

Assembly

MINUTES - WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE
NEVADA STATE LEGISLATURE - 56th SESSION - JAN. 28, 1971

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Chairman Young called the meeting to order at 3:05 PM.

Present: R. Young, Howard, Capurro, Hafen, F. Young,
Brookman, Mello, Schofield, Swackhamer, Lingenfelter, Hilbrecht.

Absent: None.

Guests: Harry Reid, Lt. Gov., John Koontz, Sec. of State;
Fredrick Gale, State Archivist; Howard Barrett, Dept. Admin.;
John Dolan, Dept. Admin.; Bill Green, Manpower Planning Council;
Cy Ryan, UPI.

Chairman Young asked for corrections of the Minutes of the
Jan 26th meeting. The following corrections were made:

PAGE A-18 - AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN.

PASS \$657,889
HOLD \$274,500

PAGE A-21 - CONTROLLER. Supplemental appropriation of
\$121,886...

PAGE A-21 - WESTERN INTERSTATE NUCLEAR COMPACT.

Motion NOT PASSED

PAGE A-22 - STALE CLAIM FUND.

HOLD

Mr. Capurro made a motion to approve the minutes as amended.
Mr. Lingenfelter Seconded.
Passed unanimously.

PAGE 9 - LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

New Position: Clerk being requested to handle additional
correspondence (\$1,800).

Out-of-State Travel - Lt. Gov. Reid not concerned that Governor
had deleted this request for \$500.

In-State-Travel - Lt. Gov. requesting that this be increased
to \$2,139 as the Governor wants him to work on various matters
throughout the Snate. To date, Lt. Gov. Reid has spent \$800
out of his own pocket on in-state-travel.

PAGE 2 - OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR.

Regular Appropriations - small increase.

Unclassified Positions - no increase. All positions are shown at existing level. No recommendations for new positions.

Out-of-State Travel - has been taken out of Governor's budget. Mr. Barrett stated that most agencies will have half of out-of-state travel request.

Other Contract Service. Increase due to Lincoln car that Governor leases at \$1200 per year.

Legal Service - requesting \$2500 per year for assistants to review statutes. Mr. Barrett recommended that Committee increase this amount to \$5,000 in 1972-1973. Mr. Lingenfelter asked Mr. Barrett why the Attorney General's Office didn't provide legal services to the Governor. In answer to his question, Mr. Barrett explained that the Governor needs someone there all the time to give legal advice on statutes rather than another elected official.

State Owned Building Rent - This is the money that goes to support building and grounds, i.e., janitorial services, etc. Mr. Barrett mentioned that federal funds can be picked up this way.

Unclassified Salaries - New proposal is reflected on Page 456. The proposal puts each position at middle step. In 2nd biennium, the amount of money will give everyone a step increase. To date, unclassified salaries have been set by the Legislature.

PAGE 4 - GOVERNOR'S MANSION. This budget is intended to pay utilities, upkeep, operating of mansion, food, host expenses (added by 1969 legislature), etc. Mr. Barrett pointed out that increases in this area are primarily due to inflation, i.e., increase in cost of Host Fund of \$3,800 in 1971-1972. Capital outlay is hard to project. Mrs. Brookman asked Mr. Barrett if the Governor's mansion was open to the public, and if so, she felt that the Host figure was low. In answer to Mrs. Brookman's question, Mr. Barrett replied that it was open to the public.

PAGE 5 - OFFICE OF EXTRADITION CLERK.

Clerk - The function of the extradition clerk has been transferred back to the Attorney General's office. Mr. Barrett said that we should leave the Extradition costs in the budget (\$21,000 and \$22,000) but the Attorney General's Office budget will provide for the personnel.

PAGE 6 - COMPREHENSIVE STATEWIDE PLANNING.

New Positions - Two new positions requested - a director, position is unclassified and a secretary. A coordinator is needed to tie all plans together and to supervise people doing planning.

