

Assembly

HEALTH & WELFARE COMMITTEE MINUTES

MARCH 30, 1973

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE

GUEST LIST (See Attached Sheet)

Meeting was called to order at 8:05 a.m. by Chairman Bennett who stated the first order of business was AB 741.

Cloyd Phillips, Ex-Director of the Economic Opportunity Board of Washoe County, was the first speaker in support of AB 741. He showed numerous slides of the facilities, activities, personnel, etc. of EOB in Washoe County, and gave a brief description of each.

Mr. Phillips presented each Committee member with a "package" containing the Annual Report of EOB, a report showing how funds were administered by EOB from 1968 through 1972, a listing of agencies provided assistance by EOB, and various other informative reports and data covering EOB activities.

Mr. Dick Green, Washoe County Planner for EOB, was the next speaker. Social programming is getting money to do for the community, and getting people without money to get money. It is also to get people to change their attitudes about themselves. EOB is different from most agencies in that they work directly with the people, in the streets, in their homes, and with their children on a day to day basis. EOB is going more and more to getting people to change their attitudes so they can get out of poverty.

Pat Palmer, Board member, stated that he was also an instructor at the University and a social worker in Northern Nevada. They have developed this year a local development corporation to work with industry in getting small business loans. He referred to the manual on Applying for Small Business Loans as prepared by EOB. Administrators in EOB are supplying direct services to people and not just shuffling paper. This bill is providing for monies to go to any non-profit organizations that will help the poor.

Roxie Caliborne, member of Washoe County EOB Board, cited personal experiences of how EOB had helped her.

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The next bill to be discussed was AB 511.

Cherie Gurschke appeared with her guide dog. She has been working to get proper legislation to allow blind persons to have their guide dogs with them in public places, at work etc. She felt the law of 1971 was completely inadequate. She read the different sections of the law with proposed changes, and also suggested amendments to this bill.

Mr. M. Flander, Nevada Services to the Blind, urged support of bill but felt it should be amended to have certificates for guide dog schools issued by some agency for the blind, rather than the Veterans' Administration.

Noel Clark, Nevada Public Service Commission, saw no problems with bill except he had reservations about a guide dog on a plane not being muzzled.

Robert Guinn, Director of Motor Transport Corp., said he had checked with bus companies and their only concern was the statement that a guide dog "shall not be presumed dangerous by reason of the fact it is not muzzled", and the liability of the visually handicapped for any damage caused by the dog.

Next to be discussed was AB 491.

Dave Tomlinson, State Welfare Department, stated they had no objection to the bill as it was written, the change was obviously a very short one in the legislation itself. Their only concern is that it says, "Fiscal bill: No". It is obvious that ^{by} adding additional persons to the welfare rolls there would be a fiscal impact which could well range up to a million and a half dollars a year. It would be an increase in case load of approximately 15%. Questioned as to how he arrived at that figure, Mr. Tomlinson said California has a current rate of unemployed parents of 14%, and Oregon 17%, and it was based on neighboring states rates. He further stated that the language being deleted in AB 491 would make it in direct conflict to AB-180 which the Committee had passed, both houses had passed, and it had been signed by Governor.

Nancy Gomes of the Welfare Coalition stated that the 15% figure mentioned by Mr. Tomlinson was much too high - it would be 7 or 8%. It is unfair to compare Nevada to California as California gives bigger grants. They are

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asking for passage of this bill in order to keep families together.

Roxie Caliborne also felt this bill would enable families to stay together and told of the breakup of her marriage due to the fact they could not get welfare if the father was unemployed and living at home.

Essie M. Henderson also questioned Mr. Tomlinson's figures and said it was unfair to compare Nevada to California. She has four children and only receives \$182 a month which is not enough to keep family.

Judy Monk of Washoe County said this legislation would help keep family together and also it would be easier for father to find work if he were living at home. People do not want to be on welfare, they want to work.

