

SENATE PUBLIC RESOURCES COMMITTEE

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Minutes of Meeting --- March 10, 1971

Committee members present: Emerson Titlow, Chairman  
John Fransway  
Floyd Lamb  
Clifton Young  
Carl Dodge  
" " absent Boyd Manning  
Proctor Hug, Sr.

Also present was:

Lee M. Burge State Dept. of Agriculture

Chairman Titlow called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m. Under consideration were eleven bills.

- A.B. 96 Changes requirements relating to registration and inspection of apiaries.
- A.B. 97 Increases registration fee on economic poisons.
- A.B. 98 Increases tonnage license fees on sale of commercial fertilizers and agricultural minerals.
- A.B. 99 Increases fee for inspection of anti-freeze.

Mr. Lee Burge, Director of the Department of Agriculture commented on the above noted bills. He said A.B. 96 would strengthen existing state law which is rather weak in several sections of N.R.S. 552.

Relative to A.B. 97, 98 and 99, Mr. Burge stated these bills, if adopted, would also amend existing state statutes. He said fee schedules currently in effect were drawn about twenty years ago are antiquated by today's standards. He noted that laboratory analysis of anti-freeze costs more than twenty-five dollars. He explained each registrant who wishes to commercially sell poisons, fertilizers, minerals or anti-freeze within the state must furnish the Department of Agriculture with a sample which is then analyzed, before sale is allowed.

Mr. Burge informed the members that if the fee increases noted in the subject bills were effected, they would bring about \$3,000 annual income which would be used to support laboratory expenses incurred by the various analyzing processes.

Senator Dodge moved Do Pass on A.B. 96; seconded by Senator Young. Motion carried 4-1; Senator Lamb dissenting.

Senator Young also moved DO Pass on A.B. 97 and A.B. 98; seconded by Senator Young. Motion unanimously carried.

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Senator Lamb Moved Do Pass on A.B. 99; seconded by Senator Young. Motion carried 4-1; Senator Fransway dissenting.

A.B. 313 Exempts some uses of commercial fertilizer and agricultral minerals from certain fee and licensing requirements.

Senator Lamb moved Do Pass on A.B. 313; seconded by Senator Young. Motion unanimously carried.

A.B. 334 Prohibits animal slaughter at approved plant in brand inspection district without inspection by State Department of Agriculture.

Senator Fransway moved Do Pass on A.B. 334; seconded by Senator Young. Motion unanimously carried.

S.B. 124 Requires certain additional information on weight certificates.

Senator Dodge moved to amend S.B. 124 and Do Pass as amended; seconded by Senator Young. Motion unanimously carried.

Members also discussed the following bills and agreed to hold them for further consideration:

S.B. 36 Requires leases of agricultural land for hunting or fishing to be filed with the Nevada Tax Commission.

S.B. 37 Provides controls on use of earth-moving equipment.

S.B. 99 Provides minimum penalties for violation of fire-, tree-, and flora-protection laws.

A.B. 369 Changes name of Bureau of Mines to Bureau of Mines and Geology.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Jacqueline Crane, Committee Secretary