

## TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

FEBRUARY 6, 1973

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Glover  
Mr. May  
Mr. Smalley  
Mr. Bickerstaff  
Mr. Howard  
Mr. Jacobsen  
Mr. Dreyer (Arrived after all the testimony  
was taken)

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

GUESTS: Howard Hill, Director, Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles  
Robert Quinn, Nevada Motor Transportation Association  
Assemblyman Gojack  
W. W. Richards, Chief, Motor Carrier Division of DMV  
Leonard Winkelman, Internal Auditor, DMV  
John Ciardella, Chief, Registration Division of DMV

Chairman Glover called the meeting of the Transportation Committee to order at 4:00 on February 6, 1973. The purpose of the meeting was to hear testimony and discuss AB 164, AB 36, and SB 63. Chairman Glover then called for any testimony on AB 164, a bill dealing with changing the numbering system for State Assemblymen's license plates.

First to give testimony on this bill was Assemblyman Gojack. She stated that she felt that the numbering system should be changed to give recognition to seniority. Her suggested system would have up to 7 digits. The first would be the number of years the Assemblyman had served, the next would be the letter D for district, and the last would be the District no. (Example: Mrs. Gojack's would be 2-D-23.) She felt in this manner the vehicle could be easily identified by the public and would be an asset during campaigns. The only objection she had encountered was that the present licence was so brief and easy to remember.

In connection with the license plates Mr. May asked if any of the Assemblymen with these semi-official license plates were involved in an accident could the State be joined in a suit? Howard Hill of the Department of Motor Vehicles was not sure but said that he would ask their legal counsel for an opinion on this matter.

The next bill to be considered was AB 36, amending the provisions concerning new residents in regard to motor vehicle operation and licensing and driver's licensing.

Robert Quinn of the Nevada Motor Transportation Association asked to make a statement. He said that the NMTA had a couple of points he wished to make concerning the bill and that NMTA was taking no position on the idea of the bill. He said that they felt that the bill needed a little cleaning up and in some places the wording was a little faulty at times. The NMTA did not like the idea of having to surrender the license plates, especially in connection with workers who were only going to be in the State for a short period of time such as 3-4 months for an example a migrant worker. They were also worried about what this bill might do to our reciprocity agreements. He was sure that the Department did not want to upset any of the agreements. He then went on to explain the three types of reciprocity agreements that the State has with other States. Mr. Quinn said that NMTA felt that if the language could be changed so as not to effect everybody and make them residents that the bill would be fine.

W. W. Richards, Chief of the Motor Carrier Division of DMV, then spoke on AB 36 in response to Mr. Quinn. He said the Department definitely did not want to upset any of the agreements and that they felt this bill would not do so. He said they had some more amendments to better define the term resident.

Mr. Jacobsen wanted to know under what conditions did the Department pick up licenses now? Mr. Richards said that the only condition now was if it didn't match the vehicle it was suppose to be licenses with or if it was expired.

Mr. Winkelman, Department of Motor Vehicles Internal Auditor, then distributed the amendments previously mentioned. These amendments came about because of the testimony of the speakers at the last meeting. The Department hopes that these amendments will clarify the questions raised then and they also made a couple of minor changes. The Department felt that the bill was now taken pretty good care of. There was no further testimony on this bill.

Chairman Glover announced that the committee had been asked to hold AB 83 for possible amendments until next Thursday and so the next bill to be considered would be SB 63, allowing the Investigation and Narcotics Division to have unmarked vehicles. Mr. Ciardella of the Regulations Division stated that the Department had no quarrel with this bill what so ever. They just wanted to let the committee know that they have pending legislation to define what a exempt vehicle and what undercover plates are.

As there was no other testimony to hear the committee began discussing the various bills before it. Mr. Bickerstaff was asked to make some comment on AB 164. He felt that the Assemblymen's license should have some information on them to designate what district they represented. But he said that he could also see that they should show seniority. The committee felt that they had more important bills to consider and Mr. Howard moved to indefinitely postpone this bill. Mr. May seconded the motion. Messrs. Glover, May, Dreyer, Howard, Jacobsen and Smalley voted aye and Mr. Bickerstaff voted no.

