

Assembly

MINUTES OF MEETING - WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE - NEVADA STATE LEGISLATURE
54TH SESSION APRIL 13, 1967

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Glaser at 4:20 PM in the Ways and Means Room.

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

Absent: Tyson

Mrs. Brookman was present to discuss the Resolution^{*} calling for 4 State flags to be appropriated to Fort Knox. She said we were the only state left not having a flag there. The original figure was decreased to \$16 for the 4 flags which would be 3x5 in size. They can't be just bought and donated; it must go through via this Resolution.

SB 251: Appropriates money for support of Spring Mountain Youth Camp in Clark County

Senator Lamb was present to discuss this subject. He said there are 50 boys there and this bill calls for \$72,000 each year for the next biennium. They have a good program there and this actually saves money for the State because it would cost much more to send these boys to Elko.

Mr. Bowler spoke of the contributions received by this institution, especially from the promoters of the boxing matches held with the participation of the boys from Spring Mountain with various groups such as the Job Corps. They also receive county money and private donations.

Mr. Jacobsen spoke of this institution getting bogged down between every session in politics, etc. and headline the papers.

SB 137: Makes extensive changes in provisions relating to vital statistics

Senator Dodge was present to speak on this subject. He said this bill had been amended several times to make it favorable to all parties concerned in the working of it. Centralized birth and death records have been maintained in the Division of Vital Statistics for several years. However, marriage and divorce information is still not centralized. Anyone wanting information on this must request it from each separate county. In view of the state catering to this type of thing, this centralized marriage and divorce information provided by this bill would be advantageous.

An extra \$1 fee would be tagged onto the marriage certificate, the revenue going to the general fund, and the certificate would be sent to the Division of Vital Statistics where just the facts would be copied off - names, dates, etc. - and then the original certificate would be forwarded to the individuals. There is no authorization for certification of copies, etc. and no loss of revenue to the clerks in the county. Further and more detailed information would be available from the county, but these facts in the Division of Vital Statistics would allow answers to the many requests received. There is no money other than the extra \$1 on the certificate fee involved and the present staff can handle this. Over 40 states in the country have this kind of centralized system.

Discussion on a loss of business from this extra \$1 fee. Feeling of the committee that it would be negligible.

Jim Guinan said the American Bar Association is sponsoring this type of centralized system. This is a national program of the Bar Association.

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SB 251: Appropriates money for support of Spring Mountain Youth Camp in Clark County

Discussion on the last minute approach for this being bad. Discussion on their doing this every Session. Discussion on the amount asked for. Mr. Jacobsen and Mr. Mello said they would go for \$50,000 rather than the \$72,000.

Mr. Bowler pointed out that the programs at Spring Mountain are being expanded, so this money is not just an increase on a static thing. It is less expensive to send the boys there than to Elko. If the boys didn't go to Spring Mountain they would be a state responsibility.

Mr. Mello said they are partially a state problem right now and as long as we continue to give them money they will be, even though the county started the project.

Mr. Jacobsen expressed his doubt over good useage of the monies we have given them in the past with which they made capital improvements. He thought management was not good and things were in bad shape the last time he visited the institution. The state putting more money in there all the time is strapping us to them.

Discussion on being presented with a budget showing how the money is used rather than just direct and untied allocations.

Mr. Bowler moved that SB 251 be reported out with a DO PASS. (\$72,000 each year)
Mr. Ashworth seconded the motion.

Mr. Young moved that the motion be amended to \$50,000 (each year).
Mr. Howard seconded the motion.
Mr. Harris voted no.
Motion carried.

Mr. Ashworth moved that SB 251 as amended be reported out with a DO PASS.
Mr. Bowler seconded the motion.

Mr. Mello moved that the motion be amended to \$50,000 for both years (\$25,000 each)
Mr. Jacobsen seconded the motion.
Mr. Young, Ashworth, Bowler, Howard voted no.
Motion lost.