Eddie Scott, Director of Race Relations Center, urged passage of the bill. There are circumstances where men in the home need help, and he knows of instances where men unable to find work have had to abandon their families in order that the family could get welfare.

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Mina Miller, taxpayer, said that one of the things people pay for is to have a Welfare Department which will help poor people. It seems that the Welfare Department is fighting poor people and she has serious reservations about the way the Welfare Department is spending its money. The Welfare Department is trying to keep out these programs and thus depriving people who are in need.

Chairman Bennett stated there was no time for more witnesses and if someone wanted to present additional information it would have to be heard next week.

Committee action:

AB 741 - Mr. Wittenberg moved "do pass" and refer to Committee on Ways & Means. Second by Mr. McNeel. Unanimously passed.

AB 511 - Mr. Hickey moved "amend and do pass". Second by Mr. Craddock. Unanimously passed. Mr. Fry to draw amendment.

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AB 584 - Mr. Wittenberg made a "do pass" motion. Mr. Hickey seconded. Unanimously passed.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Dunne, Secretary

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AGENDA FOR COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & WELFARE

Friday

Date March 30, 1973 Time 8:00 a.m. Room 240

Bills or Resolutions
to be considered

Subject

Counsel
requested*

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guide dogs without restraint.

AB 491

Enlarges eligibility for aid to dependent
children.

Superseded

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PUBLISHED AGENDA FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 30, 1973

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| AB 491 | Enlarges eligibility for aid to dependent children. | |
| SB 192 | Amends special probation program for juveniles subsidized by State of Nevada. | |

HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE
LEGISLATION ACTION

DATE March 30, 1973

SUBJECT AB 511

MOTION:

Amend &

Do Pass x Amend Indefinitely Postpone Reconsider --

Moved By Mr. Hickey Seconded by Mr. Craddock

AMENDMENT:

To be drawn by Mr. Fry

Moved By Seconded By

AMENDMENT:

Moved By Seconded By

VOTE:

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

TALLY:

Original Motion: Passed xx Defeated Withdrawn

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HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE
LEGISLATION ACTION

DATE March 30, 1973

SUBJECT AB 584

MOTION:

Do Pass xx Amend Indefinitely Postpone Reconsider --

Moved By Wittenberg Seconded by Hickey

AMENDMENT:

Moved By Seconded By

AMENDMENT:

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VOTE:	<u>MOTION</u>		<u>AMEND</u>		<u>AMEND</u>	
	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Bennett, M.	<u>x</u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
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GUEST REGISTER

DATE	NAME	REPRESENTING	WISH TO SPEAK (Specify Bill)	
			YES	NO
	Pat Palmer	EOB Washoe, ^{Social Workers of Northern Nevada} Univ. of Nev., ^{Yaki}		
	Dick Green	EOB IF Washoe County Plan	741	
	Cloyd Phillips	" " (EX. DIR.)	741	
	Joanne & Killian	Cherie Gurschke	AB 511	may
	Cherie Gurschke	self	AB 511	
	R.P. Keasberry	GUIDE DOGS FOR THE BLIND	AB 511	
	M. Flander	Nv. Srvc. to Blind	AB 511	
	D. Tomlinson	St. Welfare	AB-491	
	E. YAMASHITA	" "		—
	Glade Hall	Nv P.C.	AB 511	
	Noel Clark	"	"	
	Velma Bishop		491	
	Dorothy Don Paul	CCWRO	816 491	
	Terica Johnson	E.O.B Washoe County	741-816	
	Royce Calhoun	E.O.B Washoe County Board	741-816	
	Essie M. Henderson	W.R.O.C.C.	491	
	Myra Nigam	Citizens + Coalition ^{at} Welfare	491	
	Nancy Gomes	Welfare Coalition	491	
	Elaine Backman	" "	AB 491	✓
	Gail W. Gail	League of Women Voters	AB 491 SB 402	
	Terry Gomes	Student of Democracy		✓
	J. Don Noyes	Clark County E.O.B.	741-816	