

**Assembly**

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION - MEETING - 56TH SESSION  
MARCH 12TH, 1971

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MEMBERS PRESENT: Swallow, Hawkins, Smalley, White, Wilson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Foote, Frazzini

GUESTS PRESENT: Len Robinson  
Mr. Culbertson  
Richard Morgan  
Cynthia Cunningham, State Board of Education  
Assemblyman Art Valentine

Chairman Swallow called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. in order to continue discussion of AB 224, motorcycle course bill, as Assemblyman Valentine had something he wanted to say.

He said that in the Transportation Committee they had reported out the comprehensive motorcycle act, the equipment safety features and in this bill they have said that cyclists could receive a license at sixteen years of age and a learner's permit at fifteen and one/half. Therefore, he said he wanted to know if they were going to pass AB 224 and if the Committee did he would go to the bill drafter and amend AB 285 to say that a person can receive a learner's permit providing he is enrolled in a school provided for by the Board of Education and licensed by the motor vehicle department at the age of  $14\frac{1}{2}$  provided he has graduated from this school. He went on to say that the motorcycle industry in Washoe and Clark Counties had told him that they would provide the schools with a simulator training device at no cost to schools and would also furnish ten motorcycles to schools per year to be used for training. He said the industry is concerned as most of the accidents occur within two months after purchase.

Mr. Smalley said the concern seemed to be how this would be financed.

Mr. Valentine said that if people could afford to buy their youngsters an expensive motorcycle he thought they would pay an extra \$10.00, \$20.00 or \$30.00 themselves.

After further discussion back and forth on this Chairman Swallow said it seemed like it would be a relatively simple matter for them to get together out of Committee on this and come up with a solution. This they agree to do.

Chairman Swallow had agreed to have a hearing on SB 77 but first wanted to have Senator Drakulich speak on the hearings the Senate had had on this bill.

SB 77 would change age at which child is required to attend school.

Senator Drakulich held up a large hand full of telegrams which he said were all in favor of the bill and they were received from teachers and parents. They had, he said, received a few against the bill.

They discussed what the financial impact would be and it was generally felt that the first year would be the greatest year of financial impact.

It was brought out that one advantage of this would be children would not get out of high school until a few months older and that a few months more in school at the age would seem desirable rather than forced out at 17 or so when he is not ready.

Miss Hawkins moved to introduce SB 77 as the Senate had passed it.

It was brought out that there had been a motion the day previous to have a hearing and it had carried. Therefore, they would have to take action on that first.

Chairman Swallow said that they should like to hear from Mary as to how she felt about this now.

Someone said they would ask her. As it was known what Committee she was attending.

In the meantime Chairman Swallow turned to the discussion of AB 571, 446 and 609 on which he thought we should have a hearing in the near future. We did not have AB 571 as it is in Judiciary but would try to get it out. It was decided to have the hearing Wednesday night at 7:00 P.M. in Room 131 and secretary to notify all necessary people.

Mr. Robinson came back from looking for Mary and he said that she had some people she was talking to on this and would like to meeting with Committee in front of Mr. Swallow's desk at 12:55. This was agreed to by Committee.

Mr. Wilson moved to rerefer AB 576 to Ways and Means.

Motion seconded.

Motion carried.

Chairman brought up AB 372, the bill on intoxicating beverages being served on University premises. Someone asked if this hadn't been killed. Chairman said yes but the introducers of the bill had not been present that day to present their testimony so he felt that it deserved some more discussion. That Prince and Lowman felt that at least half of the bill might be salvaged due to their testimony.

Discussion followed on this and as so many were absent the day that Mr. Prince and Lowman presented their testimony the secretary explained something of what had transpired. That the introducers had introduced the bill because they had had so much demand from school districts for this protection. Chairman asked her if she had it in the minutes which she did and Chairman read same.

Mr. Wilson said that they already had protection.

No one seemed to be definite as to whether there was a law already on the books. Chairman made a call to legislative to get this information.

Mr. Wilson said that the Board of Regents had decided this and they were responsible. Chairman said they wanted to amend this out, then and get on with the bill. Basically that's it, he said. What do you want to do?

Miss Cunningham said that a lot of these little bills she knew of had already been taken care of and were unnecessary and could be taken care of by a phone call.

It was brought out that if the University would handle their problems the Legislature would be happy not to.

AB 590, 617, 643 were brought up next.

Miss Hawkins explained that 590 was fish and game, 617, consumer education, 643 is civil defense.

Mrs. White moved that we hold these until we come up with another resolution.

Motion seconded.

Motion carried.

Miss White explained the purpose of the resolutions she was presenting in behalf of the Board of Regents about their terms of office.

Miss Hawkins moved a committee introduction on these two bills.

Motion seconded.

Motion carried.

Chairman Swallow the Legislative Counsel had reported that there were no statutes regarding bringing liquor on the campus but there was for selling, distribution and use. Campus meaning secondary or college level.

We can't discuss this further about bringing it out again as we don't have enough present so we will defer it to a later time the Chairman said.

Meeting adjourned at 12:15 P.M.

The Committee met at Chairman's desk as agreed and decided in view of the ardent demands of some mothers concerning SB 77 to hold a hearing Tuesday evening at 7:00 P.M. in Room 131, March 16.