NEVADA LEGISLATURE - 54TH SESSION

SENATE COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

Minutes of Meeting Held March 15, 1967 8:00 a. m.

The 21st meeting of the Senate Committee on Federal, State, and Local Governments was called to order at 8:05 a.m. on Wednesday, March 15, 1967, by Chairman Gibson.

All committee members were present.

News reporter Cy Ryan entered the meeting at 8:20 a.m.

The Chairman announced there would be a hearing on S.B. 170 tomorrow at 1:00 p.m. He said he would arrange for Mr. Torvinen to appear and asked Senator Alleman, introducer of the bill, to contact other interested persons and have them appear at the meeting.

The following bills were considered:

A.B. 60: Provides uniform exemption from fees payable to county clerk by the state and its political subdivisions. Introduced by Committee on State, County, and City Affairs.

DISPOSITION: Senator Bunker moved "Do pass"; Senator Young seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

S.B. 151: Prohibits state contractors' board from issuing licenses to gas, electric or water utilities or their subsidiaries. Introduced by Senator Young.

Senator Young said he was not too vitally concerned with this bill, that if S.B. 199 is amended as proposed, S.B. 151 would be inconsistent with S.B. 199.

DISPOSITION: Senator Farr moved that the committee kill the bill; Senator Monroe seconded; motion passed unanimously.

S.B. 199: Prohibits public utility from installing, replacing or serving certain equipment beyond meter. Introduced by Senator Young.

Lengthy discussion took place. Senator Young proposed to amend the bill to allow utilities to continue to install & service equipment and appliances. Senator Farr objected to water utilities being included in the bill;

Senator Alleman not only favored the bill, but felt that the prohibition against utilities' making installations should be retained; Senator Monroe, opposing the bill, held that under a fair enterprise system, if the dealers can't compete, they shouldn't be protected by this type of legislation; Senator Young held that utilities, being monopolies, are not competing on a fair, free-enterprise basis.

DISPOSITION: Senator Young moved that "we amend the bill by deleting line 4 and substitute therefor: "rent, sell or otherwise furnish equipment or appliances in any loca-". Senator Alleman seconded the motion. The motion lost, the vote being:

Aye - Senators Alleman and Young.

No - Senators Monroe, Bunker, Farr, and Hecht.

Not Voting - Senator Gibson.

S.B. 364: Places taxicabs under jurisdiction of boards of county commissioners except as to certain matters. Introduced by Senator Alleman.

Senator Alleman said he had asked Jim Ryan, Chairman of the Clark County Commissioners, to talk to the other Clark County Commissioners about this.

DISPOSITION: It was agreed to hold this bill until the committee hears from the Clark County Commissioners.

S.B. 375: Authorizes counties, cities and towns to make payroll deductions from salaries of officers and employees. Introduced by Senator Farr.

Discussion.

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DISPOSITION: Senator Farr moved the adoption of the bill. Senator Young seconded. The motion lost, the vote being:

Aye - Senators Alleman, Farr, and Young.

No - Senators Bunker, Gibson, Hecht, and Monroe.

A.B. 86: Provides for use of records of assessor, department of motor vehicles, school districts and other sources for selection of trial jury lists. Introduced by Committee on Elections.

The Chairman said this bill came out of Clark County. Senator Alleman explained that many people there were deliberately not registering to vote, simply to avoid being called for jury duty because of the financial loss involved in being away from businesses or work while serving on juries. Discussion by committee.

DISPOSITION: Senator Alleman moved "Do pass"; Senator Farr seconded; the motion passed, with the following vote:

Aye - Senators Alleman, Bunker, Farr, Gibson, and Hecht.

No - Senators Monroe and Young.

A.B. 217: Allows Nevada state museum to establish branches. Introduced by Mr. Jacobsen.

Discussion.

DISPOSITION: Senator Bunker moved "Do pass"; Senator Farr seconded; passed unanimously.

A.B. 234: Increases size of counties in which district attorneys may maintain offices away from county seat. Introduced by Mr. Swackhamer.

DISPOSITION: The Chairman will check into this bill and find out where it came from.

A.B. 239: Establishes uniform fees for county recorders. Introduced by Committee on Judiciary.

The Chairman said this bill had been requested by the County Recorders.

DISPOSITION: Senator Young moved "Do pass"; Senator Bunker seconded; passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise Glover, Secretary

I certify that the foregoing minutes are correct.

Senator James I. Gibson Chairman