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WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

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Meeting was called to order by Chairman Norman D. Glaser at 9:00 A.M. March 6, 1967 in Ways and Means Committee Room.

Present: Young, Harris, Tyson, Howard, Mello, Glaser, Bowler, Jacobsen (9:16), Ashworth (9:35)

Absent: None Also present: Bob Bruce, Howard Barrett, Judge Thompson, Bob Davenport

AB 156 - Entitles widows of District Judges to receive benefits at an earlier age. Mr. Barrett said he did not know the background. Mrs. Tyson said she would like to see the background checked first. Set up entirely from general fund. This is a non-contributing retirement. Generally speaking, get 1/3 at end of 12 years; 2/3 at end of 20 years upon reaching age of 60. Two years ago, widows raised from 150 to 350.00. He has no knowledge of the history of these bills, presumed they are to take care of one or two people, widows who might qualify if the age is lowered to 55.

Judge Thompson and Mr. Davenport left.

Chairman Glaser said he would like to have the Committee work more on Assembly Bills and start holding most of the Senate Bills.

AB 6 - AB 89 - AB 8 - to be discussed as soon as possible.

Mrs. Tyson went to check on background on AB 156 and AB 157. She said they were requested by Judge Grant Bowen. If any judge asks for this type of legislation, then it is his duty to see that it is drawn up and sent to Judiciary committees of the Senate and Assembly. He is bound to ask for this type of legislation if it is requested.

Mr. Howard moved that the Committee indefinitely postpone any action on AB 156 or 157. Tyson seconded. Motion carried.

AB 89 - has to do with providing certain assistance to local adult high school diploma programs. Cost is \$65,000 first year and \$85,000 the second. Mr. Jacobsen moved indefinite postponement, seconded by Harris. Motion carried.

AB 8 - Establishes Grand Army of the Republic Civil War Cemetery in Reno as State Monument. Originally called for \$1,000 from the General Fund. Mary Frazzini had amendment drawn which she would like to have submitted for Committee's consideration. Mr. Howard said he talked to Mr. McCarthy, State Board of Education. He has been maintaining this out of his own pocket. Others have contributed. There is to be a dedication ceremony in July. Mr. Howard thinks it very worthwhile. The Park Service won't do anything. Mr. Bowler moved "Amend and do pass," seconded by Harris. Motion carried.

AB 6 - bill on agricultural research demonstration in Pahrump Valley. Feeling of Sub-Committee in regard to this, this money, unless it comes through the bill; is so far down the line on priorities it will never see the light of day. Our feeling that it should be set up in AB 6. Mrs. Tyson said a man with unlimited funds, Ken Davis, is working in the Amargosa Valley. She believes this is a chance to really begin to develop this area. Some sort of program has to be started and this will not happen unless AB 6 is passed. The University is not going to have enough money left in the budget to do

this. Mr. Glaser asked if she thought if it was passed out with about 1/2 the money asked for, along with the Ken Davis trust fund money, could it be done. Mrs. Tyson said Mr. Davis is not obligated in any way. Just has many sections of land under control, is only developer - very sincere and she thinks he will continue. Mr. Glaser said it would be good to be able to put the land on the tax roll. Mr. Young said if Committee puts it in the University budget, will never know whether they spend it down there. Mrs. Tyson said it is way down on the University's priority list and will get lost in the shuffle. She spoke as far as the Sub-Committee is concerned. She asked if there were any objections to her checking it out further, talking to Mr. Hafen and coming back to Committee. Mr. Jacobsen asked what the Planning Board planned on doing, suggested she might be able to get information there. Would take a long time, maybe five years, cost to \$150,000. Mr. Glaser said maybe if they amend it could set it up for a 5 year program initially.

Press came in at 9:45.

Discussion of two other areas - Pahrump, Sandy Valley. Mrs. Tyson to get report back. Mr. Glaser said it should get over to the Senate because it will have to mature a little bit over there.

Were going to have Tom Buckman come in on retirement bill, he is unhappy, was waiting to be heard. Mr. Mello said he thought they had decided to have him and Ken Buck at the same time. Decided to do this. Mr. Bowler said they should finalize what they are going to do this weekend. Mr. Glaser said the Committee has considered going down and look at Nevada Southern. Those who can't go will be excused. Members are going at their own expense. Agenda down there discussed. All members but Roy Young are going. Decided to visit prison on Tuesday, have lunch and review facilities and go over budget right there and then. Members to meet in Ways and Means Room at 11:30 A.M.-to review bills at 8:30 a.m. At 2:00 P.M. this day, go over retirement bills. Wednesday - finalize budgets. Asked for report from Education and Health and Welfare committees. Mrs. Tyson said she was only ready to report on certain phases of education. She would rather go to Nevada Southern first.

Meeting adjourned at 10:05 A.M.

Norman D. Glaser, Chairman

Agnes M. Nelson, Committee Stenographer