

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE - NEVADA STATE LEGISLATURE - 57th SESSION

February 8, 1973

Meeting called to order by Chairman Mello at 8:00 AM in the Ways and Means Committee Room.

Present: Mello, Dreyer, Prince, Robinson, Howard, Smith, Hafen and Schofield. Mr. Capurro had an excused absence.

Also Present: John Dolan, Randy Webb, Ron Sparks, Gene Pieretti and Ed Shores.

Mr. Frank Matthews and Mr. Jackie Jensen were introduced representing the Office of Economic Opportunity. Explanation given as outlined on pages 359 and 360. Mr. Jay Baker, OEO Housing Representative gave a brief explanation of his portion of the OEO.

Introduction of Mr. Richard Lockie representing the Regional Plumbing Boards. Explanation was given for the funding request of the Boards, and also the need of the State Plumbing Inspector to insure uniformity of plumbing codes throughout the State. See page 437 and 438.

Ron Sparks outlined the budget request and explanation for the Department of Public Safety. This budget is recommended by the Governor as a new Department to oversee the various divisions of the State as listed in the Program Statement. See pages 363 and 364.

Explanation given of the Racing Commission budget by Ron Sparks as outlined on page 433.

Break taken at 9:00 for 10 minutes.

Introduction of Warden Carl Hocker on behalf of the Nevada State Prison, pages 365 - 370. Explanation as outlined, including Capital Improvement requests and the one-shot appropriation. Mr. Ron Sparks is to provide the Committee with a memo regarding salary reclassification and explanation of the shift differential. It was also noted that with the construction of the requested Security Unit at the Nevada Mental Health Institute (State Hospital) that approximately ten inmates would be transferred to this facility. The Security Unit having a potential capacity of 40 persons.

Chairman Mello requested that the Committee take action on the following budgets:

Governor's Office, page 1-2: Moved that the budget be closed according to the Governor's Recommendation by Mr. Howard. Second by Mr. Schofield. Passed unanimously.

The Committee was again advised that all budgets being closed do not include those portions dealing with salaries or fringe benefits.

Governor's Mansion, page 3: Moved that the budget be closed according to the Governor's Recommendation by Mr. Howard. Second by Mr. Schofield. Passed unanimously.

Public Defender, page 104-106: Moved that the budget be closed according to Governor's Recommendation by Mr. Smith. Second by Mr. Dreyer. Passed unanimously.

Veterans Affairs Commission, page 97-98: Moved that the budget be closed according to the Governor's Recommendation by Mr. Schofield. Second by Mr. Prince. Passed unanimously.

Nevada Historical Society, page 170-172: Moved that the budget be closed according to the Governor's Recommendation by Mr. Schofield. Second by Mr. Prince. Passed unanimously.

Nevada Council on the Arts, page 176: Moved that the budget be closed according to the Governor's Recommendation by Mr. Schofield. Second by Mr. Smith. Passed unanimously.

Indian Affairs Commission, page 100: Moved that the budget be closed according to the Governor's Recommendation by Mr. Schofield. Second by Mr. Howard. Passed unanimously.

Governor's Advisory Council on Children & Youth, page 5: Moved that the budget be closed according to the Governor's Recommendation by Mr. Schofield. Second by Mr. Dreyer. Passed unanimously.

Carson City Taxes, page 542: Moved that the budget be closed according to the Governor's Recommendation by Mr. Howard. Second by Mr. Schofield. Passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 until 9:00 on Friday, February 9, 1973.