SB63 - Mr. Dreyer felt that the committee should hold onto this bill until a later date when the amendments would be presented to the committee. Chairman Glover agreed to schedule the bill for sometime next week when the amendments would be ready.

AB 36. Mr. Smalley stated that he was getting a little tired of hearing testimony on this bill and getting more amendments each time from the Department of Motor Vehicles. Mr. Jacobsen expressed concern over the bill when the Department which requested the bill keeps bringing amendments to it. It gives him the impression that they really aren't satisfied with it either. Mr. Howard felt that something needed to be done in this area of the law because so many residents are driving on old driver's licenses from other States. Mr. Bickerstaff felt that maybe the Department should rewrite the whole bill and resubmit it. Mr. May suggested that Mr. Jacobsen, Mr. Quinn and Mr. Howard Hill be appointed to get together and see what they could come with that would be more suitable. As there were no objections, Chairman Glover asked Mr. Jacobsen if that would be satisfactory with him. Mr. Jacobsen agreed to do it and report back to the committee.

AB 37 - The committee felt that this bill would cost quite a lot of money and that the Department perhaps would not have the funds to implement it. Mr. Jacobsen then made a motion that they indefinitely postpone this bill. Mr. Howard seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Bickerstaff announced that he would have his motorcycles here Thursday upon adjournment for demonstration for the members.

Mr. Jacobsen moved that the meeting be adjourned, Mr. Howard seconded it. Chairman Glover adjourned the meeting at 4:45.

Respectfully submitted

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## 1. Page 1, Line 3, Section 2

Delete: Lines 3-5 and add the following:

"non resident" for the purpose of this chapter includes a student whose legal residence is not in this state and who is in Nevada to attend an educational institution or a person whose legal residence is not in this state and who maintains a legal residence in a border state which is contiguous to Nevada border even if such person is regularly employed within the State of Nevada.

## 2. Page 1, Line 6

Changed to read: "Resident" for the purpose of this Chapter shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

## 3. Page 1, Lines 11 and 12

Delete lines 11 and 12 and add the following:

The provisions of section 3 shall not apply to vehicles operated in this state under the provisions of any reciprocity agreement made by the department or to vehicles entitled to proportional registration under the provisions of Chapter NRS 706.801 to 706.861, inclusive, or NRS 482.385 to 482.395, inclusive.

## 4. Page 1, Lines 15 and 16 - (except for the first word "state" in line 15)

Delete: or who occupies, or permits immediate members of his family to occupy, a place of residence or business within the state.

## 5. Page 1, Line 18

Add: by a Nevada employer

## 6. Page 1, Lines 19 and 20

Delete: Lines 19 and 20

## 7. Page 2, Lines 39 and 40

Delete: "After becoming a resident"

## 8. Page 2, Lines 42-47

Delete: Lines 42-47 and add the following:

A person registering a vehicle pursuant to the provisions of subsection 3 shall be assessed the registration fees and privilege tax, as required by the provisions of Chapter 371 and Chapter 482 of NRS. He shall be allowed credit on said taxes and fees for the unused months of his previous registration. The fee discussed in 482.480, section 10 shall not be prorated. Those fees that are to be prorated will be prorated based upon Nevada Registration fees and privilege taxes and reduced by one-twelfth for each month remaining on the registration period in the State of former residence.

9. Page 3, Line 19

Changed to read: "Resident" for purpose of this chapter shall include, but not be limited to the following:

10. Page 3, Lines 28 and 29

Delete: or who occupies, or permits immediate members of his family to occupy, a place of residence or business within the State.

11. Page 3, Line 31

Add: by a Nevada employer

12. Page 3, Lines 32 and 33

Delete: Lines 32 and 33

13. Page 3, Lines 43-49

Lines 43-49 be deleted and add the following:

When a person becomes a resident of Nevada as defined in NRS 482 and NRS 483 he must obtain a Nevada Driver License as a prerequisite to driving any Motor Vehicle in the State of Nevada.

14. Page 4, Lines 7 and 8

Delete: 7 and 8