Assembly

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

April 10, 1973

Meeting called to order by Chairman Mello at 6:35 AM in the Ways and Means Committee Room.

PRESENT: Chairman Mello, Vice Chairman Schofield, Messrs. Dreyer, Hafen, Howard, Smith, Prince, Robinson and Capurro.

ALSO PRESENT: John Dolan, Randy Webb and Ron Sparks.

Motion to approve the Minutes of the meeting of April 6, 1973 made by Mr. Prince. Second by Mr. Dreyer. MOTION PASSED.

Chairman Mello asked Mr. Hafen to give an explanation relative to the proposed legislation to be introduced by the Committee.

(BDR 17-2195). Would provide retirement for a retired legislator.

Mr. Smith moved for a committee introduction. Second by Mr. Howard. Motion passed. Mr. Capurro moved for a do pass. Second by Mr. Dreyer. Motion passed. Mr. Hafen moved to amend and do pass, including a general fund appropriation of \$196.06. Second by Mr. Schofield. Motion passed.

Mr. Hafen moved to reopen the Parks Capitol Improvements budget. Second by Mr. Robinson. Motion passed.

Park Improvements, no change. Marina Development, no change.

Property Acquisition: Mr. Howard moved that a total of \$50,000 be removed from the land acquisition for Rye Patch, \$25,000 State and \$25,000 Federal; brining total appropriation (State and Federal) to \$350,000.

Committee action to reinstate the \$10,000 appropriation for Sand Mountain.

Committee action to decrease the land purchase to 7,760 acres and decrease total appropriation to \$19,400, for the Spring Mountain area.

Committee action to delete the appropriation for acquisition on the Virgin Mountains, Gregory's Arch, Keyhole Canyon and Knob Hill.

Mr. Hafen suggested that a total state appropriation of \$250,000 be made for the acquisition of assets at Lee Canyon in Clark County.

After considerable discussion as to whether or not the State can buy out a SBA loan, whether there is adequate use of the area by residents, action by the County Commissioners of Clark County as to their takeover of the area after acquisition by the State, adequate water supply, etc. Mr. Dreyer moved that the appropriation be deleted. Second by Mr. Capurro. Nays Mr. Hafen and Mr. Schofield. Motion passed.

Mr. Prince moved that this budget be closed according to the Governor's Recommendations as amended by the Committee. Second by Mr. Capurro. Nays: Mr. Robinson and Mr. Schofield. Motion passed.

APPROPRIATION DELETED	AMOUNT	APPROPRIATION AMENDED	AMOUNT
Arrow Canyon Belmont Bitter Ridge/Whitney Buffington's Pockets Gregory's Arch	\$ 25,000 575,104 45,400 16,000 1,800	Echo Canyon Rye Patch Spring Mountain	\$ 60,800 350,000 19,400
Keyhole Canyon Knob Hill Lee Canyon Virgin Mountains	7,000 5,100 840,000 2,800		

Total State Park Property Acquisition including Attendant Costs: \$3,751,248.

Medical Care Unit, page 295: Move do pass Governor's Recommendation by Mr. Capurro. Second by Mr. Hafen. MOTION PASSED.

Aid to Dependent Children, page 299: Chairman Mello stated that he would be in favor of raising the recommended average grant from \$42.00 to \$52.00. Mr. Prince so moved. Second by Mr. Schofield. Nays: Mr. Capurro, Mr. Dreyer, Mr. Hafen, Mr. Howard, and Mr. Robinson.

Discussion was then carried on as to where Nevada places nationally in total average grant. The total average grant is \$52.00. Nevada ranking 34th. Mr. Prince then suggested that we take the middle ground of the two recommendations (\$52-\$42.

Mr. Schofield moved that an average grant of \$47.00 be granted. Second by Mr. Capurro. MOTION PASSED.

Mr. Dolan to supply figures as to the fiscal impact of this amendment. Generally speaking, it would amount to around \$3.1 million.

In preparation of the Joint Hearing with Senate Finance the Committee went over the areas of dispute.

Joint Meeting

Meeting reconvened with Senate Finance at 8:10 AM in the Senate Finance Committee Room, Senator Lamb presiding.

HWR, Director's Office, page 227: No agreement could be reached on this, decision to hold and move to another budget. Chairman Mello stated that the Committee by taking action on A.B. 405 included the position of Chief, Community Services.

Maternal, Child, School & Special Children, page 239: Ron Sparks explained to the Senate Finance Committee that the positions that they had deleted would be funded by the revenue they would generate in the insurance recovery portion of this budget. Senator Brown moved that

the Senate Committee accept the recommendations of the Ways & Means Committee. Second by Senator Monroe. MOTION PASSED - ASSEMBLY RECOMMENDATION.

Bureau of Health Facilities, page 245: Senator Gibson moved that the Senate Committee accept the recommendations of the Ways & Means Committee. Second by Senator Pozzi. MOTION PASSED - ASSEMBLY RECOMMENDATION. Mr. Capurro moved that the Assembly Committee accept the recommendations of the Finance Committee. Second by Mr. Howard. MOTION PASSED - SENATE RECOMMENDATION.

Immunization Program, page 256: Senator Pozzi moved that the Senate Committee accept the recommendation of the Ways & Means Committee. Second by Senator Gibson. MOTION PASSED - ASSEMBLY RECOMMENDATION.