On the motion to report SB 215 as amended to \$50,000 each year out with a DO PASS.
Motion carried.

Assignment for floor: Ashworth

SB 137: Makes extensive changes in provisions relating to vital statistics

Mr. Young moved that SB 137 be reported out with a DO PASS.
Mr. Harris seconded the motion.
Motion passed unanimously.

Assignment for floor: Young

Mr. Harris moved that SB 64 (Fireman's Heart Bill) be reconsidered.
Mr. Mello seconded the motion.
Motion lost.

SB 513: Makes appropriation to state planning board for remodeling of supreme court and state library building.

This would be a minimum remodeling job to accomodate the extra 2 judges and take care of the interim until they can move into this building after the completion of the legislative building. Bill calls for \$20,000.

Mr. Young moved that SB 513 be reported out with a DO PASS.
Mr. Howard seconded the motion.
Motion passed unanimously.

SB 503: Makes appropriation for payment of stale state warrants

Mr. Jacobsen moved that SB 503 be reported out with a DO PASS.
Mr. Howard seconded the motion.
Motion passed unanimously.

Assignment for floor: Ashworth

SB 220: Makes appropriation for football team at Nevada Southern University

This is a one-shot deal - reversion clause included.

Mr. Bowler moved that SB 220 be reported out with a do pass
Mr. Ashworth seconded the motion.
Mr. Howard, Jacobsen, Mello, Harris voted no.
Motion lost.

SB 493: Requires comprehensive planning for capital improvements and new or expanded programs at University of Nevada

Mr. Glaser said that this requires the Regents to come to the Legislature with a 5 year and a 10 year program that they would keep updated each year.

Mr. Howard moved that SB 493 be reported out with a DO PASS.
Mr. Jacobsen seconded the motion.
Motion passed unanimously.

SB 393: Authorizes construction and operation of cottage type group care facilities for mentally retarded children

Frank Daykin said this is simply a bill which authorizes them to operate the facilities which has already been included in the budget and capital improvement program.

Mr. Young moved that SB 393 be reported out with a DO PASS.
Mr. Ashworth seconded the motion.
Motion passed unanimously.

SB 306: Creates educational communications commission

Mr. Glaser said that this commission would operate statewide. There are some facilities now - one in Clark County. Washoe County also may have one in their school district. The state commission would coordinate the activities in this field and allow transfer of programs between the various educational systems, even to the remote areas. This is a new field in education and a very important one. Mr. Glaser read from the bill the membership provision for the commission.

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Mr. Bowler moved that SB 306 be reported out with a DO PASS.

Mr. Young seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously.

Assignment for floor: Glaser

Mr. Glaser read a note of appreciation from Barbara Thornton who had testified in favor of keeping the Archives here.

Mr. Glaser read 2 letters from Howard Barrett dated April 12, 1967, copies of which are attached to the minutes.

One pertained to money for clearing out Hobart since the state will retain the system for another year. The other requested legislative intent on University out-of-state travel funds.

Mr. Glaser read the letter he had composed to answer the request for legislative intent.

Also attached are copies of the letters send to the Governor requesting the following items to be included in the call for Special Session per committee decision:

1. Prison Dairy Farm
2. Criminal Identifications Bureau
3. Marlette Water System

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM.

April 13, 1967

The Honorable Paul Laxalt
Governor, State of Nevada
Carson City, Nevada

Dear Paul:

The Ways and Means Committee along with Senate Finance have jointly agreed that a further study on the sale of the Mariette Water System is advisable. We are, therefore, in the process of passing SCR 21 which calls upon the Legislative Commission to make a study of the Mariette Water System.

This study should determine (1) a true appraisal value of the water distribution system and (2) the possibility, in the event of a sale, of relieving the State of the total obligation of the water system including the Virginia City commitment. In the event that the Legislative Commission study indicates the desirability of a sale, it is respectfully requested that you include this in the call for a Special Session if one is held next year.

