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GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MINUTES OF THE MEETING APRIL 17, 1973

MEMBERS PRESENT:

CHAIRMAN DINI

VICE-CHAIRMAN ULLOM ASSEMBLYMAN BROOKMAN

ASSEMBLYMAN MAY
ASSEMBLYMAN SMITH
ASSEMBLYMAN GETTO
ASSEMBLYMAN GOJACK
ASSEMBLYMAN YOUNG
ASSEMBLYMAN FORD

ALSO PRESENT:

SEE ATTACHED

The meeting was called to order by the chairman.

SB 490 - Establishes Nevada Tahoe regional planning agency.

John Meder and Richard Hanna told the committee that as a result of a study made in the Stateline area of Lake Tahoe it was found that the traffic problems and the growth problems of the area are far more serious than generally believed. The way to solve these problems and plan for future growth is to establish a Nevada Tahoe regional planning agency. This agency would approve all building at Lake Tahoe after the local planning boards and the county commissioners had approved the plans.

Assemblyman Ullom asked why the planning agency had to be a seperate legal entity.

Mr. Hanna answered that it would permit the agency to sue and be sued.

Assemblyman Ullom asked the source of funding for this new agency.

It was explained that the fees charged would support the agency.

Mr. Knisley told the committee that this agency was needed because this is an area that covers several counties and one agency should be looking over all the building. He stated that the staff would be drawn from the Tahoe Regional Planning Commission.

Harold Dayton, Douglas County Commissioner, told the committee that the Douglas County Commission was opposed to this bill. He stated that the area was not over-built and the planning commission and the county commissioners limit the gambling establishments by zoning and have been doing so for many years. He stated that the area that was over-built and caused the traffic problems was the California side.

Ray Smith, planner, told the committee that he opposed the bill for the following reasons: 1) No demonstrated need had been

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has been proven; 2) Appropriate review exists presently; 3) It is up to the local jurisdictions to solve the traffic problems 4) There is no emergency situation at present; 5) The gambling line presently exists, and the sewer district was formed and bonds sold on the idea that the area would grow.

David Hoy showed the committee maps of the area and pointed out that the growth in the area had been on the California side of the Lake. Mr. Hoy asked who paid for the study. Why was the study made? He also pointed out that the staff of the Tahoe Regional Planning Commission was made up of Californians and that they tried to make it look as though the problems were all Nevada's. He suggested that if the bill were passed, an amendment should be added changing the board makeup.

Ted Stokes told the committee that he opposed the bill for the following reasons: 1) no agency can operate without funds; 2) Section 25 of the bill would prohibit building even though the zoning were proper.

Senator Wilson told the committee that the bill was the result of several Senate hearings. The facts brought out in the hearings were 1) That some means had to be found to show the rate of growth in the Lake Tahoe area; 2) That unless Nevada gambling expands in a reasonable way, the industry is in trouble.

Assemblyman Ullom asked if there was a need for this bill because there was a void in the control Nevada now exercises over the problems at the Lake.

Senator Wilson said that was the case. He explained that the interests of the Lake and the counties were different, and that the county commissioners did not always understand the problems of the Lake area.

Mr. De Ricco told the committee that he favored the bill, not because he would be a member of the agency, but because it was necessary. Since gambling was excluded from the bi-state compact, it was up to Nevada to take care of the gambling industry.

Assemblyman Jacobsen stated he opposed the bill and resented the implications that the local authorities were not doing their job.

Assemblyman Ullom asked if the statements made were valid.

Assemblyman Jacobson stated that the Lake area had representation on all boards in Douglas County.

Mr. Stokes told the committee that the study was paid for by

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several counties and several clubs in the area.

Mr. Knisley said that the TRPC members were all men who would not be swayed by the California viewpoint.

John Meder stated the check for the study had come from the TAC.

SB 622 - Authorizes county commissioners to lease property held in trust by county treasurer for purposes of production of oil, gas, other hydrocarbon substances, natural steam.

Mr. Vargas, representing Standard Oil, told the committee that this bill was drawn to allow counties to lease property that they hold in trust for unpaid taxes to the oil companies for exploration. The county commissioners would set the terms of the lease and accept or reject any bids.

Assemblyman Getto moved "DO PAS". Pross
Assemblyman Smith seconded the motion.
The motion carried unanimously.

SB 600 Allows establishment of limited medical facilities and ambulance services for outlying areas.

Commissioner Broadbent told the committee that an Attorney General's ruling had stated that the county commissioners had no authority to provide such services to outlying areas. Since Clark County is already doing this, and they believe it necessary to provide such services, this bill would give a legal basis for their actions.

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

SB 120 - Makes technical changes in surveying and mapping provisions affecting subdivision of land.

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

SB 470 - Requires governor to prescribe and administer land use plans and zoning; regulations upon failure of unimplementation of local planning and regulations date.

John Meder said that his organization had no definite stand on this bill.

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Mr. DeRicco told the committee that this would be the first step in land use planning and was needed.

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

SB 319 -Authorizes incorporated cities and towns to acquire improve, equip, operate, and maintain public improvements and to issue bonds to acquire, improve and equip public improvements.

Mr. Warren told the committee that this bill was requested by the bonding attorneys for the City of Reno to put the railroad underground. They felt that specific power should be granted instead of implied power.

The chairman stated that the title had to be amended.

AB 644 - Assemblyman Young moved "INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT"
Assemblyman Getto seconded the motion.
The motion carried.

Voting NO were Assemblymen Ullom, Brookman, Gojack and Ford.

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Assemblyman Smith moved that the committee adopt the amendments for AB 130.

Assemblyman May seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Assemblyman Getto moved that AB 872 be "INDEFINITELY POSTPONED". Assemblyman Smith seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

Assemblyman May did not vote.

Assemblyman Smith moved that the committee recind its action on AB 125. Assemblyman Ullom seconded the motion. The motion did not carry.

Assemblyman Smith moved "DO PASS" on <u>SB 319</u>. Assemblyman May seconded the motion. The motion carried. Assemblyman Brookman did not vote.

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

Mr. Adams presented the committee with amendments that had been agreed upon by everyone concerned. So there was general agreement on the amendments.

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The sub committee reported that they had not had a chance to work on the bill and had no recommendation at this time.

Assemblyman Smith moved "AMEND AND DO PASS."

Assemblyman Young seconded the motion.

The motion carried.

Assemblymen Ullom and Gojack did not vote. Assemblyman Dini voted NO.

Assemblyman Ullom stated that he could go along with this bill as passed, but stressed he had objections to Section 31, line 32, which provides for the administrative staff to be pick from the highest ranking members of the force. He stated that a sheriff needed leeway in picking the people serving under him.