

Assembly
LEGISLATIVE FUNCTIONS
COMMITTEE MEETING
ROOM 222
THURSDAY, MARCH 22, 1973

MEMBERS PRESENT:
BROOKMAN CHAIRMAN
MELLO VICE CHAIRMAN
BENNETT
BREMNER
JACOBSEN
TORVINEN

EXCUSED: YOUNG

GUESTS: SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE, KEITH ASHWORTH, ASSEMBLYMAN JEAN FORD .

The meeting came to order at 12:15 with the "roll call" by Chairman Brookman.

The first discussion of the meeting was on A.B. 113, in regard to Legislator's retirement; removing restrictions for lapse of service. It was first decided to have a hearing on this and to have Assemblyman Lowman appear, as it was his bill. There was then a motion to "kill" A.B. 113. The motion was carried.

Next: A.B. 558 was up for discussion (Jean Ford's bill). Mrs. Ford entered the meeting during the discussion, and they continued the "pros and cons." The general feeling was that the legislature needs "Rules" not "laws", to govern them. Mr. Torvinen elucidated on this and Mr. Ashworth was in accord and thought that A.B. 558 should be "killed." Mr. Jacobsen thought that one, two, and five should be "deleted". Mr. Ashworth's comment on section 5 - "that we are governed by rules in the legislature - and not by law - the Speaker can set a guideline". Mr. Jacobsen "amend and Do Pass A.B. 558 deleting section 3 and 4." This was seconded by Mr. Torvinen. Chairman Brookman asked for discussion - none. "Kill or Vote." Voted - 3 to 3 - "Killed."

A.J.R. 7 To amend Nevada Constitution to provide for anual session of the Legislature - "To be on Hearing."

Next bill considered: A.B. 655 - Specifies duties and responsibilities of Director of Legislative Counsel Bureau and makes the position full time. Mr. Jacobsen "It is a question whether Palmer is the boss, or Wooster." Mr. Torvinen - Re: second section "Legal decisions should be made by the Counsel Bureau - individual decisions for the man who is trained in it." A suggestion was made by Mr. Jacobsen to have Mr. Palmer appear at the next meeting. Mr. Ashworth stated that section 1 should take care of everything - not necessary to enumerate all departments and heads - Director of Counsel is the head of things. Mr. Ashworth excused from the meeting at approximately 1:00 P.M. Mr. Mello stated that section 1 - spells out who the boss is, should know who the boss is now. Mr. Mello felt that to get Mr. Palmer up here might no be a very good idea, and suggested that they leave this until the following meeting and get Mr. Lowman's opinion on this. Mr. Mello and Mr. Jacobsen felt that this was commission business.

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A.B. 659 received unanimous "Do Pass."

Chairman Brookman referred to a letter which each member had in their committee book from a Leo A. Wilner, Executive Director, Temple Beth Shalom. The letter was an answer to a request from Chairman Brookman requesting a Jewish Bible and Podium for the Assembly Chambers. It was noted in the answer to her request that Mr. Wilner was authorized to get this Bible and stand for Chairman Brookman to present to the Legislature as a gift from the Temple.

Next in the order of business was A.J.R. 2 "Consent Calendar" This resolution was discussed, but not to great length. Chairman Brookman asked that this be given some reasearch, and Mr. Jacobsen agreed. All in accord.

Up for hearings were:

A.J.R. 7

A.J.R. 12

A.J.R. 13

A.J.R. 22

"Indefinitely Postponed"

A.J.R. 24

"Hearing"(Mr. Lowman's Resolution)

S.C.R. 6

"Hold"

A.C.R. 8

"Hearing"

A.C.R. 12

"Hearing"

A.C.R. 9

Directs Legislative Commission to study Nevada Divorce Laws. Mr. Jacobsen said that this is "Judicial Determination" in his opinion. Mr. Torvinen stated that he would "delete" 4. (the effect of California and Mexican divorces on Nevada Divorce Law. Mr. Jacobsen moved "Do Not Pass", seconded by Mr. Torvinen. All in favor.

A.C.R. 18

Mr. Bremner moved "Do Pass" seconded by Mr. Jacobsen. Motion made, seconded and passed.

A motion was made and carried for adjournment at 1:35 approximately.