Very truly yours,

Norman D. Glaser, Chairman
Ways and Means Committee

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cc: Howard Barrett
Russell McDonald

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The Honorable Paul Laxalt
Governor, State of Nevada
Carson City, Nevada

Dear Paul:

As the Session draws to a close it is apparent that we have left undone several important matters and I am submitting them to you for possible action at a future Session of the Legislature.

The money committees of the Nevada Legislature explored in depth the possibility of establishing a criminal identifications bureau or adding a criminal identifications staff to the Attorney General's Office or to the Department of Motor Vehicles, Highway Patrol. In the conflicting mass of information that was gleaned by the two money committees, the criminal identifications movement was lost. However, I feel because of the background that we have obtained in this area that further consideration at a later date would result in positive action. I am, therefore, respectfully requesting that you consider adding this subject to the call if a Special Session is forthcoming.

In addition, I would also like to recommend for your consideration that Nevada join the Education Commission of the States and that \$8,000 be added to the budget for that purpose.

Very truly yours,

Norman D. Glaser, Chairman
Ways and Means Committee

NDG:bjw
cc: Howard Barrett

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The Honorable Paul Laxalt
Governor, State of Nevada
Carson City, Nevada

Dear Paul:

The Ways and Means Committee has considered the advisability of building a new dairy facility on the prison dairy farm. As a result of a trip to the farm and a subsequent meeting with all interested people, we would like to bring the following points to your attention.

1. There is need for a new aggressive farm manager.
2. Many improvements in operation and maintenance of the present facilities need to be made.
3. A detailed study of the economic feasibility of producing milk at the prison dairy farm for institutional consumption should be initiated.
4. A comprehensive review of the rehabilitation aspects and number of men involved should be determined.

If the foregoing studies prove that adding a new dairy facility is advantageous, I would respectfully suggest that you include this subject on the agenda for a Special Session, if one is held.

Very truly yours,

Norman D. Glaser, Chairman
Ways and Means Committee

NDG:bjw

cc: Warden Carl Hocker
S. D. Mastroianni, Health Division
William Hancock, State Planning Board
Dale Bohmont, Dean of School of Agriculture, University of Nevada
Howard Barrett, Budget Director, Department of Administration



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BUDGET DIVISION PERSONNEL DIVISION PURCHASING DIVISION DATA PROCESSING DIVISION BUILDINGS & GROUNDS DIVISION

April 12, 1967

MEMORANDUM

TO: Norman Glaser, Chairman
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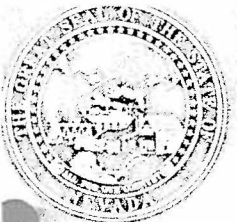
FROM: Howard E. Barrett, Budget Director

As you know, the Budget Director must approve requests for out-of-state travel. The only reason for denial of permission is lack of funds.

We have attempted to hold the agencies to the amount in that category that was used as a basis for the appropriation. This is easy to ascertain in all agencies but the University of Nevada.

If I am expected to hold the University of Nevada out-of-state travel to legislative intent may I please have an indication of that intent in order to avoid later problems with the University of Nevada.

HEB:r
cc: Bob Bruce



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Norman Glaser, Chairman
 Assembly Ways and Means Committee

FROM: Howard E. Barrett, Budget Director

If the State retains the Marlette Water System consideration should be given to finishing the project to clear out Hobart Reservoir.

A contract was let with Savage Construction for this purpose. The contract was awarded on a machine hour basis because it was impossible to tell the amount of peat moss, etc., that had to be removed. The work was stopped after the expenditure of \$15,000. The contractor estimates that \$50,000 is needed to complete the contract.

The cleaning of the reservoir will add to the water holding capacity but is needed mainly to remove the peat moss that adds an undesirable color and smell to the water.

Since the contractor left special equipment at the site and could start immediately it is recommended that the appropriation be made to continue the present contract thus avoiding the need to re-advertise.

HEB:r
cc: Bob Bruce