

SENATE COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

Minutes of Meeting -- April 23, 1971

The fifty-second meeting of the Senate Committee on Federal, State and Local Governments was held on the 23rd day of April, 1971.

Committee members present: James I. Gibson
Lee Walker
Coe Swobe
Carl F. Dodge
Warren L. Monroe
Chic Hecht
Stan Drakulich

Also present were:

Edmond Psaltis, Washoe County School District
Richard Morgen, Nevada State Education Association
Curt Blyth, Nevada Municipal Association
Angus MacEachern, Personnel Analyst, City of Las Vegas
Al Seeliger, School Trustees Association
William Adams, Assistant City Manager, Las Vegas
Press

Chairman Gibson called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.

AB-178 Extends amended provisions of Local Government Employee-Management Relations Act to all government employees; provides for binding arbitration; specifies certain prohibited practices.

Chairman Gibson read all the proposed amendments to this bill. Mr. Blyth suggested that the language should be changed under 8.(a) by deleting the phrase "from the property tax rate and the fee and license structure." Mr. MacEachern requested that language be included in the bill referring to NRS 288.160 with a new paragraph (d) to go at the end of that section, "fails to negotiate in good faith with the local government employer." Mr. Seeliger made the further suggestion that under Section 288.200, subsection 4. language should be inserted setting a time limit.

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There was further discussion and comments from Mr. Morgan, in support of this bill as amended; and Mr. Seeliger, who reiterated that the school board is opposed to binding arbitration. Chairman Gibson noted that he feels this bill with the proposed amendments does improve the existing law and that if the committee waits another two years to take any action on it the pressures and frustrations would only increase.

Senator Swobe moved to "Amend and Do Pass," seconded by Senator Hecht. The motion carried.

SB-659 Amends new special charters for cities enacted during 1971 legislative session to accommodate enactment of new evidence code; makes technical corrections.

Senator Drakulich moved "Do Pass," seconded by Senator Walker. The motion carried.

AB-548 Requires state, county, city and local governments to grant employees leave of absence while serving in elective or appointed public office.

Senator Monroe moved that "this proposal be submitted to further study," seconded by Senator Hecht. The motion carried.

SCR-36 Directs legislative commission to study problem of livestock trespassing on public highways.

Senator Monroe moved to "Hold," seconded by Senator Hecht. The motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jean Fondi,
Committee Secretary

James I. Gibson,
Committee Chairman