

SENATE COMMITTEE ON  
FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

Minutes of Meeting Held  
April 6, 1967

The 38th meeting of the Senate Committee on Federal, State, and Local Governments was called to order at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 6, 1967, in Room 50, State Capitol, by the Chairman, Senator James I. Gibson.

Committee members present:

Senator James I. Gibson, Chairman  
Senator Warren L. Monroe, Vice Chairman ) Entered the meeting  
Senator Alfred J. Alleman ) at 1:15 p.m.  
Senator Vernon E. Bunker  
Senator Francis W. Farr  
Senator Chic Hecht  
Senator Clifton Young - Entered the meeting at 1:15 p.m.

Absent: None

Also present:

Assemblyman Roy Torvinen  
Two newsmen - Entered the meeting at 1:20 p.m.

The Chairman called for consideration of:

A.B. 282: Includes public automobile parking facilities in exemption from taxation of exempt real estate subject to taxation when leased to, used in business conducted for profit. Introduced by Mr. Torvinen.

Comments by Mr. Torvinen. Discussion.

— DISPOSITION: The Chairman asked Senator Hecht to have Mr. George Ogilvie, Las Vegas city official, come in and talk to the committee about this bill. (Mr. Torvinen left the meeting. Two newsmen entered the meeting.)

S.B. 486: Provides for taxicab permits in certain counties. Introduced by Senator Herr.

The Chairman stated that Senator Herr had asked that the committee hold this bill up.

✓ DISPOSITION: Senator Bunker moved, "Deep six it, as requested by Senator Herr." Senator Young seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

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

The Chairman stated that Mr. Noel A. Clark, a Commissioner of the Public Service Commission, has said the stand of the PSC is that, whatever is done, they'd like it all done by one entity, either the PSC or the county commissioners. They would object to dual responsibility. Senator Gibson felt they were right. Senator Alleman said he had appeared before the whole PSC and had got the same reaction. He was assured that if authority remained in the PSC, the two things he was primarily interested in would be taken care of in the future, i.e., elimination of pick up and delivery zone requirements on the cabs, and an opportunity for the small cab operators, as well as the big ones, to expand their businesses. Senator Bunker remarked: "They just keep talking about it and don't do anything about it."

✓ DISPOSITION: Senator Alleman moved, "Hold the bill." Senator Bunker seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

A.B. 420: Changes residence requirements of certain state officers. Introduced by Committee on State, County, and City Affairs.

The Chairman stated that Senator Pozzi had asked that this committee reconsider this bill, which it had reported out with a "Do pass" recommendation. Senator Pozzi said that a question had been raised as to whether this legislation would allow a state official to maintain one office at the state capital but actually maintain his residence, and operate from an office, in another part of the state. Discussion. No action taken.

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.

✓ DISPOSITION: Senator Monroe, "I move we bucket this one." Senator Hecht seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

S.J.R. 29: Requests Department of Defense to establish national cemetery in Nevada and urges that Congress take all necessary steps to preserve national cemetery system. Introduced by Senator Pozzi.

✓ DISPOSITION: Senator Alleman moved, "Do pass." Senator Farr seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

S.J.R. 31: Proposes amendment to United States Constitution concerning distribution of electoral votes. Introduced by this committee.

Comments by the Chairman. Discussion.

✓ DISPOSITION: Senator Farr moved, "Do pass." Senator Alleman seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

S.B. 495: Permits contracting and suits by or against county hospitals. Introduced by Senator Lamb by request.

✓ DISPOSITION: Senator Farr moved that the committee hold the bill. Senator Hecht seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

A.J.R. 3: Proposes constitutional amendment eliminating power of Legislature to set compensation of county officers. Introduced by Mr. Wooster.

Senator Monroe remarked, "I have to fight this." Senator Alleman, "I do, too. I see complications in this."

✓ DISPOSITION: Senator Alleman, "I move we kill it." Senator Monroe seconded. The motion carried with the following vote:

Aye - Senators Alleman, Bunker, Farr, Gibson, Monroe, Young.  
No - Senator Hecht.

A.J.R. 4: Memorializes Congress to enact legislation providing a plan of time zone voting. Introduced by Mr. Kean.

Comments by Senator Alleman.

✓ DISPOSITION: Senator Alleman moved, "Do pass." Senator Farr seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

A.J.R. 11: Proposes annual legislative sessions with even-numbered year sessions to be 30 days and limited to budget items. Introduced by Mr. Bryan Hafen.

The Chairman said he had talked to the Chairman of the Assembly Committee on State, County, and City Affairs, and they would like to put both this and S.J.R. 9 (also proposing annual sessions) through, this session, then next session choose which one the Legislature wants to go on the ballot. Senator Farr asked: "If we put both resolutions through, will the Governor sign them both?" Senator Gibson replied, "That was done last time on the debt limit [2% and 3%]." He said he would like to see something ultimately presented to the voters (on annual sessions). He recommended that both resolutions be passed out, and the Assembly will do likewise.

✓ DISPOSITION of A.J.R. 11: Senator Farr moved, "Do pass." Senator Hecht seconded. The following vote resulted:

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Aye - Senators Farr, Gibson, and Hecht.

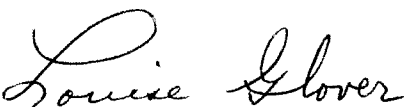
No - Senators Alleman and Monroe.

Absent - Senators Bunker and Young (had left the meeting  
prior to the discussion of this bill).

The aye votes lacked one vote of the majority of the whole  
committee required by committee rules to pass a bill out  
on the floor. However, the Chairman stated Senator Bunker  
favored passage, and he would see him and get his aye vote.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 2:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Louise Glover - Secretary

I certify that the foregoing minutes are correct.

Senator James I. Gibson - Chairman