

Assembly

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
APRIL 15, 1973

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: ASSEMBLYMAN YOUNG

ALSO PRESENT: SEE ATTACHED LIST

The meeting was called to order by the chairman.

* SB 590 - Changes name of Department of Health, Welfare and Rehabilitation and reorganizes rehabilitation functions of department.

Mr. Frost and Mr. Trounday explained to the committee that this bill would do three things: 1) Change the name of the department; 2) place three of the smaller agencies in the department; 3) provide for the department to be authorized to control day care and nutrition. Mr. Trounday explained that the smaller agencies need the support services of the Rehabilitation Division. He stated they would be individual bureaus. The smaller agencies could use the offices in various parts of the state plus data processing and accounting services.

Assemblyman Ford moved "DO PASS".
Assemblyman Smith seconded the motion.
The motion carried unanimously.

AB 958 - Incorporates City of Sun Valley in Washoe County; provides for election to determine effectiveness of charter and selection of mayor and councilmen.

Assemblyman Bickerstaff told the committee that the bill was introduced as a result of a town meeting in Sun Valley where the residents indicated that they wanted to incorporate. He stated Mr. Russ McDonald will help with the incorporation. It is the feeling that the only way to solve Sun Valley's problems is through incorporation. Assemblyman Ford questioned the date of the election on the basis that officials would be voted upon before it was sure there would be a city. Assemblyman Brickerstaff said he would look into the election dates.

Assemblyman Ullom questioned the age requirement for city officials.

✓ Assemblyman Ford moved "DO PASS" on SB 333.
Assemblyman Ullom seconded the motion.
The motion carried unanimously.

* - See attachment

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Assemblyman Ullom moved "DO PASS" on SB 481.
Assemblyman May seconded the motion.
The motion carried unanimously.

Assemblyman Ford moved "DO PASS" on SB 124.
Assemblyman Ullom seconded the motion.
The motion carried unanimously.

Assemblyman Smith moved "DO PASS" on SB 597.
Assemblyman Ford seconded the motion.
The motion carried unanimously.

Assemblyman May moved "DO PASS" on SB 306.
Assemblyman Smith seconded the motion.
The motion carried unanimously.

Assemblyman Brookman moved that SB 555 be "INDEFINITELY POSTPONED".
Assemblyman May seconded the motion.
The motion carried unanimously.

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

Mr. George Vargas told the committee that the bill as presently drafted might not stand up to a legal test. It conflicts with the Administrative Practices Act. He proposed an amendment which he felt would avoid any problem.

AJR 48 - Proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution by increasing the state debt limit.

Assemblyman May moved "DO PASS".
Assemblyman Getto seconded the motion.
The motion carried.
Assemblyman Ford and Assemblyman Ullom voted NO.

AB 955 - Authorizes counties to provide fire protection services and issue general obligation bonds for acquisition of fire protection facilities.

Mr. Meder presented amendments to this bill.
Mr. Warren told the committee that he concurred with the amendments.
Assemblyman Smith moved that AB 955 be "INDEFINITELY POSTPONED".
Assemblyman May seconded the motion.
The motion carried.
Assemblymen Getto, Gojack and Brookman voted NO.

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SB 340 - Establishes procedure for creation of metropolitan police department.

Mr. Adams told the committee that the Sheriff and the police department had agreed to this bill. He said that it was concurred that this was the best way to bring about consolidation of the law enforcement agencies in Clark County.

Assemblyman Smith told the committee that he did not like the police commission, but because of the amount of work involved in bringing this consolidation into being, he felt that the committee should go along with the bill as written.

Assemblyman Brookman suggested that the commission be made advisory.

Assemblyman Ullom suggested that this bill was only a framework and the committee and the committee should change it if they so desire.

Assemblyman May suggested that the commission gave the Police Force a sense of security and should be kept in for that reason.

Commissioner Broadbent suggested that the commission had more power than was intended. He stated that by giving the commission power of the budget a new layer of government was created.

Assemblyman Ullom question Section 31, Subsection 5, which he felt would limit the sheriff on appointing his choice of assistants.

The chairman appointed a sub-committee of Assemblymen Ullom, Gojack and Getto to work on the bill.

Mr. Perry Bennett reported to the committee on AB 958 stating that the proper way to incorporate a city is to elect the officials at the same time as the election to incorporate is held, so that the officials have some power to set the machinery for setting up the city in action.

Assemblyman Smith moved "DO PASS" on AB 958.
Assemblyman Ullom seconded the motion
The motion carried.
Assemblyman Ford voted NO.

Assemblyman Ullom moved to "INDEFINITELY POSTPONE" AB 657.
Assemblyman May seconded the motion.
The motion carried unanimously.

Assemblyman Ullom moved to "INDEFINITELY POSTPONE" AB 658.
Assemblyman May seconded the motion.
The motion carried unanimously.

