

Senate

PUBLIC RESOURCES AND ECOLOGY

Minutes of Meeting

April 11, 1973

Committee members present: Chairman Wilson  
Senator Blakemore  
Senator Young  
Senator Bryan  
Senator Echols

Senator Wilson called the meeting to order at 4:25 p.m.

A.B. 848: Removes requirement that certain money received by Nevada Department of fish and game be deposited in interest-bearing accounts; and prescribing accounting procedures.

Mr. John Crossley, Legislative Counsel Bureau, stated that this is their bill and is a result of an audit report of the Fish and Game Department. It effects the accounting system in that it would change the system from cash to accrual. Mr. Crossley further stated that in the Fish and Game Department now, any money received in one year cannot be used until the following year. The Dept. goes by the date of transaction rather than the date the money was received. (See Exhibit "B" for Legislative Comm. minutes) Senator Bryan questioned the language on Page Two of the bill. Mr. Crossley commented that the language on Page Two is necessary; furthermore, the language on Page One is needed in order to change from cash to accrual system.

Mr. Frank Groves, Nevada Dept. of Fish and Game, referred to the Federal Aid Program, wherein they must pay for expenses with state vouchers.

Senator Blakemore moved "Do Pass", and refer to Finance Committee, seconded by Senator Echols, unanimously carried.

A.B. 739: Gives full recognition to out-of-state titling of motorboats.

Mr. Groves submitted data containing background, summary and solution to out-of-state titling of motorboats (See Exhibit "C"). Mr. Groves explained that if a person had a boat mortgaged in another state, the bank would not release the title if the

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boat is mortgaged. They are able to register the boat but not title it. Under this bill, they will still be able to register, and also to title.

Senator Blakemore moved "Do Pass", seconded by Senator Echols, unanimously carried.

A.B. 860: Prohibits charging fee for use of public toilet.

Assemblyman Eileen Brookman was present to testify on the bill. She referred to McCarren airport where they are equipped with 57 pay toilets and 16 free toilets. She further stated that if this bill is passed, it will bring a lot of relief to many people.

Senator Bryan moved "Do Pass", seconded by Senator Young, unanimously carried.

S.B. 613: Creates a vendor's warranty that water will be available to purchasers of certain subdivision parcels.

Mr. Don M. Welley questioned the language in Section 1, Line 5, which states "reasonably available" - does this apply to footage or cost? Senator Wilson replied that it does not.

Senator Young commented that it was the intent of the bill to extend to subsequent sales. People should have the right to rescind or file claims for damages if there is no water on property they have purchased.

Senator Echols stated that he would support an amendment that clarifies the subsequent purchaser, as to whether it accrues to him - this should be clear. Senator Wilson commented that it does this automatically; further, is there difficulty in the amendment which says "complying with State standards?"

Senator Young commented that we should leave it the way it is as it will get complicated if we add "State health standards".

Senator Young moved "Do Pass", as amended, without the language "State standards", seconded by Senator Bryan, unanimously carried.

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A.B. 480: Streamlines administration of state outdoor recreation and historic preservation plans.

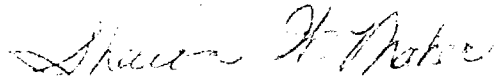
Senator Bryan stated that he has seen a letter directed to Elmo DeRicco regarding this issue, and will obtain letter and bring it back to committee.

A.B. 141: Restricts removal of flora.

Senator Wilson stated that this bill has been moved off the floor to the desk. It was unanimously agreed by the committee members that the entire bill be rewritten.

Senator Wilson adjourned the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Sharon W. Maher, Secretary

Thomas R.C. Wilson  
Chairman



AB 848

MINUTES OF THE  
LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION'S  
SUBCOMMITTEE FOR THE STUDY OF  
THE FISH AND GAME COMMISSION  
May 30, 1972  
Carson City, Nevada

The Legislative Commission's Subcommittee for the Study of the Fish and Game Commission meeting was called to order by Chairman Emerson F. Titlow at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 30, 1972, in Room 231 of the Legislative Building, Carson City.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Emerson F. Titlow, Chairman  
Senator Warren L. Monroe  
Assemblyman Keith Ashworth  
Assemblyman Virgil Getto

DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME MEMBERS PRESENT:

Frank W. Groves, Director, Department of Fish and Game  
Fred Wright, Chief of Administrative Services, Department  
of Fish and Game  
Glen Christensen, Chief, Division of Game, Department of  
Fish and Game  
Mary Furgerson, Accountant, Department of Fish and Game

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL BUREAU STAFF PRESENT:

Earl T. Oliver, Fiscal Analyst  
John R. Crossley, Chief Deputy Legislative Auditor  
Eugene Walkama, Deputy Legislative Auditor  
Marilynn Coursey, Secretary

Background

At the February 28, 1972 meeting of the subcommittee, it was suggested that NRS 501.356, Sections 2 and 4 be amended, so as to be more applicable to the functions of the Department of Fish and Game, and that NRS 501.366 be repealed. Since the February meeting the Department of Fish and Game and the Fiscal and Audit Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau have been working together to arrive at an agreeable proposal for amending NRS 501.356. The proposed amendment was read to the members of the subcommittee.

Discussion

There was a short discussion held on the change in wording of the law and why the changes were feasible. It was agreed by both the members of the Fish and Game Department and the Fiscal and Audit Division that the proposed amendment was more workable and therefore satisfactory to all concerned.

SENATOR MONROE MOVED TO HAVE A BILL DRAFTED AND  
SUBMITTED ALONG WITH THE RECOMMENDATION FOR THE  
REPEAL OF NRS 501.366 TO THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION  
FOR ACTION. SECONDED BY ASSEMBLYMAN ASHWORTH AND  
CARRIED.

Senator Titlow, requested an explanation of the differences between the status of the recommendations presented by the Fish and Game Department on February 16, 1972 and the status per the review of the Fiscal and Audit Division on May 25, 1972. (Attachment 1)

EXHIBIT "R"

STATE OF NEVADA  
DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

A.B. 739 - Out-of-State Titling of Motorboats

Eight states: California, Florida, Maryland, Missouri, Nevada, Ohio, Oklahoma and Oregon require that a motorboat be titled prior to being operated on the waters of that state. Under the Nevada Boat Act (488.175 of NRS) a motorboat from one of these jurisdictions, must be retitled here after such boat has been within the State for a period in excess of 90 consecutive days.

Since January 1, 1972, the effective date of the Nevada Title Act, the Department of Fish and Game has issued 8,018 certificates of ownership or titles. The majority have been issued to residents of Nevada without any particular problem. However, when a title has been issued by one of the other seven title states, some lending institutions have been reluctant to forward that state's title to us for reissuance in Nevada. The Department cannot title that particular boat since there would be two known titles outstanding.

To correct this problem, the State Board of Fish and Game Commissioners and the Department of Fish and Game hereby endorse the provisions of A.B. 739 wherein:

"A motorboat need not be titled in this State, if it is already covered by a certificate of ownership in effect which has been awarded or issued to it pursuant to a title system of another state."

WGP  
3/28/73

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