

Assembly

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

FEBRUARY 26, 1973

MEMBERS PRESENT: CHAIRMAN DINI
VICE-CHAIRMAN ULLOM
ASSEMBLYMAN MAY
ASSEMBLYMAN GOJACK
ASSEMBLYMAN YOUNG
ASSEMBLYMAN SMITH
ASSEMBLYMAN GETTO
ASSEMBLYMAN FORD

ABSENT: ASSEMBLYMAN BROOKMAN (EXCUSED - ILL)

ALSO PRESENT: JOHN MEDER, NEVADA ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY COMMISSION
ROBERT WARREN, NEVADA MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION
HENRY ETCHEMENDY, CARSON CITY MANAGER
BOB ADAMS, CITY OF LAS VEGAS
RICHARD MORGAN, NEVADA STATE EDUCATION ASSOCIATION
ASSEMBLYMAN BANNER
DOROTHY BUTTON, NEVADA NURSES ASSOCIATION
JACK MC GLADE, NYE COUNTY HOSPITAL
CLAUDETTE ENUS, NEVADA EQUAL RIGHTS COMMISSION
ONIE COOPER, NEVADA EQUAL RIGHTS COMMISSION
ASSEMBLYMAN CRAWFORD
BILL LOWE, WASHOE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT
THOMAS WILSON, COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH
ROBERT EDMONDSON, COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH
BILL ISAEFF, DEP. ATTORNEY GENERAL
JOHN BORDA, OFFICE OF HIGHWAY SAFETY
DICK MAYNE, CHAIRMAN, SOUTHERN NEVADA EMS COMMITTEE
LEONARD ROSENSTEIN, MERCY AMBULANCE
MEMBERS OF THE PRESS

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Dini.

AB 232 - Permits governing body to pay portion of group insurance premium for retired public employees.

Assemblyman Banner told the committee of the problem existing in Clark County, which has 16 retired persons, who have continued their group insurance, in the simple detail work of administrating the group insurance. He explained that those employees who retire only carry their group insurance until they reach the age of 65. The estimated cost to the County of Clark would be about \$300. He stressed that this bill would make the payment of premiums optional and not mandatory. He explained that many of these retired persons become ill and are not able to pay the insurance premium and lose the benefits.

Richard Morgan told the committee that soon all government employees in the State of Nevada will be allowed to join the Social Security system. This bill would only be used to carry them from the age of retirement to the age of 65.

Assemblyman Getto asked if this would not in effect open the door and allow the payment of premium to become an item to be negotiated.

Mr. Morgan replied that it would.

Mr. Adams told the committee that the City of Las Vegas opposed the bill because of the cost involved. He stated that the cost would become more each year.

Assemblyman May suggested that the bill could be amended to provide payment of premiums for only retirees who are ill.

Assemblyman Banner explained that many times the employee is not in the area and it would be impossible to trace and keep in touch with the retired employees.

Mr. Meder and Mr. Warren both told the committee that their Associations opposed the measure.

AB 221 - Requires governing body of city or county to enforce restrictive covenants in deeds.

Assemblyman Gojack told the committee that this was a bill introduced by request. Many people who live in sub-divisions are unhappy because not all residents of the sub-divisions follow the covenants.

Mr. Adams told the committee that the City of Las Vegas opposed the bill on the ground that they would have to increase their building inspectors in order to enforce the covenants.

Mr. Meder told the committee that the covenants were so varied that they would be impossible to enforce. He explained that he did not feel that it was a proper governmental function to see that the covenants were enforced.

Mr. Etchemendy told the committee that he agreed with Mr. Meder.

Assemblyman Ford asked whos' duty it was to enforce such covenants.

Mr. Meder said he felt that the residents of a sub-division could form a committee and take civil action against those who were not living up to the restrictions in the deeds.

Mr. Artugus, Vice President of the Nevada Association of Realtors, told the committee that he felt the intent of this

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being misinterpreted, He felt the object of the bill was to insure that the covenants were met at the time the sub-division plans were approved and the sub-division built.

AB 278 - Prohibits discrimination between men and women in real property transactions.

Ms. Enus told the committee that this bill was requested by several women's groups, who felt Nevada law should be consistent with federal law.

AB 279 - Empowers Nevada commission of equal rights of citizens to require posting of certain notices.

Ms. Enus explained that this was an educational measure. The Commission felt that the information as to where one could go to file a complaint should be posted in a place where anyone could see it.

Assemblyman Smith asked if the Commission would furnish the notices.

Ms. Enus said the bill did not provide for this, but she had no objection to an amendment which would so specify.

Assemblyman Crawford asked that the bill be amended so that line, 13, be included in the bill.

AB 281 - Expands authority of Nevada commission of equal rights over discrimination in employment.

Ms. Enus told the committee that this bill changes the number of employees a employer has from 15 to 5. It makes the law much broader and makes it conform more with the federal law.

Eddie Scott, NAACP, told the committee that his organization felt the 5 should be lowered to 1. He said he felt the people of Nevada would not take advantage of a more liberal law.

