

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD

March 23, 1967

A meeting of the Judiciary Committee was held at 2:41 P.M., Wednesday, March 23, 1967, in Committee Room 56, State Capitol, Chairman Monroe presiding.

Members present: Warren L. Monroe, Chairman
M. J. Christensen
Carl F. Dodge
Procter R. Hug
Coe Swobe
C. Clifton Young

Members absent: Vernon L. Bunker

Also present: Robert F. Guinn, Nevada Motor Transport Association
Senator Fisher
Joe Jackson, Nevada State Journal

Bob Guinn was present to discuss SB 434 and SB 439.

S.B. 434 "Provides penalty for unlawful advertising by motor carriers."

Mr. Guinn said S.B. 434 was introduced at the request of the Public Service Commission. He discussed it briefly.

Disposition: ON MOTION of Senator Swobe, seconded by Senator Young, it was agreed to Do Pass S.B. 434.

S.B. 439 "Requires approval of Public Service Commission for transfer of more than 15 percent of any corporate motor carrier stock."

Mr. Guinn discussed language change on Lines 14 and 15. He said the word "manage" has been challenged in the past few months and believes it should be changed to "corporate." He discussed activation of dormant certificates. Senator Christensen said in the insurance business, it is generally conceded that if any one corporation owns 15% of stock it might control the stock and the Commission should be notified when a certain percentage is transferred to one entity.

Disposition: ON MOTION of Senator Dodge, seconded by Senator Young, it was agreed to amend and Do Pass S.B. 439.

Chairman Monroe briefly discussed S.B. 336, previously voted on by the Committee, saying it was similar to S.B. 439. The amended section on Page 3 provided that the Commission should be notified when control of stock was affected but didn't have to approve control.

S.B. 361 "Amends form of acknowledgments." Senator Swobe discussed briefly. No action.

Chairman Monroe attempted to contact Mr. Toland so that he might come in and discuss S.B. 409 and S.B. 459 but was informed he was out of town.

S.B. 445 "Creates State Commission on Nevada History."

Senator Dodge said the Archives have been eliminated and material is to go to the Historical Society, per the Senate Finance Committee. There may be some repercussions. Chairman Monroe said he would prefer that state historical records be put in the Archives rather than going to the Historical Society.

Disposition: To be held.

S.B. 442 "Provides for privacy in proceeding for change of name."

Senator Swobe said "forget it."

Disposition: No further action.

S.B. 440 "Amends provisions relating to powers, duties of Public Service Commission."

Senator Swobe said Mr. Clark of the Public Service Commission, who is to be heard on this, is out of town until Monday. When he comes in Monday to see Senator Dodge, a time will be set up.

S.B. 410 "Allows access by interested parties to certain information on accident reports filed as result of motor vehicle accident."

Disposition: Held over.

S.B. 460 "Prohibits possession and discharge of tracer or incendiary ammunition under certain conditions."

Chairman Monroe sent for Senator Farr to discuss this bill. Senator Dodge commented that if you are hunting rabbits with a gun, you are not guilty unless you shoot one. The bill states that those who possess are guilty. Senator Farr said the tracer bullets are very dangerous and said the Division of Forestry feels they should be prohibited in wildlife areas except for use by the military, etc. He said he had no objection to deleting the possession part of the bill.

Disposition: ON MOTION of Senator Swobe, seconded by Senator Young, it was agreed to amend and Do Pass S.B. 460.

Chairman Monroe said he trusted members were reading S.B. 102 as he had requested. He said it should be checked over for the "bugs" which might be present. He said part of it is in S.B. 71.

A.C.R. 16 "Recommends creation of a Nevada advisory committee for higher education planning."

Senator Monroe said he thinks this is a very fine resolution and one of the better solutions to problems with the University. Senator Dodge said he thought it might work all right and he thought we should pass it.

Disposition: ON MOTION of Senator Swobe, seconded by Senator Young, it was agreed to Do Pass A.C.R. 16. Senator Christensen did not vote, said he would not oppose it but did not know enough about it and thought it might be a rubber stamp for the superintendent.

A.B. 434 "Establishes venue in actions against the State."

Brief discussion.

Disposition: ON MOTION of Senator Swobe, seconded by Senator Young, it was agreed to Do Pass A.B. 434.

A.B. 435 "Makes technical statutory correction concerning unclassified status of Deputy Attorney General assigned to State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources."

Brief discussion.

Disposition: ON MOTION of Senator Swobe, seconded by Senator Christensen, it was agreed to Do Pass A.B. 435.

At 3:20 P.M. Assemblywoman Eileen Brookman appeared and asked to distribute a memo on A.B. 139. Chairman Monroe gave his permission and she gave each Committee member a copy.

Chairman Monroe attempted to contact Senator Gibson for discussion of A.B. 66 but he could not be found.

S.B. 468 "Authorizes Legislative Commission to distribute obsolete copies of Nevada Revised Statutes."

Senator Dodge said they are going to reprint the Nevada Revised Statutes and make a larger one including all but this session. He said he thought it much better than destroying them.

Disposition: ON MOTION of Senator Young, seconded by Senator Dodge, it was agreed to Do Pass S.B. 468.

S.B. 470 "Establishes procedures to issue gaming licenses to Corporations."

Chairman Monroe said he felt a hearing should be set up on this bill. Senator Dodge said he thought the Gaming Control Board and Gaming Commission should be notified. Chairman Monroe said he would set the hearing up for next Wednesday, March 29, at 3:00 P.M. He asked Joe Jackson if the Committee might have a press release on it. Mr. Jackson was agreeable. Senator Swobe said he thought there was something strange in the fact that the bill was brought in 1963 so that they could build a hotel in Las Vegas, then nothing was said in 1965, but they are back again this year. Chairman Monroe said they came in and had a big session with the Finance Committee. Senator Swobe thought this strange too.

A.B. 148 "Requires Public Service Commission to issue cease and desist order when a public utility violates or allows violation of wiretapping laws."

Senator Young said that Assemblyman Hilbrecht had asked to be heard on this, he was the introducer. He came into the Committee at 3:32 and discussed the measure at length. Chairman Monroe said Robert McAdam of Bell Telephone Company had some questions and said he would like to be heard on this, at which time the Committee would no doubt call on Mr. Hilbrecht again.

S.B. 66 "Provides for issuance by county clerks of certificates of permission to perform marriages."

Senator Gibson was asked to come in to discuss this bill, as he is an official in the Mormon Church. He said the Church is incorporated in Utah but not in Nevada so certain language changes would be necessary to cover his Church. He discussed verifying on Line 23, language change. Senator Dodge said they didn't want to do anything that would be repugnant to anyone's church. Chairman Gibson said he objected to a section on fingerprints. Chairman Monroe said the Committee did not care for this either. Senator Gibson said his Church did not allow Bishops to marry anyone in wedding chapels or charge any money. He did not object too strenuously to having photographs taken, but saw no advantage in it. The Committee felt the same. Chairman Monroe felt the bill would provide licensing with at least some restrictions.

Disposition: ON MOTION of Senator Swobe, duly seconded, it was agreed to Amend and Do Pass S.B. 66.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:02 P.M.