Respectfully submitted,
Virginia Pace, secretary

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Bills or Resolutions to be considered	Subject	Counsel requested*
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A.B. 113 <i>"Killed"</i>	Removes restrictions for lapse of service	
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4/6 amend + <i>"O. Pass"</i>	on legislators retirement rights.	
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A.B. 558 <i>"Killed"</i>	Declares power of legislature to establish committees and provides for committee functions, powers and duties.	
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4/6 <i>"Pass" as amended</i> A.B. 655 <i>Hearing</i> Mr. De Pass	Specifies duties and responsibilities of director of legislative counsel bureau and makes the position full-time.	
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A.B. 659 <i>"O. Pass"</i>	Increases cost of supplying bill books.	
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4/6 A.J.R. 2 <i>"Do Pass"</i>	Amends constitution to provide for consent calendar.	
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<i>"O. Pass"</i> A.J.R. 7 <i>Hearing</i>	Proposes to amend Nevada constitution to provide for annual sessions of legislature.	
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<i>"O. Pass"</i> A.J.R. 12 <i>Hearing</i>	Proposes constitutional amendment to remove restriction on number of days for which legislators may be compensated during any session.	
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<i>"L.P."</i> A.J.R. 13 <i>Hearing</i>	Proposes constitutional amendment to permit	
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A.J.R. 13 (contd.)	legislature to add items for consideration in special session called by Governor and to permit legislature to call itself into special session.	
A.J.R. 22 "L. P."	Provides for study of operations, facilities and procedures of legislature.	
A.J.R. 24 "L. P." "Hearing"	Proposes to amend the Nev. Constitution by allowing regular sessions of the legislature to commence any time during first quarter of odd years & by providing for an organizational period at the beginning of each regular session.	
S.C.R. 6 <i>L. Hall</i>	Directs legislative commission to study laws of Nevada to determine which, if any deny equal rights to women.	
4/6 A.C.R. 8 <i>Killed</i>	Directs legislative commission to conduct study of charges and elements which enter into determination of hospital rates in state.	
"Do Pass" A.C.R. 12 "Hearing"	Directs legislative commission to study financial conditions of housing authorities.	
A.C.R. 9 <i>Killed</i>	Directs legislative commission to study Nev. divorce laws.	

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A.C.R. 18 "Do Pass"

Directs legislative commission to study effect of reducing age of majority.

4/6 A.C.R. 19 "Do Pass"

Directs legislative commission to conduct study of probate and related provisions in state of Nevada and other states.

4/6 A.C.R. 20 "Do Kill"

Directs legislative commission to undertake study of county, municipal and unincorporated governments.

A.C.R. 28

Directs state commission of environmental protection to study effects of use of salt on snow-covered streets and highways.

A.R. 13

Adopts a standing rule for the assembly of the Nevada legislature for the 57th regular session.

A.C.R. 31 Directs legislative commission to study probate & estate administration law.

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BILLS ADDED SINCE AGENDA OF MARCH 22, 1973.

4/6 "D. Pass" ✓
A.B. 769

March 22, 1973 Extends power of superintendent of department of state printing over multiple duplication equipment.

4/6 "D. Pass" ✓
A.B. 770

Allows state printing office to print for official state functions
March 22, 1973.

4/6 "D.P." ✓
A.B. 771

March 22, 1973 - Extends state printing service to all state agencies.

4/6 "D.P." ✓
A.B. 869

Requires repealer bills to set forth certain information.
March 27, 1973.

4/6 "Hold" ✓
A.J.R. 31

Proposes to amend Nevada constitution by removing lieutenant governor as president of senate.
March 27, 1973.

4/6 I.P. "Hold" ✓
A.C.R. 32

Directs legislative commission to study reorganization of state government.
March 22, 1973

4/6 "D. Pass" ✓
"STAFF"
A.C.R. 34

Directs legislative commission to study public defender system as it relates to municipal and justices' courts.
March 27, 1973.

4/6 "D. Pass" ✓

A.C.R. 35 ✓
Directs legislative commission to study mobile home taxation.

S.B. 476 March 15, 1973
Eliminates requirement that independent contractors' contracts be filed with legislative commission.

4/6 "D. Pass"
Question on this!

4/6 "D.P." ✓
A.C.R. 36

A.J.R. 39

4/6

Do Pass

APRIL 2, 1973 Memorializes Congress to provide that any funds which may be appropriated under the proposed special revenue sharing program will be disbursed directly to state governments for allocation to local programs.

4/6

A.C.R. 24

"STAFF" Do Pass

MARCH 13, 1973 Directs legislative commission to study desirability and feasibility of creating prosecution districts. (Hafen)

4/6

A.C.R. 37

"Killed"

APRIL 2, 1973 Directs legislative commission to conduct study of acupuncture. (Lowman)

4/6 *Do Pass*

A.J.R. 40 April 3, 1973 (MRS. GOJACK) Memorializes the President to hold party for

wounded and disabled veterans of Vietnam conflict.

A.C.R. 39 April 3, 1973 (Smith) Directs legislative commission to study the feasibility of state leasing of buildings for agencies and departments.

4/6 *Do Pass*

A.C.R. 40 April 4, 1973 Directs legislative commission to study consumer protection laws.

4/6 *Do Pass*

A.C.R. 41 April 4, 1973 Directs legislative commission to study private and public water suppliers.

4/6 *Do Pass*

A.R. 19 April 4, 1973 (Mr. Fry) Adopts Assembly Standing Rule limiting bill introductions.

I.D.P.

S.B. 617 - April 5, 1973 - Provides uniform reference to legislative fund and certain expenditure therefrom.