

Assembly

HEALTH & WELFARE COMMITTEE MINUTES

FEBRUARY 21, 1973

MEMBERS PRESENT: BENNETT, CRADDOCK, WITTENBERG, McNEEL,
GETTO & HICKEY

MEMBERS ABSENT: FRY

GUESTS: Dr. Gwen O'Bryan, Div. of Mental Hygiene & Mental Retardat.
Dr. Chuck Dickson, " " " "
Roxie B. Claiborne, w/c E.O.B.
Nancy Gomes, Welfare Coalition
Ruby Duncan, C.C.W.R.O.
Sister Carole Hurry, Franciscan Center

Meeting called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Chairman Bennett for the purpose of discussing AB 260.

Drs. Gwen O'Bryan and Chuck Dickson, of the Division of Mental Hygiene and Mental Retardation appeared as witnesses for the bill.

Dr. Dickson said the bill was basically to enable their Division to run a facility in Las Vegas to treat severely emotionally disturbed children. At the present time there is no such facility, and these children are being placed out of state at a cost to Welfare of \$132,000. There are 17 in private institutions in Nevada at an estimated cost of \$45,000.

They plan four cottage type homes with a high quality staff, and the children would come in as inpatients for a small period of time, then go to a halfway station and then return home where they would be visited and treated as outpatients. The staff would counsel and train the children and also their parents, or potential foster parents.

They would prefer the facility in East Las Vegas because that is where the greatest density of population is for this retarded group, and also the greatest concentration of schools.

Questioned about the fiscal note, Dr. Dickson stated that the Governor had recommended \$340,000 for the first year, \$208,000 of which would come from general appropriation and \$132,000 from social services. For the second year, the Governor recommended \$296,000 from general appropriation and \$176,000 from social services. The cost of building would be approximately one million dollars.

Mr. Getto questioned the effectiveness of the program and asked if there were any figures on the percentage of children who could return to school or improved. Dr. O'Bryan said

there had been research on this, and out of 40 children treated, 38 were able to return to community.

Dr. Dickson stated this program would be focusing on children in early school years, and that there are 2000 in the county that could use some help. The inpatient service would be short, but the main service is in outside follow-through and treatment. It will not solve all problems for all children, but will solve some problems for a few, which is a start.

The Planning Board is now working on drawings for the facility, and Dr. Dickson showed tentative plans to the Committee.

The witnesses were excused.

Chairman Bennett stated he had received the requested amendment to AB 213 from the bill drafters and would entertain motions. Mr. McNeel made a motion "Amend and do pass" which was seconded by Mr. Getto. All members present voted "Yes".

On AB 260, a motion was made by Mr. Hickey "Do Pass" and seconded by Mr. Wittenberg. All members present voted "Yes".

Chairman Bennett passed around a bill pertaining to expanding public child welfare and youth services, and asked if the Committee would like to introduce such bill. Mr. Wittenberg moved that the Committee introduce the bill, and Mr. Hickey seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Dunne, Secretary

ASSEMBLY

AGENDA FOR COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND WELFARE

Monday

Date FEB. 19, 1973 Time 8:00 a.m. Room 240

Bills or Resolutions
to be considered

Subject

Counsel
requested*

AB 260

Authorizes operation of facility
for treatment of emotionally
disturbed children

Supervisor
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*Please do not ask for counsel unless necessary.

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ASSEMBLY

AGENDA FOR COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & WELFARE
Wednesday
Date Feb. 21, 1973 Time 8:00 a.m. Room 240

<u>Bills or Resolutions to be considered</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Counsel requested*</u>
	<u>THIS AGENDA SUPERSEDES PREVIOUSLY</u>	
	<u>PUBLISHED AGENDA FOR FEBUARY 19, 1973</u>	
<u>AB 260</u>	<u>Authorizes operation of facility for treatment of emotionally disturbed children.</u>	

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57TH NEVADA LEGISLATURE

HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE
LEGISLATION ACTION

DATE February 21, 1973

SUBJECT AB 213

MOTION:

AMEND & Do Pass x Amend _____ Indefinitely Postpone _____ Reconsider ---

Moved By McNeel Seconded by Getto

AMENDMENT:

Moved By _____ Seconded By _____

AMENDMENT:

Moved By _____ Seconded By _____

VOTE:

	MOTION		AMEND		AMEND	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Bennett, M.	<u>x</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Craddock, R.	<u>x</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Hickey, T.	<u>x</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Wittenberg, A.	<u>x</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Fry, L.	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Getto, V.	<u>x</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
McNeel, R.	<u>x</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

TALLY:

Original Motion: Passed xx Defeated _____ Withdrawn _____

Amended & Passed _____ Amended & Defeated _____

Amended & Passed _____ Amended & Defeated _____

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57TH NEVADA LEGISLATURE

HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE
LEGISLATION ACTION

DATE February 21, 1973

SUBJECT AB 260

MOTION:

Do Pass Amend Indefinitely Postpone Reconsider

Moved By Hickey Seconded by Wittenberg

AMENDMENT:

Moved By _____ Seconded By _____

AMENDMENT:

Moved By _____ Seconded By _____

VOTE:

	MOTION		AMEND		AMEND	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
Bennett, M.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					
Craddock, R.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					
Hickey, T.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					
Wittenberg, A.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					
Fry, L.						
Getto, V.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					
McNeel, R.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					

TALLY:

Original Motion: Passed Defeated Withdrawn

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