196	6,934
9. Administrative Assistant	6,144	594	6,738	196	6,934
	<u>\$ 67,152</u>	<u>\$ 6,531</u>	<u>\$ 73,683</u>	<u>\$ 2,157</u>	<u>\$ 75,840</u>

STATE GAMING CONTROL BOARD  
INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

10. Chief	\$ 13,992	\$ 1,379	\$ 15,371	\$ 455	\$ 15,826
11. Agent	11,520	1,132	12,652	374	13,026
12. Agent	10,440	1,024	11,464	336	11,800
13. Agent	10,440	1,024	11,464	336	11,800
14. Agent	10,440	1,024	11,464	336	11,800
15. Agent	9,936	973	10,909	321	11,230
16. Agent	7,416	721	8,137	238	8,375
17. Administrative Ass't (C.)	6,744				
18. Princ. Clk. Steno (C.)	5,568				
	<u>\$ 86,496</u>	<u>\$ 7,277</u>	<u>\$ 81,461</u>	<u>\$ 2,396</u>	<u>\$ 83,857</u>



STATE GAMING CONTROL BOARD (Cont'd)AUDIT DIVISION

	<u>1966-67 Present Salaries</u>	<u>1967-68 Recommended Increase 10%</u>	<u>1967-68 Salaries</u>	<u>1968-69 Recommended Increase 3%</u>	<u>1968-69 Salaries</u>
19. Chief	\$ 13,992	\$ 1,379	\$ 15,371	\$ 455	\$ 15,826
20. Agent	10,440	1,024	11,464	336	11,800
21. Agent	9,936	973	10,909	321	11,230
22. Agent	9,936	973	10,909	321	11,230
23. Agent	9,936	973	10,909	321	11,230
24. Agent	9,936	973	10,909	321	11,230
25. Agent	9,936	973	10,909	321	11,230
26. Agent	9,936	973	10,909	321	11,230
27. Agent	7,776	757	8,533	250	8,783
28. Agent	7,200	700	7,900	231	8,131
29. Statistical Analyst	<u>5,304</u>	<u>510</u>	<u>5,814</u>	<u>169</u>	<u>5,983</u>
Total	<u>\$104,328</u>	<u>\$ 10,208</u>	<u>\$114,536</u>	<u>\$ 3,367</u>	<u>\$117,903</u>

ENFORCEMENT DIVISION

30. Chief	\$ 12,696	\$ 1,249	\$ 13,945	\$ 412	\$ 14,357
31. Agent	9,936	973	10,909	321	11,230
32. Agent	9,936	973	10,909	321	11,230
33. Agent, Electronics	9,696	949	10,645	313	10,958
34. Agent	9,456	925	10,381	306	10,687
35. Agent	9,000	880	9,880	291	10,171
36. Agent	8,568	836	9,404	276	9,680
37. Agent	8,568	836	9,404	276	9,680
38. Agent	8,568	836	9,404	276	9,680
39. Agent	8,568	836	9,404	276	9,680
40. Agent	8,568	836	9,404	276	9,680
41. Agent	8,160	796	8,956	263	9,219
42. Agent	8,160	796	8,956	263	9,219
43. Agent	8,160	796	8,956	263	9,219
44. Agent	7,776	757	8,533	250	8,783
45. Statistical Analyst	<u>5,568</u>	<u>536</u>	<u>6,104</u>	<u>177</u>	<u>6,281</u>
Total	<u>\$141,384</u>	<u>\$ 13,810</u>	<u>\$155,194</u>	<u>\$ 4,560</u>	<u>\$159,754</u>

STATE GAMING CONTROL BOARD (Cont'd)  
OFFICE, LEGAL & CLERICAL

	<u>1966-67</u> <u>Present</u> <u>Salaries</u>	<u>1967-68</u> <u>Recommended</u> <u>Increase 10%</u>	<u>1967-68</u> <u>Salaries</u>	<u>1968-69</u> <u>Recommended</u> <u>Increase 3%</u>	<u>1968-69</u> <u>Salaries</u>
46. Manager (Carson City)	\$ 12,696	\$ 1,249	\$ 13,945	\$ 412	\$ 14,357
47. Manager (Las Vegas)	10,968	1,076	12,044	355	12,399
48. Public Information Officer	12,096	1,189	13,285	393	13,678
49. Files Supervisor	6,744	654	7,398	216	7,614
50. Administrative Ass't.	6,576	637	7,213	211	7,424
51. Confidential Secretary	5,568	536	6,104	177	6,281
52. Administrative Ass't.	5,568	536	6,104	177	6,281
53. Principal Clk. Typist (C.)	5,064				
54. Senior Clk. Typist (C.)	5,064				
55. Senior Clk. Steno (C.)	5,052				
56. Senior Clk. Typist (C.)	4,824				
57. Senior Clk. Typist (C.)	4,368				
58. Senior Clk. Typist (C.)	4,368				
59. Principal Clk. Typist (C.)	4,272				
60. Senior Clk. Typist (C.)	4,176				
½. Legal Researcher (½ time)	2,784	139	2,923	47	2,970
<b>Total</b>	<u>\$100,188</u>	<u>\$ 6,016</u>	<u>\$ 69,016</u>	<u>\$ 1,988</u>	<u>\$ 71,004</u>
<b>60½. Grand Total</b>	<u>\$499,548</u>	<u>\$ 43,842</u>	<u>\$493,890</u>	<u>\$ 14,468</u>	<u>\$508,358</u>

Present Executive Salaries which are not included above but are set by Statute:

Nevada Gaming Commission	
Executive Secretary . . . . .	\$13,200
State Gaming Control Board	
Chairman . . . . .	15,840
Member . . . . .	15,840
Member . . . . .	15,840