

MINUTES - WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE
NEVADA STATE LEGISLATURE - 56th SESSION - FEB. 17, 1971

Chairman Young called the meeting to order at 2:50 P. M.

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

Absent: Capurro (Excused), Hafen (Excused), and Lingenfelter (Excused)

Guests: Earl Oliver, Fiscal Analyst; J. Dolan, Dept. Admin.; R. Sparks, Budget Div.; Carroll Nevin, Comm. on Crime, Delinquency and Corrections; John Peevers, Comm. on Crime, Delinquency and Corrections; Gene Pieretti, Budget Div.; Harry Springer, Inspector of Mines; Bernard York, Deputy Inspector of Mines; Floyd Edsall, Adjutant General; Frank Coonley, Admin. Asst. Adjutant General.

Chairman Young asked for approval of the minutes of Feb. 12th meeting.

Mr. Mello moved approval of the minutes.

Mrs. Brookman Seconded the motion.

Motion PASSED

PAGE 291 - COMMISSION ON CRIME, DELINQUENCY AND CORRECTION

Mr. Nevin explained the program statement. He stated that there are 17 members and two advisors on the Crime Commission.

General discussion on funding (Nevin, Brookman, Swackhamer). Mr. Nevin stated that in 1969 an appropriation of \$134,000 was received from Federal funds for planning money and that an additional \$100,000 was received for action money. He stated that in 1971 they will receive \$888,000 with an additional \$100,000 assigned to the Commission's program. The Federal money is given to the State and the State disburses the money the way they desire. Mr. Nevin stated that the State is requested on all planning grants to match funds on a 90-10 basis. However, on most projects the match is on a 60-40 basis. Beginning July 1, 1971, matching will be on a 75-25 basis on all projects with the exception of construction projects.

Regular Appropriation - In first part of biennium the agency is requesting \$50,528 and an appropriation of \$41,197 in the second part of the biennium. Mr. Nevin explained that part of this appropriation is to be used for the Peace Officers training program which has never been funded. \$30,000 of appropriation in first part of the biennium will be used to fund the post program and the remaining amount will be used to fund two positions plus matching money commission will receive from government.

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Office Supplies/Operating Supplies - Mrs. Brookman questioned Mr. Nevin about the increases in these areas. Mr. Nevin explained that the Commission now has additional personnel which resulted in a need for additional equipment. He stated that in 1969 the appropriations in these areas were low because the Commission was not in full operation.

Mr. Swackhamer asked Mr. Nevin if any money had been set aside at the prison for vocational rehabilitation. Mr. Nevin replied that \$20,000 has been set aside for vocational rehabilitation. In addition, he stated that approximately 15-30 Federal grants are available for correctional institutions.

Mr. F. Young questioned Mr. Nevin about the classification of the Research Coordinator (new position). Mr. Nevin stated that presently it is an unclassified position, but the Commission desires this position to be changed to a classified. Mr. Dolan stated that this will probably become a classified position.

Mr. Mello asked Mr. Nevin if law enforcement agencies were cooperating with the Commission. Mr. Nevin replied that they had good cooperation, and he stated that there is a trend for consolidation of services.

Buildings and Grounds Services - Mr. Dolan stated that previously they had free rent and now appropriation is for Buildings and Grounds.

PAGE 304 - INSPECTOR OF MINES

Mr. Springer gave an explanation of the sub account.

New Positions - Agency requesting new position of a Deputy Mines Inspector (refer to supplemental request from agency) to implement the health and safety standards for open pit and underground mines, mills, smelters and ore reduction plants. This request is further substantiated in a letter to ex Governor Laxalt from the Director of the U. S. Department of Interior Bureau of Mines (see #2 in letter). Mr. Dolan remarked that the Governor did not recommend this position because the number of people working in the mines has been decreasing; therefore, there is not a need for additional staffing. Mr. Springer stated that the tonnage has been increasing and with the new standards there will be more provisions in inspection requirements that will have to be complied with.

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Discussion on supplemental request presented to Committee for an appropriation of \$9,235.80 for a Mine Rescue Station and an Air Quality Testing Laboratory to comply with standards of the Federal Metal and Non-Metal Safety Act. Mr. York explained the supplemental request in detail. Mr. Mello asked Mr. Springer if the supplemental request had been submitted to the Governor. Mr. Springer stated that they had just prepared the supplemental yesterday. The agency had previously requested needed data from Washington D.C. for preparation of this supplemental but to date had not received it. The agency therefore contacted the U. S. Bureau of Mines in Reno and drew up the list of the necessary equipment to comply with safety standards of act.

Operating Supplies - Mr. Mello questioned Mr. Springer about the increase in this category. Mr. Springer replied that appropriation was for expendable items and stated that before these items were included in "equipment repair".

PAGE 330 - HOISTING ENGINEERS LICENSE FUND

No change

PAGE 296 - DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY

Mr. Dolan stated that this agency has received an increase in federal funding of \$43,494 for each half of the biennium; therefore, the agency withdraws its request for a one shot supplemental appropriation of \$50,000.

Regular Appropriation - Mr. Dolan stated that due to the increased funding from federal monies, the regular appropriation in 1971-72 will be \$230,453 and in 1972-1973 \$230,962.

Federal Funds - Increase in federal funds available. Federal funding has been increased to \$146,494 for each half of the biennium.

Total Funds available - \$382,447 in 1971-72 and \$382,956 in 1972-73.

Salary Schedule - Mr. Dolan stated that \$3,119 should be added in each year of biennium to salary schedule. Salary schedule will be \$164,348 in 1971-72 and \$167,099 in 1972-73.

Committee requested Mr. Dolan to supply them with a new budget that reflected these changes.

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Building Maintenance - Change to \$69,645 in first part of biennium and \$67,095 in second part of biennium.

General Edsall stated that most of the increases in the budget are due to maintenance; the guard program has grown from 1400 to 2,000. Additional amounts of equipment has been received. General Edsall stated a higher maintenance level of guards was required due to the troop reduction throughout the world. DOD has decided that guard units must be supported with more training money, more equipment so that they can become part of Department of Army's priority master plan.

PAGE 299 - CIVIL DEFENSE AND DISASTER AGENCY

General Edsall stated that the budget was at the maintenance level. Any increases are only to keep up with the cost of living.

Office Furniture Equip - Appropriation needed to provide additional typewriters. Governor deleted request for adding machine.

PAGE 301 - RADEF

General Edsall stated that this budget is 100% federally funded. Increases are due to costs of living. He stated that last year they removed the position of a half time secretary. RADEF deals with inspection of monitoring radiological equipment throughout the state.

General Edsall made a few comments on the capital improvement program (see handout to State Planning Board from Department of Military). For capital improvements a total of \$420,040 federal funds would be needed, \$154,073 in state funds; thus a total of \$579,860 would be needed for the necessary capital improvement program.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:35 P.M.*

*DMV to be rescheduled.

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