

Assembly

MINUTES - WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE
NEVADA STATE LEGISLATURE - 56th SESSION - FEB. 9, 1971

Chairman Young called the meeting to order at 8:20 A.M.

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

Absent: ~~Brookman~~, Swackhamer, Lingenfelter

Guests: John Dolan, Dept. Admin.; Shirlee Wedow, NEDC; Dr. K. Guinn, NEDC; Helen Cannon, NEDC; Richard Morgan, NSEA; Marvin Picollo, Superintendent, Washoe Co.; Burnell Larson, Educ.; Relia Dolan, PTA; LaMar LeFevre, Educ; Dayle Rust, NSEA-NEDC; George Frank, UPI, Mike Medema, Counsel Bureau Rep.

Mrs. Wedow discussed NEDC's primary purposes.

Dr. Guinn discussed the effects of inflation. NEDC is requesting an increase of State aid in both years of the biennium to overcome effects of inflation. Need increase to offset inflation costs to reduce class sizes, salary increases and other programs. Dr. Guinn stated that legislation is underway for a 16% increase in both parts of the biennium; however, if they received 16% in second half of biennium they would be \$2,036,277 in the red due to inflation. Presently, they are looking at a formula to take care of inflation effects in second year. (See handout: Projected Increases in State Aid).

Dr. Picollo discussed educational needs of urban areas. Urban related costs incurred by Washoe County School District include: need for: attendance officer, security officers, patrolmen, aides to assist in security, counselors, social workers, psychologist and additional teachers to reduce the pupil-teacher ratios. There is an increase in requests to feed children breakfast, and the schools are not being subsidized for this. Costs for transporting children (all over state) are running close to \$1,000,000 per year. Thus, urban areas are becoming high costs areas.

Mrs. Cannon discussed effects of increased enrollment and voluntary integration. Mrs. Cannon stated that during the last two years approximately \$800,000 was borrowed from bank at 5 1/2% interest to implement voluntary integration. Due to riots they have had to put in policemen. They are also experiencing a problem of nonspeaking English students in Clark County; it has cost the county \$300,000 to resolve this problem.

Mrs. Cannon stated that in some schools in Clark County there has been a student turnover rate of 100%. The free hot lunch program in Clark County costs \$11,000 per month. Mrs. Cannon stated that they would like to have a free breakfast and hot lunch program for under privileged children. The additional cost of free hot lunches to Clark County results in fewer teachers they can hire.

Mr. Larson stated that due to inflation the cost of living index has increased 5.8%. They have set up a new formula to take care of urban, rural, non urban-non rural counties. Formula to handle educational costs is based on school district population. Formula starts at school district population of 8,000, 2nd step 24,000 and 3rd step 70,000.

Mr. Larson stated that the 16% increase in state aid is included in Governor's recommendation for both parts of the biennium.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 A.M.

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

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

Absent: None

Guests: Earl Oliver, Fiscal Analyst; Robert List, Attorney General; Norrine Barber, Admin. Secretary, Att. Gen; James Thompson, Chief Deputy, Att. Gen; Mike Mirabelli, State Treasurer; Peggy Glover, Deputy State Treasurer; Wally Carson, Economic Develop.; Zoe Ann Gillian, Econ. Develop.; Bill Bender, Econ. Develop.; Mr. Monahan, Econ. Develop.; and George Frank, UPI.

PAGE 19 - ATTORNEY GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE FUND

New Positions - Governor recommends that 8 new positions be established. One deputy needed to handle antitrust matters. One deputy needed for boards and commissions. One deputy and one investigator needed for Criminal Division in Las Vegas. One deputy for chief counsel/ Board of Regents at University of Nevada. Three Senior Legal Stenographers. Mr. List stated that the deputies are funded through 4 sources: General Fund; Agency payments; Highway Department and Federal Grants.

Out-of-State Travel - Governor deleted request. Needs funds primarily for antitrust deputy and investigators. Mr. List hoped that the central budget office would be reasonable when they submit requests for trip funding. He mentioned that requests for trips must be submitted 10 days in advance and in many instances investigators must depart on short notice. Mr. Dolan stated that in emergency cases, it only takes a phone call.

In-State-Travel - In-State travel request cut by Governor to \$8,000 for both parts of the biennium. Mr. List stated that the deputies in the Criminal Division will be doing more travel. Agency is considering billing the counties, but actually doesn't desire to seek reimbursement from them as they don't have the funds. Agency has numerous requests from throughout the State for legal assistance in prosecution, civil cases, etc. Attorney General indicated that the in-state travel budget was inadequate. Mr. Dolan stated that travel money is only for Attorney General's office and that travel money for Highway will come from their budget.

Contractual Services - Governor recommending \$16,000. \$15,000 would be used for salary of Deputy in Colorado River Commission. This would leave a balance of \$1,000 in Contractual Services.

PAGE 23 - Special Fund

Appropriation provides for special counsel fees and court costs Attorney General may incur while prosecuting on behalf of or defending the State.

PAGE 24 - PRIVATE DETECTIVE

Private Investigators Licensing Board is chairmanned by Bob List and consists of 4 additional people appointed by the Governor. One half time secretary is employed.

PAGE 15 - STATE TREASURER

Existing Positions - Agency requested that Chief Assistant to Deputy be reclassified to a U23 position at \$10,133 per year. This person is presently a U21 position. Agency requesting that existing position of Senior Accountant Clerk be changed to a full time position being that the Governor cut the Senior Account Clerk (half time position) from new position request.

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Out-of-State Travel - Mr. Dolan stated that his office would approve top priorities for out-of-state travel. Mr. Mirabelli requesting supplemental appropriation of \$650 to attend a national meeting in September.

PAGE 87 - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Budget request prepared by Mr. Carson's predecessor.

Out-of-State Travel - Travel out-of-State has been cut by Governor.

Advertising and Public Information - \$220,000 has been recommended by Governor for both parts of the biennium for advertising and public information. All of the ground work has been done for this. Ad program commenced Jan. 1, 1970 and they anticipate going another 18 months past July 1971 (9 months for fiscal year as they don't spend money in June, July, August)

SCR 9 - Discussed.

Mr. Capurro moved the following amendment: Two members of Senate and two members of Assembly should be permitted to go. Mr. Hilbrecht Seconded the amendment.
PASSED. Nays: Swackhamer, Hafen, Mello.

Mrs. Brookman moved amend as moved by Mr. Capurro and
DO PASS.

Mr. Lingenfelter Seconded the motion.
PASSED. Nays: Swackhamer, Mello, Howard, Hafen

BDR S-1214 *

Mr. Swackhamer requested the Committee to introduce bill with the following amendment: Appropriate money to Department of Administration instead of the College of Education.

Mr. Schofield Seconded the motion.
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

BDR S-1211^o

Mr. F. Young moved a DO PASS for Committee introduction.
Mr. Mello Seconded the motion.
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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BDR 23-1124 *

Mr. F. Young moved a DO PASS for Committee introduction.
Mr. Hilbrecht Seconded motion.
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

BDR 18-1119

HOLD

Chairman Young read a list of bills to be discussed at
the morning meeting on February 11, 1971.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned
at 5:10 P.M.

* A.B. 247

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AGENDA - FEBRUARY 9, 1971 - TUESDAYMORNING

<u>TIME</u>	<u>AGENCY</u>	<u>PAGE</u>	<u>REPRESENTATIVE</u>
8:30	PTA		

AFTERNOON

(BUDGET HEARINGS)

2:30	Attorney General	19	Bob List
3:00	State Treasurer	15	Mike Mirabelli
3:30	Economic Develop.	87	Wally Carson