Assemblyman Crawford told the committee he felt the Equal Rights Commission should have all the backing possible as it is the only place people can appeal for help.

AB359 - Enlarges provisions for emergency medical care.

The chairman told the committee that this bill was an amended version of AB 127.

Assemblyman Getto told the committee that he felt the bill should be amended to include search and rescue personnel and the limit of \$500 be deleted as well as Section 7.

Vice-Chairman Ullom took over the meeting as the Chairman had to attend a Commerce meeting.

Mrs. Button, Nevada Nurses' Association, questioned the certification of nurses. She felt that the Nurses Association should be responsible to the State Board of Health for nurses certification. She also told the committee that there were errors in the medical terminology used in the bill. She questioned if the bill in its present form would protect the public or those serving the public.

Jack McGlade, Nye County Hospital, told the committee that small hospitals such as his could not afford to send ambulance drivers away for extended training.

Bill Lowe, Washoe County Fire Department, told the committee that the bill was his idea and patterned after the law in Los Angeles County, and was intended to cover only two counties in Nevada, Washoe and Clark..

Assemblyman Ford explained to the committee that a mixup had occurred and that evidently three bills were combined, the Para Medic bill, the good samaritan act and the emergency medical services act.

Thomas Wilson explained to the committee that the emergency medical bill had been introduced in the Senate and would be referred to the committee when it passed the Senate. He gave a brief outline of the emergency medical services act. He stressed that the Health Board should have control of licensing and certification. He stated that the proponents of the paramedical bill and his people had met and were scheduled to meet again to work out any differences they might have. Mr. Edmondson told the committee that they were prepared to present a comprehensive plan for emergency medical service which was outlined in SB 257.

Mr. Isaefff told the committee that AB 359 did not accomplish what the object of AB 127 was, as volunteers were still liable.

Mr. Borda told the committee that he objected to the bill because of the money it would take to train the people. He stated he had funds for only a certain amount of training and that he would rather see a comprehensive emergency medical bill passed as one which also included para-medical standards and training requirements.

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COMMITTEE ACTION

AB 232 - Assemblyman Young moved "INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT"
Assemblyman May seconded the motion.

Assemblyman Smith pointed out the bill would give special consideration to local government employees over state employees.

Assemblymen Ullom and Gojack voted NO.
Assemblymen May, Smith, Getto, Ford voted YES.
Assemblyman Brookman and Dini were absent.
The motion carried.

Assemblyman Smith asked for committee introduction of
BDRs 48-230^A and 48-232^O.
Assemblyman Young moved for committee introduction.
The motion carried unanimously.

Assemblyman Smith asked for committee introduction for BDR
36-78.*
Assemblyman Ford moved for committee introduction
Assemblyman May seconded the motion.
The motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned.

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○ A.B. 424
* A.B. 423

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AGENDA FOR COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

Date 2/26 Time 6:00 PM Room 214

<u>Bills or Resolutions to be considered</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Counsel requested*</u>
AB 242	Reorganizes administrative and financial services within executive branch of state government.	
AB 298	Consolidates laobor-related activities of executive branch of state government.	
AB 603	Changes conditions for receipt by and payment to county employees of annual, sick and disability leave.	
AB 75	Prescribes contents of notice to insurance agents required of local governmental entity prior to purchase of insurance.	
AB 199	Provides fo advance notice of meetings of public bodies and for public access to meetings and records thereof.	
AB 752	Permits certain public officers to have conflicts of interest if interests are disclosed and matter is not voted on by interested person.	
AB 652	Requires subdivision plats to show grant of utility easements and public utility company approval thereof.	
AB 658	Enacts Nevada Mobile Home Standards Law.	
AB 550	Creates Nevada American Revolution Bicentennial Commission.	
AB 290	Requires secure premises to be maintained for the Division of Archives and changes the name thereof.	

*Please do not ask for counsel unless necessary.

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AGENDA FOR COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

Date 2/26 Time 2:00 PM Room 214

Bills or Resolutions
to be considered

Subject

Counsel
requested*

A. B. 221

SUMMARY—Requires governing body of city or county to enforce restrictive covenants in deeds. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 20-727)

A. B. 222

SUMMARY—Establishes joint local government purchasing agencies in large counties. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 27-659)

A. B. 232

SUMMARY—Permits governing body to pay portion of group insurance premium for retiring public employees. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 23-854)

A. B. 239

SUMMARY—Requires counties to compensate physicians on staffs of county hospitals for care of indigents and deletes requirement for rotation of staff. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 40-851)

A. B. 278

SUMMARY—Prohibits discrimination between men and women in real property transactions. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 10-378)

A. B. 279

SUMMARY—Empowers Nevada commission on equal rights of citizens to require posting of certain notices. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 18-381)

A. B. 281

SUMMARY—Expands authority of Nevada commission on equal rights of citizens over discrimination in employment. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 53-385)

A. B. 359

SUMMARY—Enlarges provisions for emergency medical care. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 9-1230)