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Assemblyman Ford moved "AMEND, DO PASS AND HOLD" on AB 814.
Assemblyman Ullom seconded the motion.
The motion carried,

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TESTIFY

REPRESENTING

YES NO

NAME	BILL #	TESTIFY YES NO	REPRESENTING
<i>Boyer Soudry</i>	58590	✓	<i>Dept Health Welfare Rehabilitation</i>
<i>Red Frost</i>	58590	✓	
<i>Bob Warren</i>	?	?	<i>N. M. A.</i>
<i>WE "Bill" Adams</i>			<i>City of Las Vegas</i>
<i>Bob Goodhart</i>			<i>Clark Co.</i>
<i>Gloria Betoni</i>	58590	✓	<i>Rehab.</i>

SB 590

A PROPOSAL
FOR REORGANIZATION
OF THE NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH, WELFARE, & REHABILITATION

Statement of Problem:

The Rehabilitation Division, the Services to the Blind Division, and the Alcoholism Division are three divisions of the Department of Health, Welfare, and Rehabilitation, whose service delivery systems and client populations are similar. The services to the Blind Division is the vocational rehabilitation agency for the blind and severely visually impaired. The Rehabilitation Division is the vocational rehabilitation agency for all other handicapping conditions. These two agencies provide for their full population through direct services. The Alcoholism Division provides its clients services through community based programs designed to rehabilitate the alcoholic, who are also served by the Rehabilitation Division. These similarities are presenting a situation in which there exists:

Cost deficiency, duplication and overlapping in program services, fragmented program availability and costly administrative burden.

Proposed Solution: SB 590

To eliminate this problem, it is herein proposed that the Rehabilitation Division, the Services to the Blind Division, and the Alcoholism Division be consolidated into one Division of Rehabilitation.

Cost Deficiency:

Cost deficiency is graphically illustrated by the fact that the Federal and State governments require the Division of Services to the Blind to collect, store, and provide fiscal and statistical data at a level and in the same form as that required of the larger Vocational Rehabilitation Division. Therefore, no matter how small that agency's service program, a certain level of operating and administrative costs and a certain number of operating and administrative personnel are required - required for accountability and compliance, not necessarily justified by the size of the service program.

Though the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Division does not, at this time, have the same federal requirements, one can assume these to be forthcoming in that their programs are being taken over by the Health, Education, and Welfare Federal Agency, who insists upon accountability. To express the benefits of this immediate retrievable accountability, at the state level, would be redundant.

Duplication:

Such a reorganization, as proposed, will directly reduce duplication and overlap in program services, delivery systems, and administration; in support systems such as accounting, statistical reporting, planning, research, in-service training, etc.; in-plant-facility and operating costs; and in and through unified budget planning.

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Increased Program Availability:

The proposed reorganization will result in increased program availability. That is, programs and services will become available to the staff and clients of all three divisions together that are not now available to all three separately. Such programs and services include expansion through outreach into population areas, in Nevada, that are now served by only one or even none of these three separate agencies; an organized program of in-service staff training which has only recently become available in one of the separate agencies; program research and planning, which is currently active in only one of the agencies; and comprehensive facility services for work adjustment, work tolerance, and complete diagnostic evaluation and testing, such services currently being available in only one of the separate agency programs. In addition, and of major importance to the State of Nevada, such a reorganization would provide increased federal matching capability of state general funds.

Reduction in Administrative Burden:

The proposed reorganization will directly reduce the number of agencies reporting to the director of the Department of Health, Welfare and Rehabilitation, alleviating, in this way, some of the administrative burden of the Department administration. It would also increase the responsiveness to the people of Nevada, and would improve communications in all directions.

Comment:

It should be noted that service program identity will be maintained via sectionalization, and no budget identity would be lost. With increased matchability, the State General Fund may indeed, in the future, not be required to provide a disproportionate level of support.

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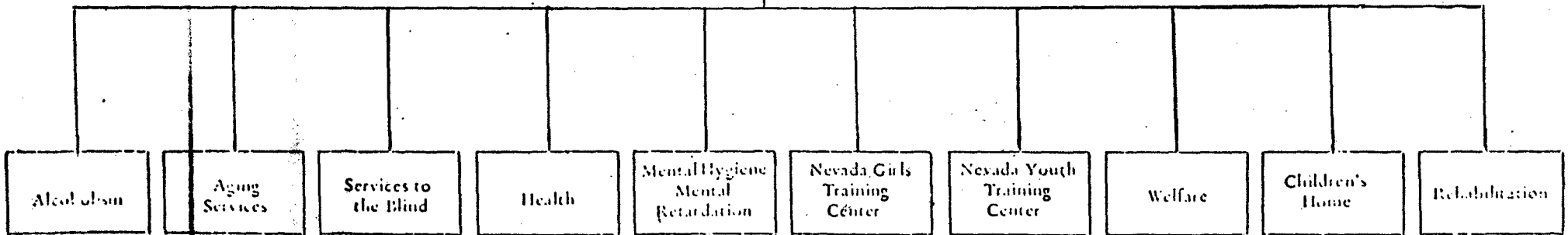
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From the desk of Assemblyman...

MARY L. GOJACK

*To introduce
Sun Valley city bill*

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From the desk of Assemblyman . . .

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Members of the Committee

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