

Senate

COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

Minutes of Meeting -- April 15, 1973

The forty-fourth meeting of the Committee on Federal, State and Local Governments was held on the 15th day of April, 1973, at 10:00 A.M.

Committee members present: Chairman James Gibson
Stan Drakulich
John Foley
Coe Swobe
Lee Walker
Carl Dodge
Chic Hecht

Also present were:

Howard Hill, Director of Motor Vehicle Department
Dan Quinan, Fire Marshall
Bob Gagnier, NSEA
Kevin Efromyson, Clark County
Gary Gray, Clark County School Teachers
Dick Morgan, Nevada State Education Association
Ed Psaltis

AB-944 Creates state fire marshall division in department of commerce, including jurisdiction over mobile home and travel trailer standards.

Howard Hill, Director of the Department of Motor Vehicles, explained that AB-944 basically takes the responsibility out of the Department of Motor Vehicles of the heating, plumbing, and electrical in regards to mobile homes and puts it in the Fire Marshall's office in the Department of Commerce. Both departments involved in this change support the bill. Dan Guinan, Fire Marshall, stated that there would be no standard of operating procedure changed to do this, and has the full approval of the director of commerce and the insurance commissioner.

Senator Hecht moved "Do Pass," seconded by Senator Foley. Motion carried.

Chairman Gibson then asked that the committee refer to the Public Employees Negotiations Act and the proposal before them. He asked if there were any additional testimony on this before the committee takes action.

Bob Gagnier stated that their preference was still that the committee pass AB-418 with the provision previously discussed to change the final and binding arbitration to advisory arbitration.

Kevin Efroymsen again testified on this proposal, stating that (1) he continues to feel it is important that all employees with a bargaining right be under one bill; and (2) with regard to scope of bargaining, which is section 30, the compromise bill is better language.

Following extensive discussion of the various problems in connection with the Public Employees Negotiations Act, the committee took action as follows:

Senator Walker moved "We adopt scope of bargaining list in proposal," seconded by Senator Swobe. Motion carried.

Senator Swobe moved "We leave state employees under advisory procedures," seconded by Senator Hecht. Motion carried.

Senator Drakulich moved "We exclude graduate students of the University of Nevada and the Desert Research Institute from binding arbitration on the University bill," seconded by Senator Hecht. Motion carried.

Senator Foley moved that "The department heads of the University of Nevada be included in the bargaining section," seconded by Senator Swobe. Motion lost with Senators Foley and Swobe voting "yes" and Senators Hecht, Gibson, Walker, Dodge and Drakulich voting "no."

AB-723 Expands jurisdiction of county fair and recreation boards and extends duration of short-term financing.

After brief discussion it was decided that the committee would have to hear testimony on this bill before any action could be taken.

AB-132 Requires state engineer to complete comprehensive water resource plan prior to 1975 session of legislature.

Senator Dodge moved "Do Pass."
Seconded by Senator Hecht.
Motion carried.

AB-212 Prohibits the requirement of a sex or marital status prefix to the names of voter-registrants.

Senator Drakulich moved to "Hold Indefinitely."
Seconded by Senator Hecht.
Motion carried.

AB-337 Permits counties to place receipts from net proceeds of mines tax in special fund.

Senator Dodge explained the need for this bill to the committee. After brief discussion, it was decided they would wait for further testimony before taking action.

AB-396 Increases certain penalties for violation of election laws from a misdemeanor to a gross misdemeanor.

Senator Hecht moved "Do Pass."
Seconded by Senator Dodge.
Motion carried.

AB-577 Brings all public and private buildings under city and county building codes.

Senator Swobe moved "Do Pass."
Senator Drakulich seconded.
Motion carried.

AB-602 Amends authorized investments for certain state agencies, political subdivisions and certain organizations in this state.

Senator Foley moved "Do Pass."
Seconded by Senator Dodge.
Motion carried.

AB-627 Amends provisions concerning jurisdiction over distribution of ballots to precincts and districts.

Senator Drakulich moved to "Hold Indefinitely."
Seconded by Senator Hecht.
Motion carried.

AB-770 Allows state printing office to print for official state functions.

Senator Dodge moved "Do Pass."
Seconded by Senator Foley.
Motion carried.

AB-772 Extends permissible duration of local government contracts for professional services.

Senator Dodge moved "Do Pass."
Seconded by Senator Foley.
Motion carried.

AB-861 Requires filing of local government maps and certain annexation ordinances with tax commission.

Senator Dodge moved "Do Pass."
Seconded by Senator Foley.
Motion carried.

AB-864 Authorizes petty cash accounts for local governments.

Senator Dodge moved "Do Pass."
Seconded by Senator Foley.
Motion carried.

AB-894 Provides additional member of Marlette Lake water system advisory committee appointed by state forester firewarden.

Senator Dodge moved "Do Pass."
Seconded by Senator Hecht.
Motion carried.

(Recess to 5:00 P.M.)

Chairman Gibson called the meeting back to order at 5:05 P.M. He asked the committee to again turn to consideration of the proposal on Public Employees Negotiations. Dick Morgan of the Nevada State Education Association was given a few minutes to submit a list of items to the committee of things which are presently in current contracts. At the end of the list are items which the EMRB says are negotiable -- saying that they are negotiable does not mean that they must become a matter of contract, but just that they must be negotiated. This is a duplicate of a list that Mr. Efroymsen had in his proposal. These are all things that they were concerned about.

The committee then took action on this proposal as follows:

Senator Drakulich moved "We re-consider action that was taken to pass out Swobe's bill," seconded by Senator Dodge. Motion carried 5-2.

Senator Swobe moved "The University be included in binding compulsory arbitration with the school teachers," seconded by Senator Hecht. Motion lost, 4-2.

Senator Drakulich moved that the "University be under advisory arbitration," seconded by Senator Walker. Motion carried 5-2.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Committee Secretary