

MINUTES -JOINT MEETING SENATE FINANCE / WAYS AND MEANS
NEVADA STATE LEGISLATURE - 56th SESSION - MARCH 25, 1971

Chairman Lamb called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M.

Present: Senate Finance - Senators Lamb, Fransway, Harris, Brown, Gibson, Pozzi. Ways and Means - Assemblyman R. Young, Howard, Capurro, Swackhamer, Schofield, Hafen, Mello, Brookman, Hilbrecht, F. Young.

Absent: Assemblyman Lingenfelter

Guests: Howard Barrett, Admin; John Dolan, Admin; Harry Reid, Lt. Gov.; George Miller, Dir. Welfare; John Duarte, Welfare; Earl Oliver, Fiscal Analyst; John Crossley, Chief Legislative Auditor; Bob Dimmick, Legislative Auditor; Mike Medema, Legislative Auditor; Cy Ryan, UPI

Chairman Lamb remarked that we are out of money and that we would have to cut back some appropriations.

Senator Lamb stated that Senate Finance Committee had made a few adjustments regarding increases in the budget in a meeting held by Senate Finance today. Refer to handout on Assembly Ways and Means Committee - Committee Increases to Executive Budget. Senator Lamb reported Senate Finance's action on the following budgets:

<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>REDUCTION IN BUDGET SENATE FINANCE</u>	
	<u>1971-72</u>	<u>1972-73</u>
Page 188 - Meat Inspection Service	\$41,939	\$44,855
Page 378 - Plant Industry Fund	\$40,000	\$40,000
Page 274 - Spring Mountain Youth	\$48,000	\$48,000
Page 214 - Out-Patient Clinics	\$66,336	\$67,469
Page 17 - Controller's Office	\$25,000	\$25,000

Refer to handout on Joint Committee Budget Action, March 25, 1971.

PAGE 87 - Economic Development

Senator Lamb remarked that Senate Finance Committee had reduced the appropriation to \$250,000 for each year of the biennium.

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Mr. Capurro felt that the Highway and Parks magazine should be brought into this budget. He felt that they were wasting a lot of highway money on this publication. He stated that no federal funds go into this magazine; it is all State money and we could have a line item cost on it. Senator Lamb questioned whether we could do this under separate action. Mr. Capurro remarked that if you would give them the budget that they have and give them the magazine you could cut the budget by \$200,000.

Mr. Swackhamer moved that Ways and Means go with Senate Finance's action.

Mr. Hilbrecht Seconded the motion
PASSED

Nays: Capurro, Mello, Brookman, F. Young

PAGE 102 - Education Administration

F. Young remarked that additional travel money was needed for State Board of Education meetings. Mr. Barrett testified that the Department of Administration recommended maintaining the present level and did not agree with the need for additional travel.

Mr. Howard moved that Ways and Means concur with Senate Finance (Governor's recommendation).

Mr. Capurro Seconded the motion.
PASSED

Nays: F. Young, Brookman, Schofield

PAGE 112 - Adult Basic Education

Mr. F. Young remarked that the source of the third party matching was not evident, and felt that the only way to get it was to put it into the regular appropriation.

Mr. Dolan added that he could not identify where the third party matching was.

Mr. Howard moved that Ways and Means concur with Senate Finance (Governor's recommendation).

Mr. Capurro Seconded the motion.
PASSED

Nays: Schofield, F. Young, Brookman

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PAGE 140 - UNLV - Instruction

Assembly Ways and Means increased appropriation by \$200,000 for each part of the biennium for plant operation. Mr. Hilbrecht remarked that building space (UNLV) had been increased by 60%, and added that after utilities are deducted from Governor's budget they only had enough money to hire one additional janitor. This is irresponsible.

Mr. Capurro remarked that if you are not going to take care of buildings, you should not build them.

Senator Lamb remarked that by looking at the 70-71 work program this has increased almost \$2,000,000.

Discussion regarding maintenance of plant (Lamb, Capurro, Hilbrecht). Mr. Hilbrecht reiterated that some kind of relief is needed. Mr. Capurro remarked that you have authorized capital improvements and you are not increasing the budget to take care of them.

Senator Lamb remarked that they are going to have to start backing out of some of their programs and take care of their buildings. He added that they are given a free rein on their money.

Mr. Hilbrecht suggested a compromise for plant maintenance.

Senator Harris remarked that there are many students there that could perform the necessary custodial work for a lot less money.