Function of Comprehensive Statewide Planning is to consolidate all State planning. Plan was to start on a small basis and move into Comprehensive Statewide Planning in Governor's office. This is a new budget. General discussion (Lingenfelter, Young, Hilbrecht, Hafen). Mr. Hilbrecht suggested that we contact Legislative Council. Mr. Barrett stated that they have authority to establish position if the Legislature is not here in session. Mr. Hafen remarked that sometimes matching funds are unavailable. Mr. Barrett remarked that he was unaware of any changes in formula at this point. Barrett stated that we cannot qualify for Hud funds unless you have Comprehensive Statewide Planning. Comprehensive Statewide Planning does not approve or disapprove plans, but they ask agencies for proposals which are sent on to the federal government. Agencies will know what is going on providing that we receive this appropriation. Mr. Barrett stated that in effect this would be a statewide clearing house so they could get environmental reports. Agency would set guidelines and review.

PAGE 7 - MANPOWER PLANNING COUNCIL. Mr. Green explained that this agency is federally funded. This Council is charged with function of coordinating program from State level to local levels. In August, 1969, MPC became a direct operation through a federal grant and executive order by the Governor. No substantial increases other than increase in rent.

PAGE 11 - SECRETARY OF STATE.

New Positions - Senior Clerk Typist. Have over 100,000 filings per month. Certificates of indebtedness have grown and staff can't keep up with workload. Senior Accounting Clerk. Workload doubled last year. Mr. Koontz had personally been doing a lot of the bookkeeping.

Out-of-State Travel - Governor has eliminated it from many budgets. Secretary of State stated that they normally have a national meeting of Secretary's of State; in 1968 and 1968, Mr. Koontz had been President of this organization. This organization works closely with Congress. Request that this appropriation be granted.

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In-State Travel - Money for in-state travel is used primarily at election time.

State Owned Building Rent - Secretary of State has no control over increase in this. This is computed by Buildings and Grounds and goes into the budget. They have large storage for law books and supreme court decisions, etc.

Other Items - have gone up due to inflation.

Printing - Duplicating - Copying - These costs have gone up due to more printing to handle the increased population. Mr. Schofield noted that printing in 1970-1971 was \$17,500 and in 1971-1972 the Secretary of State was requesting \$26,500, an increase of \$9,000. In 1972-1973 they are requesting \$31,250 which is an increase of almost \$5,000. Mr. Koontz stated that due to the lack of space, a microfilming project has been started to eliminate voluminous files. The \$26,500 requested for 1971-1972 includes the cost to continue the microfilming. The 1972-1973 increase to \$31,250 is due to the printing of election laws which are quite voluminous and when the legislature meets these are amended. Other allied things to do with elections are also included. Their records date back to late 1800's and they have not been able to destroy them.

PAGE 11 and 12 - WORKLOAD INCREASE DATA (Corporations - Receipts). Corporation fees have doubled. They have 1,200 delinquents a year. Many people don't pay taxes; if they are delinquent in March their charter is revoked. The Corporation comes back and gets reinstated. The differences account for the reinstatements.

PAGE 13 - SECRETARY OF STATE-ARCHIVES DIVISION.

Existing position - Senior Clerk Typist. In past this has been a part time position. In 1971-1972 they request that this become a full time position.

New Position - Clerk Typist. The Governor has cut this position. Agency has a heavy workload of over 100,000 documents to be classified and need this additional position.

In-State Travel - The 1969 Legislature gave the Archives Division the responsibility of county records. This has never been funded. Personnel in counties needed help in deciding which documents to microfilm.

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State Owned Building Rent - Big increase. Have expanded up to the first and second floors. In answer to Mr. Hilbrecht's question, Mr. Gale replied that the additional floor space on 2nd floor was included in the additional supplemental.

Office Furniture - Equipment - Mr. Gale stated that if the new position of clerk typist is not funded, this request for additional office furniture could be deleted.

Chairman Young introduced Alice Smith and Esther Nicholson, League of Women Voters, and Shirley Wedow, Parent Teachers Association.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:45.

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AGENDA

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THURSDAY

MORNING

No Meeting

AFTERNOON

2:30 Office of the Governor - Howard Barrett, Bill Green

3:00 Office of Lt. Governor - Lt. Gov. Harry Reid

3:30 Secretary of State - Mr. Koontz