

Assembly

MINUTES OF TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE HEARING - 56TH NEVADA  
ASSEMBLY SESSION - FEBRUARY 4, 1971

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Present: Lowman, F. Young, Kean, Howard, Prince, and  
Valentine

Excused: Ashworth

Chairman Lowman convened the hearing of the Transportation Committee with representatives of various companies and organizations present to testify on A.B. 65, 81, and 106 at 10:40 a.m. in Room 240.

On A.B. 106 (continued from February 3 hearing) -- requires color photograph to be placed on drivers' licenses.

The Chairman asked for any further testimony for A.B. 106.  
No response.

Opponents to the bill:

John E. Curtis, Jr., Polaroid Corporation, objected to page 2, lines 15 to 17, regarding a photo with a negative. He felt this would restrict those who could be vendors. Polaroid has on-the-spot photos and can make a copy with microfilm. A picture is taken and put on microfilm, and can be retrieved by a numbering system coder device put into a computer. They can make a positive but not a negative copy. States which presently issue on-the-spot drivers' licenses of this type include Massachusetts, Virginia, North Carolina, Alaska, New Mexico and Delaware. The license is made, microfilmed, passed onto the licensee, and then processed into the microfilm system.

Kean: Asked about the cost of such a system.

Curtis: The negative system would cost approximately 20¢ each. Polaroid would cost approximately 30¢. However, there would be a savings on help, materials and postage for mailing because of instant photos.

Young suggested that the bill be amended so as not to be restrictive as to vendors.

Bill Fitzpatrick, Safety Traffic Division, testified that his division is not in favor of Section 3 of the bill. He thinks the Department should have time to budget for the cost and that an appropriation is needed so no time deadline of "not later than January 1, 1972" should be imposed. He does not favorably consider going into photo licensing until teleprocessing has been made available and he agreed with Mr. Curtis about not restricting vendors.

The Chairman inquired if he wanted instant drivers' licenses and an instant date retriever system from anywhere throughout the state.

Fitzpatrick is in favor of this system. Presently the Department issues temporary licenses until further information is received. There is a driver register in Washington, D.C., which the Department belongs to. With the instant driver's license system, it would be possible to have instant retrieval. If applicants lie about any restrictions or offenses they have, they would be perjuring themselves.

Russell Bowton, Department of Motor Vehicles, also testified for the immediate issuance of a driver's license (over the counter), complete record check prior to the issuance; tele-processing terminals at the counter, and records captured at the time license is issued (customer face to face). He also testified against a photo on licenses until over-the-counter issuance can be done, any process that calls for a driver's license to be issued without an immediate record update, and any photo process which precludes over-the-counter issuance (ever). He is for photos on licenses at the proper time and utilizing the best method to accomplish over-the-counter issuance. He submitted cost estimates attached.

The Chairman inquires of Howard Hill if there is to be Department bill in this session on this matter and received a negative response.

Grant Davis, Counsel, advised the chairman that Mr. Ashworth asked for a bill regarding some of the matters discussed at this hearing.

On A.B. 81 -- excludes old motor vehicles from standard requirements of licensing and registration.

Richard Herz, Chief, Registration Division: It is requested that Assembly Bill 81 be rewritten to follow the present law, N.R.S. 482.380, on the issuance of special plates for antique vehicles. Under this statute, such vehicles must register on an annual basis and pay the registration fee of \$5.50, plus a minimum privilege tax of \$6.00. Inspection might be waived as a good many of these vehicles are not being operated. If A.B. 81 is passed and becomes law, the Department will need \$150.00 to have a special die manufactured for the inscription, NEVADA OLD TIMER.

Prince: The bill is like the Idaho bill but changed to fit the Nevada requirements.

Herz: If special license plates are what is desired, it is possible to get them under present law.

James Lambert, Superintendent, Law Enforcement Division, gave the law enforcement point of view on the section written, "to bear no date but a description". Special license plates would pose a problem for them.

On A.B. 65 -- allow U-turns under certain conditions.

Paul May: Since S.B. 51 and A.B. 65 are identical, he testified for both bills. The changes Mr. Branch and Mr. May favor are so written in that bill.

Lambert was in agreement except he requested the word "only" be removed from line 6 to remove a conflict within the law as it is now written.