Mr. Howard moved that Ways and Means concur with Senate Finance (Governor's recommendation).

Mr. Hafen Seconded the motion
Motion DID NOT CARRY

Nays: Brookman, Capurro, Hilbrecht, Mello, Schofield, F. Young

HOLD

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PAGE 159 - Nevada Council on Arts

Senator Brown remarked that he was willing to go for a compromise on the Governor's budget.

Mr. Capurro remarked that these people have done a lot of good work and would like to see us at least go with the Governor's recommendation.

Mr. Howard moved Ways and Means approve the budget as recommended by the Governor.

Mr. Mello Seconded the motion
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Senator Brown moved that Senate Finance approve the budget as recommended by the Governor

Senator Fransway Seconded the motion
Motion DID NOT CARRY

Nays: Harris, Gibson, Pozzi

Mr. Capurro moved to cut budget by \$5,000 in each part of biennium.

Motion was not seconded.

HOLD

PAGE 162 - Nevada Historical Society

Senator Pozzi moved that Senate Finance concur with Ways and Means

Senator Fransway Seconded the motion
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

PAGE 228 - Aid to Dependent Children

Refer to handout on Summary of Welfare Budget Adjustments Requested.

Ways and Means Committee approved ADC at \$35.00 per recipient in previous action.

George Miller's office revised ADC figures this week.

Mr. Barrett remarked that they had gone over proposals and total increase for ADC, Title XIX, and in addition to the welfare administration for hearing officers (4) - General Fund money only (assuming that we stay at \$32.00 grant), the total decrease in the first year of General Fund money would be \$136,564 and in the second year of the biennium it would be an increase of \$123,249. Total decrease for biennium would be \$13,315. This would include overhead costs, assuming passage of A.B. 760, 4 hearing officers, \$32.00 grant, and Title XIX.

Senator Brown questioned figures on page 229 of executive budget.

Mr. Hilbrecht remarked that A.B. 760 is presently in Judiciary and that the hearing on this bill would be Friday, March 26th.

Mr. Duarte remarked that there was a cut based on the \$32.00 grant ADC.

Chairman Lamb questioned Mr. Barrett if the figures were correct based on the \$32.00 grant ADC. Mr. Barrett indicated that they were. Mr. Barrett stated that they did not want to decrease proposed ADC to \$32.00 but they would have to bring that there is no other alternative.

Mr. Swackhamer remarked that if A.B. 760 did not pass that we would have to have another $3/4$ million dollars over the coming biennium.

Mr. Hilbrecht requested clarification that the Governor's recommendation was being changed from \$37.00 ADC to \$32.00 ADC. Senator Lamb stated this was correct.

HOLD pending passage of A.B. 760

PAGE 436 - HIGHWAY PATROL SPECIAL FUND

Mr. Howard moved Ways and Means concur with Senate Finance action.

Mr. Mello Seconded the motion
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

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S. B. 144 - Provides salary ranges, increases and adjustments for state officers, employees in unclassified and classified service.

Mr. Howard read the unclassified salary adjustments as approved by the Ways and Means Committee. He remarked that directors salaries were adjusted due to impaction.

Refer to handout of Unclassified Salaries - Present and Proposed for Committee action taken. Note: Under Attorney General's Office, the middle column (1971-72) is the ceiling for salary schedule (\$354,500)

The Committees reviewed the unclassified salaries and established amounts to be included into the unclassified salaries act (S. B. 144).

Senator Lamb asked Senate Finance for approval of the unclassified salary schedule. (budget)

Senator Fransway moved approval of the budget schedule
Senator Brown Seconded the motion
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Assemblyman Roy Young requested Ways and Means approval of the unclassified salary schedule (budget)

Mr. F. Young moved approval of the budget schedule
Mr. Capurro Seconded the motion
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

PAGE 170 - OFFICE OF STATE HEALTH OFFICER

Senator Pozzi remarked that budget be reopened up and position of Senior Management Analyst be restored.

Senator Fransway moved to reopen budget and restore position of Senior Management Analyst.
Senator Brown Seconded the motion.
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Mr. Mello moved to reopen budget and restore position of Senior Management Analyst.
Mr. F. Young Seconded the motion
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Mr. F. Young moved to close budget as amended
Mr. Capurro Seconded the motion
PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

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Both Committees unanimously approved to increase the Director of Administration's salary to \$22,500.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 P.M.