

SENATE COMMERCE AND LABOR COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING

THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 1973

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

Senator Drakulich in the Chair.

PRESENT: Senator Herr
Senator Hecht
Senator Lamb
Senator Blakemore
Senator Swobe

Other interested citizens were present

A.B. 53: Requires prepackaged meats to show federal grade.

Mr. Demers stated that A.B. 53 very simply says if you advertise that you have USDA meats, you have to have the meats available in sufficient quantities to serve the public. Also asks that USDA yield grade be included. Mr. Demers further stated that this is more of a consumer piece of Legislation designed to stop people from using the term US Choice and not having it available. Mr. Demers requested that Section 2, Line 11 be changed to read "primal" cuts rather than "prime" cuts.

S.B. 305: Provides certain changes in regulation of real estate brokers and salesmen.

It was agreed that S.B. 305 be tabled pending printing of the amendments.

S.B. 270: Makes certain provisions concerning wages, hours and working conditions of female employees in private employment applicable to all employees.

Motion Senator Herr that the bill amendments be prepared and printed and then be re-referred to the Committee for further study. Motion Seconded by Senator Swobe, carried unanimously.

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S.B. 309: Provides that in specified circumstances heart diseases of certain peace officers are occupational diseases.

Senator Herr commented that four years ago they introduced this bill to get the firemen under the Act of the NIC. At that time, they should have included the peace officer. In the four years this has been in effect, there have been no claims.

Keith Hendrickson commented that there is a reason for no new claims in the past four years; i.e. Most of the claims that came in were included in the Loan Bill, which the fire-fighters also have. Mr. Hendrickson further commented that they have some amendments that they would like to submit to the Committee; Section 1, Line 11 - add correctional officers at the Nevada State Prison and Nevada Highway Patrolmen (after the work policeman).

Senator Lamb motioned that Section 1, Line 8 be changed from "10 years" to "5" years. Seconded by Senator Herr, carried unanimously.

Senator Herr motioned that the cost of the medical examination be paid by the political entity requesting the examination. Senator Herr moved that the bill be amended, printed and re-referred to Committee. Seconded, carried unanimously.

A.B. 278: Prohibits discrimination between men and women in real property transactions.

Mr. Crawford commented that they are adding the word "sex". At the suggestion of Senator Swobe, the bill was referred to Judiciary Committee to be considered with other similar bills.

S.B. 282: Regulates the business of debt adjusting.

Mr. Pete Holdren, Investigator, Consumer fraudulent, Washoe County, spoke in favor of the bill. The business of debt adjusting is defined in Section 5, Page 1.

Mr. Mike Melner, State Commerce Director, commented that the bill developed from a BDR at the request of the Dept. of Commerce. Mr. Melner further stated that they are in favor of the bill.

Preston Tidvell spoke in favor of the bill and that he feels that the banking division can supervise this bill without additional appropriated funds.

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Mr. Tidvell further stated that the only addition that he would suggest is a Section called Section 36 which would provide that this act, if passed, shall become effective upon passage and approval.

Ray Ekelson, Credit Counsellors of Las Vegas, stated that they are in agreement with this bill, however, there are some changes they would suggest: 1. Fees - they would like to keep the retainer fee at \$50.00 (Page 5, Line 18); 2. No provision in the bill for payment of utilities or house payments which they currently do. They would like to put in for 50¢ a check; 3. Line 41, Page 5 - this should be at six months or at the request of the consumer.

Nancy Mazer, Financial Secretaries, Reno, commented that they would like to get this bill through this Session.

A.B. 53: Senator Swobe moved Do Pass, seconded by Senator Lamb, carried unanimously.

S.B. 292: There was a motion that after the company has been in operation for a period of one year, at the discretion of the Superintendent of Banks, he may allow an extended time, not to exceed six months.

Senator Lamb moved Amend and Do Pass, seconded by Senator Swobe, carried unanimously.

Being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Sharon W. Maher, Secretary

Senator Stan Drakulich
Chairman