The Chairman read a short bill requiring a penalty for turning back odometers on used cars and asked if committee members wished it introduced.

Darrell Capurro, Nevada Franchised Automobile Dealers Association, testified his organization was aware that this bill is pending. He requested that the bill be withheld from introduction until they had a chance to review it. As the bill is written, it does not accomplish what is intended.

Chairman Lowman adjourned the hearing at 11:45 a.m.

The committee -- A.B. 65, S.B. 51, A.B. 81, and A.B. 106.

A.B. 24 -- Young moved, Howard seconded, and it was unanimously agreed to report this bill with 'do pass' recommendation.

A.B. 65 with S.B. 51 -- Young moved and Kean seconded a 'do pass' recommendation on S.B. 51, amended to strike out the word "only" on line 6. It was unanimously passed. Kean moved, Young seconded, and it was unanimously agreed that A.B. 65 be indefinitely postponed.

A.B. 81 -- after a general discussion this bill was held for Prince to try to amend satisfactorily.

The Chairman advised the committee that the next meeting would be on Tuesday, February 9, 1971, and that S.B. 64 and A.B. 120 would be considered along with other matters not requiring a hearing.

The Chairman then adjourned the meeting at 12:00 noon.

		<u>Per Month</u>	<u>Per Year</u>
<u>L.V.</u>	7 terminals @ \$186.50	\$1,305.50	\$15,666.00
	Data sets & Service Terminals	400.00	4,800.00
	Telpak proration	250.00	3,000.00
			<u>\$23,466.00</u>

<u>RENO</u>	2 terminals @ \$186.50	\$373.00	\$4,476.00
	Data sets & Service Terminals	275.00	2,100.00
	Telpak proration	18.00	216.00
			<u>\$6,792.00</u>

<u>CARSON</u>	1 terminal @ \$186.50	\$186.50	\$2,238.00
	Data sets & Service Terminals	100.00	1,200.00
			<u>\$3,438.00</u>

ONE-TIME CHARGES

Freight on 10 terminals @ \$60 ea	\$600.00
Telephone installation costs @ \$100 ea	\$1,000.00
	<u>\$1,600.00</u>

COMPUTER COSTS est. \$1,000.00 per month \$12,000

<u>Teleprocessing costs</u>	<u>Computer Costs</u>	<u>ONE TIME CHARGES</u>
23,466.	\$12,000 per year	\$1,600.
6,792.		
3,438.		
<u>\$33,696.</u>		

ASSEMBLY

AGENDA FOR COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Date FEB. 9 & 11 Time 10:00 Room 222

<u>Bills or Resolutions to be considered</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Counsel requested*</u>
<u>A.B. 23</u>	<u>PERMITS APPOINTMENT OF HIGHWAY PATROLMEN WITH BUDGETARY LIMITATIONS.</u>	<u></u>
<u>A.B. 81</u>	<u>EXCLUDES OLD MOTOR VEHICLES FROM STANDARD REQUIREMENTS OF LICENSING AND REGISTRATION.</u>	<u></u>
<u>A.B. 120</u>	<u>AUTHORIZES DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES TO REGULATE NOISE EMISSIONS FROM MOTOR VEHICLES USING PUBLIC HIGHWAYS.</u>	<u></u>
<u>A.B. 177</u>	<u>LIMITS EMPLOYMENT OF SUPPLEMENTARY NEVADA HIGHWAY PATROLMEN BY AVAILABILITY OF MONEYS IN SPECIAL STATUTORY FUND.</u>	<u></u>
<u>A.B. 193</u>	<u>PROVIDES METHOD FOR CANCELING DEMERIT POINTS OF DRIVER.</u>	<u></u>
<u>S.B. 51</u>	<u>ALLOWS U-TURNS UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS.</u>	<u></u>
<u>S.B. 63</u>	<u>MAKES ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES RELATING TO TAX RETURNS UNDER SPECIAL FUEL TAX LAW.</u>	<u></u>
<u>S.B. 64</u>	<u>REVISES VEHICLE PRIVILEGE TAX DEPRECIATION SCHEDULE FOR HEAVY VEHICLES.</u>	<u></u>

\*Please do not ask for counsel unless necessary.

HEARINGS PENDING

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