Div. Of Mental Hygiene & Mental Retardation, page 264: Decision to hold on this budget for further Committee discussion because no agreement could be reached. Discussion was had relative to the increase in the budget; exactly what was being removed by the proposed cuts and what positions would be eliminated.

Nevada Mental Health Institute, page 267: Senator Brown moved that the Senate Committee accept the recommendations of the Ways & Means Committee. Second by Senator Pozzi. MOTION PASSED - ASSEMBLY RECOMMENDATION. Mr. Capurro moved that the Assembly Committee accept the recommendations of the Finance Committee. MOTION PASSED - SENATE RECOMMENDATION.

Aid to the Blind, page 301: Mr. Capurro moved that the Assembly Committee accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee. Second by Mr. Dreyer. MOTION PASSED - SENATE RECOMMENDATION.

Child Welfare, page 302: Mr. Dreyer moved that the Assembly Committee accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee. Second by Mr. Schofield. Nays: Mr. Capurro. MOTION PASSED - SENATE RECOMMENDATION.

Nevada Youth Training Center, page 337: Mr. Raggio moved that the Senate Committee accept the recommendations of the Ways & Means Committee. Second by Senator Pozzi. MOTION PASSED - ASSEMBLY RECOMMENDATION.

Nevada Girls Training Center, page 343: Senator Raggio moved that the Senate Committee accept the recommendation of the Ways & Means Committee. Second by Senator Pozzi. MOTION PASSED - ASSEMBLY RECOMMENDATION.

Fire Marshal, page 393 (new budget): Mr. Howard moved that the Assembly Committee accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee. Second by Mr. Capurro. MOTION PASSED - SENATE RECOMMENDATION.

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Division of Insurance, page 401: No decision reached.

Mr. Mello explained to the Senate Finance Committee the action taken this morning regarding the ADC payments. Assembly Committee raised the grant from the recommended \$42.00 to \$47.00. Figures were given to the Senate Committee on the impact of this increase.

Real Estate Division, page 404: Senator Gibson moved that the Senate Committee accept the recommendations of the Ways & Means Committee. Second by Senator Raggio. MOTION PASSED - ASSEMBLY RECOMMENDATION.

Dairy Commission, page 422: Mr. Capurro moved that the Assembly Committee accept the recommendations of the Finance Committee. Second by Mr. Howard. MOTION PASSED - SENATE RECOMMENDATION. Action: reduce in-state travel to \$8,000 per year and out-of-state travel to \$500 per year.

Regional Plumbing Boards, page 437: Senator Pozzi moved that the Senate Committee accept the recommendation of the Ways & Means Committee. Second by Senator Brown. MOTION PASSED - ASSEMBLY RECOMMENDATION.

Park Historic Preservation, page 468: Senator Pozzi moved that the Senate Committee accept the recommendation of the Ways & Means Committee. Second by Senator Brown. MOTION PASSED - ASSEMBLY RECOMMENDATION.

Livestock Inspection Fund, page 489: Mr. Dreyer moved that the Assembly Committee accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee. Second by Mr. Howard. MOTION PASSED - SENATE RECOMMENDATION.

Carson River Basin, page 498: Mr. Capurro moved that the Assembly Committee accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee. Second by Mr. Schofield. MOTION PASSED - SENATE RECOMMENDATION. This appropriation will be conditional on the Counties raising their share of the appropriation to \$22,500.

Advisory Council on Children & Youth, page 5: Mr. Capurro moved that the Assembly Committee accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee. Second by Mr. Dreyer. MOTION PASSED - SENATE RECOMMENDATION.

Lieutenant Governor, page 13: Senator Brown moved that the Senate Committee accept the recommendation of the Ways & Means Committee. Second by Senator Monroe. Nays: Senator Pozzi and Gibson. MOTION PASSED - ASSEMBLY RECOMMENDATION.

State Planning Board, page 88: Mr. Schofield moved that the Assembly Committee accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee. Second by Mr. Capurro. Nays: Mr. Hafen. MOTION PASSED - SENATE RECOMMENDATION.

Education Administration, page 119: Senator Monroe moved that the Senate Committee accept the Governor's Recommendation. Second by Senator Young. Nays: Senator Pozzi. MOTION PASSED.

Mr. Howard moved that the Assembly Committee accept the Governor's Recommendation. Second by Mr. Dreyer. Nays: Mr. Schofield. MOTION PASSED

Nevada Bicentennial Commission, page 177: Senator Pozzi moved that the General Fund appropriation be eliminated. Second by Senator Young. Nays: Senators Raggio and Monroe. MOTION PASSED.

Mr. Capurro moved that the General Fund appropriation be eliminated. Second by Mr. Mello. Tie vote. MOTION FAILED.

Mr. Mello moved that a General Fund appropriation of \$22,500 be placed in the budget. Second by Mr. Howard. Nays: Mr. Robinson and Mr. Capurro. MOTION PASSED.

Senator Pozzi moved that a General Fund appropriation of \$22,500 be placed in the budget. Second by Senator Young. MOTION PASSED.

Chairman Mello on behalf of the Assembly Ways & Means Committee stated that the Assembly Committee would drop the requests for Medical School and School of Architecture funding if the Chancellor's budget and the University - Reserve budget be adopted as recommended by the Assembly Committee.

Senator Lamb stated that his Committee would have to have time to discuss the proposal.

Senator Lamb then told the Committees of remarks made on behalf of the requested additional funding for the Predatory Animal & Rodent Control budget.

Joint meeting adjourned at 8:55.