

**Assembly**

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
MARCH 29, 1973

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: ASSEMBLYMAN SMITH  
ASSEMBLYMAN BROOKMAN  
ASSEMBLYMAN MAY

ALSO PRESENT: SEE ATTACHED LIST

The meeting was called to order by the chairman.

AB 525 - Provides for public safety precautions relating to excavations

Mr. Carrington asked the committee to reconsider its action of indefinitely postponing this bill and to have the bill re-refer to the Judiciary Committee. Mr. Springer agreed that this action would be wise.

Assemblyman Gojack stated her objection to the bill was that it was too broad and Section 4 would be impossible to enforce.

AB 277 - Deletes obsolete prohibition of outside occupation for secretary of Nevada Commission on Equal Rights of Citizens. Assemblyman Crawford explained that this was a housekeeping bill which would eliminate the language referring to the secretary. There is now a Director.

AB 280 - Extends application of Nevada Fair Housing Law.

Mr. Scott explained that this bill would bring Nevada's Fair Housing Law into compliance with the Federal Fair Housing Law.

AB 810 - Gives the Nevada Commission of Equal Rights of Citizens the power to issue cease and desist orders to persons violating others' rights to equal employment. *Case*

AB 812 - Gives the Nevada Commission of Equal Rights of Citizens the power to issue cease and desist orders in cases of unfair employment.

Mr. Scott explained to the committee that the federal government required that the Equal Rights Commissions in various states have these powers or they would no longer be certified to use the services of the federal departments dealing in these matters.

The chairman questioned how many other Commissions have these powers. Mr. Scott told the committee that there were many other Commissions with these powers. He stated that the Equal Rights Commission should have the same powers as other Commissions in the State.

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The chairman asked if the Governor approved of the requests. Mr. Scott said he had been working with the Governor's office for many months and had full support of the Administration.

Assemblyman Ford asked how many times the cease and desiste orders would have to be used.

Mr. Scott said that he felt that in the past there had not been too many occasions where such an order would be used. He stated the Equal Rights Commission preferred to try to settle differences in a manner which was fair to all.

AB 813 - Transfers jurisdiction to Nevada Commission on Equal Rights of Citizens over complaints of sex discrimination in employment.

Mr. Scott told the committee that it was manditory under the amendments to the 1964 Civil Rights Law that an agency be designated to handle sex discrimination complaints and he felt the Equal Rights Commission was better able to handle this matter than the Labor Commissioner's office.

AB 814 - Authorizes the Nevada Commission on Equal Rights of Citizens to obtain a court order in a case on unfair employment practice without a prior commission hearing.

Mr. Scott stated that this was really a matter of budget necessity as there was not enough money budgeted for hearings.

AB 506 - Changes composition of Public Employees' Retirement Board.

Mr. Morgan told the committee that an amendment had been drawn up to provide for a seven man board, with five employee representatives. Mr. Warren suggested that one half of the board be employer representatives.

Assemblyman Ullom moved that AB 468 be "INDEFINITELY POSTPONED". Assemblyman Ford seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Assemblyman Ullom moved that AB 764 be given a "DO PASS" recommendation. Assemblyman Gojack seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Asssemblyman Ullom moved that AB 280 be "INDEFINITELY POSTPONED". Assemblyman Ford seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Assemblyman Ullom moved that AB 599 be given a "DO PASS". Assemblyman Gojack seconded the motion. The motion carried.

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AB 450 - Prohibits issuing building permit unless restrictions on property are observed.

Assemblyman Capurro told the committee that the enforcing of building restrictions was a real problem in his district. He asked that the committee reconsider this bill.

Ms. Sheldra told the committee that the amendments to the bill would be satisfactory to the people she represented. The bill would be confined to Washoe County.

Mr. Meder told the committee that he felt there were many problems that might arise, but since it was a Washoe County only bill, he did not object.

Assemblyman Ford moved that AB 846 be given a "DO PASS".  
Assemblyman Young seconded the motion.  
The motion carried unanimously.

Assemblyman Ullom moved "DO PASS" on AB 277.  
Assemblyman Ford seconded the motion.  
The motion carried unanimously.

