

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

Excused: Howard and Ashworth

Also Present: Grant Davis, Counsel

Chairman Lowman convened the meeting of the Transportation Committee with representatives of various companies and organizations present to testify on bills A.B. 675, S.B. 266, 339, 535 and 546 at 11:20 a.m. in Room 240.

S.B. 266 - Revises motor carrier law.

Grant Davis, Counsel, advised the committee that this bill resulted from the last session of the Legislature. He said that 704 and 706 were reviewed and a new section created regarding transportation for hire. He said that there were only a few changes which Bob Guinn will discuss in detail.

Commissioner Evo Granata, Public Service Commission, said that they support the bill as it is. They have one minor adjustment for which he thought Grant Davis has drawn up the amendment.

Bob Guinn, Nevada Automobile Dealers Association, said that they have taken the language out of 706, motor carrier act, and with the support and help of the Department of Motor Vehicles, the Public Service Commission and Grant Davis, erased everything else dealing with public utilities. They took everything out of 704 dealing with public utilities and on Page 3, Section 24, they added a definition of mobile equipment. This is in Chapter 484 regarding equipment requirements, etc. On Page 5, starting on line 40, they have written in the authority for the Public Service Commission to examine a person's records during the working hours of the day. They have also given the same authority to the Department. They currently have the authority but they have broadened it and used the same language. (He did not know for sure what section this was.) Page 18, regarding tow trucks, eliminates the fee for trucks under 9,000 lbs.

Valentine referred to Page 18, lines 49 to line 4 on Page 19, and asked about the number of trailers to be licensed and the maximum number to be towed by such vehicles.

Guinn said that this is the current law. He referred to Page 30, Section 128, and said that at the present time there is a section in the law that requires all private and for hire carriers to have the owner's name and the operator on the vehicle. He then referred to the end of Section 54, which he read. He said that they have an amendment so that every "for hire" carrier will display his name and every private carrier, 10,000 lbs. or more, will display the weight. Page 37, which is the end of Section 151,

is a complete rewrite of Chapter 706. This, therefore, repeals 706. Starting with 152, these sections have been amended pertaining to motor carriers in order to make them conform with what they are trying to do.

Granata said that the Public Service Commission would like to suggest an amendment on Page 7, line 43, Section 46, which he read. He said there was language in 708 pertaining to 704. They would like to get that language in 706, which he read. He felt that this would make it more uniform with what is already written.

Prince asked if it should read "may examine" or "shall have the right to examine".

Granata said that "may examine" is sufficient.

Davis said that it might be better to amend A.B. 748 and put the provision into A.B. 746, and then refer to the Commerce Committee to create uniformity. He felt it should be a separate bill rather than try to amend this one.

F. Young came in at this time.

Winston Richards, Motor Carrier Division, Department of Motor Vehicles, said that they were in accord with this bill and felt any other changes could be put in the form of other legislation.

Davis read proposed amendments.

Guinn referred to 706.595 and said he agreed with this section with a provision which they had several years ago. He said that Richards has since said they don't use it and that it can be taken out.

S.B. 546 - Prohibits resetting or disconnection of odometers.

A.B. 675 - Prohibits tampering with odometers.

S.B. 546:

Guinn said that the sponsor of this bill was the Automobile Dealers Association. He explained the purpose of the bill. He also read the bill and discussed some problems involved.

Valentine wanted to amend the bill by taking out "or dealer" regarding going from one dealer to another and then put it out with a do pass. He wanted to forbid the dealers from disconnecting under any circumstances.

Guinn explained this in detail. He couldn't agree that there would be that much of a problem. He said that a draft of this was approved by the dealers in Carson City on February 22.

There were some changes of the language by the bill drafter. He didn't think it could be abused.

Howard Hill, Director, Department of Motor Vehicles, said that the Department supports the bill and the amendment as suggested by Valentine.

Guinn said he didn't think the dealers could live with that. The same language is in the California, Florida and Washington laws.

S.B. 339 - Conforms Nevada law governing relocation payments and advisory assistance to persons displaced by construction of federal-aid highways with federal law.

There was testimony on this bill at a previous meeting.

S.B. 535 - Provides for personalized license plates for elected state officials.

Richard Bordalin, Counsel for the Department of Motor Vehicles, explained the plates issued and said that there weren't any laws authorizing this. No law for issuing legislative plates or the supreme court justices' plates. The only other people here are elected officials. There would be a cost for the dye of \$500. He said that the Attorney General and State Treasurer requested this. This was sent to the Finance Committee in the Senate.

Hill said that they get \$100 per dye. It is strictly by choice, not statute.

The hearing was adjourned at 11:59 a.m.

Prince moved do pass on S.B. 546 and Young seconded it.

Valentine wanted to amend it by deleting "or dealer".

Discussion then took place.

Valentine said that at the end of line 25 the previous bill had "incidental of sale". He felt it needed to be tightened up.

All voted yes except for Valentine. Chairman Lowman said that anyone has the right to make an amendment if he wants to on the floor.

S.B. 339 - Kean moved do pass, Valentine seconded it and it was unanimously passed.

S.B. 535 - Discussion took place.

Young moved to leave the legislators in with their present sequence

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as established for seniority and the state supreme court and amend out the administrative elected officials. Young to get the necessary amendments. Kean seconded and it was unanimously passed as amended.

A.B. 675 - Young moved to indefinitely postpone, Kean seconded and it was passed.

A.B. 389 - Amendments were presented. Do pass.

A.B. 577 - Valentine moved to indefinitely postpone, Kean seconded, and it was agreed.

Lowman read a letter from Mervin J. Flander, Director, Blind Division, requesting reconsideration of A.B. 257*. No further action was taken by the committee.

Lowman asked about Assemblyman Dan Poggione's bill regarding introduction of an inspection station. No action was taken by the committee. Referred to Frank Young.

S.B. 329 - Discussion took place. It was advised by members of the committee that Howard and Ashworth would go for this bill. Kean moved to reconsider, Prince seconded and it was unanimously agreed.

Valentine moved do pass, Prince seconded and it was unanimously passed.

S.B. 266 - Held for later action.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

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*Should read S.B. 257.

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AGENDA FOR COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

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Date MARCH 30, 1971 Time 10:00 a.m. Room 240

<u>Bills or Resolutions to be considered</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Counsel requested*</u>
S.B. 266	REVISES MOTOR CARRIER LAW.	
A.B. 675	PROHIBITS TAMPERING WITH ODOMETERS.	
S.B. 546	PROHIBITS RESETTING OR DISCONNECTION OF ODOMETERS.	
S.B. 339	CONFORMS NEVADA LAW GOVERNING RELO- CATION PAYMENTS AND ADVISORY ASSIST- ANCE TO PERSONS DISPLACED BY CON- STRUCTION OF FEDERAL-AID HIGHWAYS WITH FEDERAL LAW.	
S.B. 535	PROVIDES FOR PERSONALIZED LICENSE PLATES FOR ELECTED STATE OFFICIALS.	
	*SUPERSEDES PREVIOUS AGENDA FOR 3/30/71.	

*Please do not ask for counsel unless necessary.

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