Assemblyman Ullom moved "AMEND, DO PASS AND HOLD TO RE-REFER" on AB 342.  
Assemblyman Gojack seconded the motion.  
The motion carried.

Assemblyman Ullom moved "DO PASS" on AB 835.  
Assemblyman Gojack seconded the motion.  
The motion carried.

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AB 386

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Humboldt County is presently trying to put together sewer systems to serve Paradise Valley, McDermitt and the unincorporated area outside the City of Winnemucca.

Our bond attorneys advise us that about the only practical way to do this under the existing statutes is under Chapter 310, the General Improvement District Law.

The chief problem associated with General Improvement Districts is that each must by law have a five man elected board of trustees.

Prior to the revision and consolidation of the General Improvement District laws in 1967 as I recall, the county commissioners were the ex-officio board of trustees of sewer districts. We had one in existence and governed in that manner for many years without problem. The board of county commissioners in some instances had appointed boards of trustees as proposed in AB 386, such as with Television Maintenance Districts. Again, Humboldt County had operated its three television districts under that method for several years without problem.

Now however, we will have to have a five man elected board for each sewer district if we proceed. We already have three county wide boards--commissioners, hospital trustees and school trustees--one city wide, the council, six fire districts with three man elected boards of directors for each (and one fire district under a different law in which the board of county commissioners act as the board of directors), two television districts and one sewer district each with five man elected boards and four soil conservation districts with five man elected boards of supervisors each plus three other soil conservation districts covering parts of Humboldt County but lying chiefly in other counties.

What I am driving at is that we have an awful lot of elective boards. Seldom do persons file for election to the various district

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posts and I cannot recall an instance in which there was a contested race for a district office, although there may have been.

This requirement clutters up the election procedure and thus makes the county clerk's job worse.

Passage of AB 386 would be helpful, but amendment of it first and inclusion of a provision as in AB 100 of the 1969 session with the additional alternative of permitting the county commissioners to themselves be the board of trustees of a general improvement district would be a great help, particularly in the small counties.

AB 100 (1969) would have permitted the county commissioners to act as the board of trustees or to have an appointed board of trustees or elected as presently required in all but the Clark County Sewer District where the county commissioners act as the board of trustees.

The only objection that I can foresee to such a law is that it takes the local authority away from the people in the district since they would not be electing their board of trustees. If that were thought to be a problem possibly something could be added providing that on petition by 50% of the property owners or something along that line the board of county commissioners would be required to have an elected board of trustees. As a practical matter though the commissioners usually wind up appointing all the members since so few persons ever file for election so I would suppose the local district control has been somewhat lost.

I enclose a copy of AB 100 from 1969 together with the History which shows it passed the assembly but died in the Senate. The reason for the latter, other than possibly being lost toward the end of the session I just don't know.

I would certainly appreciate favorable consideration of AB 386, particularly if amended as I have outlined. Should you plan to have a hearing or have any questions, I would be very happy to try to answer the questions or attend a hearing--if I were advised of it. Unfortunately by the time the History reaches here the hearings scheduled have usually all been held, so a collect phone call advising me would be helpful.

Yours truly,

  
WILLIAM McDONALD

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AGENDA FOR COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

Date 3/29 Time 6:30 PM Room 214

<u>Bills or Resolutions to be considered</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Counsel requested*</u>
AB 277	Deletes obsolete prohibition of outside occupation for secretary of Nevada Commission on Equal Rights of Citizens.	YES
AB 280	Extends application of Nevada Fair Housing Law.	YES
AB 810	Gives the Nevada Commission of Equal Rights of Citizens the power to issue cease and desist orders to persons violating others' rights to equal employment.	
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AB 814	Authorizes the Nevada Commission on Equal Rights of Citizens to obtain a court order in a case on unfair employment practice without a prior commission hearing.	
AB 468	Reduces number of appraisers required in connection with sale or lease of real property of school district.	
AB 623	Revises annexation laws for cities in counties with population of 200,000 or more.	
AB 764	Authorizes the Public Employees' Retirement to make group payments of Medicare premiums as a service to retired members.	

\*Please do not ask for counsel unless necessary.