

COMMERCE COMMITTEE - NEVADA STATE LEGISLATURE - 58TH SESSION

FEBRUARY 12, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Robinson at 3:03 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Getto
Mr. Moody
Mr. Wittenberg
Mr. Demers
Mr. Schofield
Mr. Hickey
Mr. Benkovich
Mr. Chairman

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mr. Harmon

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Speaker (Keith Ashworth)
Lori Dellinger - Certified Shorthand Reporting Student
George T. Bennett - Secretary of the Board of Pharmacy

(For other guests, please see attached register)

The purpose of this meeting was to hear testimony and to discuss AB 68 and AB 69.

Chairman Robinson opened the hearing by inviting any proponents of AB 68 who wished to testify to do so.

AB 68 - Lowers minimum age requirement to be certified shorthand reporter.

The first proponent was Mr. Speaker (Keith Ashworth) who said this bill is a move to recognize the youth. He said in the last Session, 18 year olds were given the right to vote and to enter into contracts and it was thought that the statutes had been brought current with regard to this age change; however, this particular law was overlooked and the purpose of AB 68 is to further clean up the statutes to include an age requirement of 18 rather than 21 in order to qualify to be a certified shorthand reporter. He elaborated by saying that the community colleges in Nevada are currently teaching this skill and many youngsters are taking advantage of the community colleges rather than attend the university. He concluded his testimony by saying he felt young people between the ages of 18 and 21 should be allowed to take testimony and swear in people for deposition, etc.

Another proponent chose to speak. Her name was Lori Dellinger who is a student in shorthand reporting and has been for 1 1/2 years. She explained that the course is a very involved and difficult one and even though she is 19 years of age, she feels that upon completion of this course, one is prepared to embark on a career in certified shorthand reporting.

She said she felt the law should lower the age to 18 years old provided the person was competent and qualified. She felt the present laws put more emphasis on age rather than qualifications. She went on to say that people are getting out of high school at younger ages and if she were not allowed to take the test for shorthand reporters within the next two years, she said she would have to go back to school for another three months in order to once again attain required speed. She quoted Mr. Richard Tuttle of the Nevada Certified Shorthand Reporters who said essentially that if we do not take care in age and residency requirements now required, many very qualified and competent shorthand reporters will be chocked off because they do not meet these arbitrary requirements.

This concluded the testimony of the proponents of AB 68. There were no opponents present who wished to speak. Hearing of AB 68 was thus concluded.

Discussion and hearing then turned to AB 69 which is:

Technical amendments to correct internal reference and name designation in NRS chapter 639.

Mr. George Bennett who is the Secretary of the Board of Pharmacy was present and wished to speak in support of AB 69.

Mr. Bennett explained that this bill was a word change that was overlooked last Session when it was thought all laws relating to this subject had been changed. He explained that a pharmaceutical clerk (changed to intern pharmacist by AB 69) is an individual who has completed at least one year of recognized training in pharmacy. The term "clerk" is often confused with the person who operates the cash register, writes names on perscriptions, etc. This is just a name change for better clarification.

Dr. Robinson asked of there were presently any Pharmacy Clerks in the State. Mr. Bennett said that there were but that they were often confused with an actual clerk who has no authority to be in charge of pharmacy, etc. Mr. Bennett said this bill did not apply to Pharmacy Technicians who work in hospital pharmacies and responded to Mr. Benkovich's reservations that a situation might be created through this bill such as what happened in Reno last year that this would definitely not be the case.

This concluded testimony in support of AB 69 and there being none who wished to speak in opposition, hearing of AB 69 was concluded.

Chairman Robinson began discussion on BDR-C31 which:

Amends constitution to exempt business inventories from taxation.

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Mr. Hickey moved that BDR-C31 be introduced by the Committee on Commerce. This motion was seconded by Mr. Getto and was carried unanimously by the committee.

Mr. Demers moved that the minutes of the previous meeting be adopted. This motion was seconded by Mr. Wittenberg and carried the committee unanimously.

Mr. Wittenberg moved "do pass" of AB 68. This motion was seconded by Mr. Demers and carried the committee unanimously.

Chairman Robinson said no action on AB 69 would be taken today because he had been informed by a phone call that there was additional testimony to be submitted.

Mr. Demers moved the meeting be adjourned. This motion was seconded by Mr. Wittenberg and unanimously carried the committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:18 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Anderson, Secretary

ASSEMBLY

AGENDA FOR COMMITTEE ON..... COMMERCE..... - PUBLIC HEARING

Date February 12, 1975 Time 3:00 P.M. Room 316

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Bills or Resolutions
to be considered

Subject

Counsel
requested*

A.B. 69

DO PASS

Technical amendments to correct internal
reference and name designation in NRS
Chapter 639.



SUPERSEDES PREVIOUS AGENDA DATED 2/12/75
ASSEMBLY

AGENDA FOR COMMITTEE ON.....COMMERCE.....

Date FEBRUARY 12, 1975 Time 3:00 P.M. Room 316.....

0017

Bills or Resolutions
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Subject

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A.B. 68

DO PASS

Lowers minimum age requirement to be
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COMMERCE COMMITTEE
LEGISLATION ACTION

DATE February 12, 1975

SUBJECT AB 68 - Lowers minimum age requirement to be certified
shorthand reporter.

MOTION:

Do Pass x Amend _____ Indefinitely Postpone _____ Reconsider _____

Moved By Mr. Wittenberg Seconded By Mr. Demers

AMENDMENT:

Moved By _____ Seconded By _____

AMENDMENT:

Moved BY _____ Seconded By _____

VOTE:	<u>MOTION</u>		<u>AMEND</u>		<u>AMEND</u>	
	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Robinson	<u>x</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Harmon	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Demers	<u>x</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Hickey	<u>x</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Moody	<u>x</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Schofield	<u>x</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Wittenberg	<u>x</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Benkovich	<u>x</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Getto	<u>x</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

ORIGINAL MOTION: Passed x Defeated _____ Withdrawn _____

AMENDED & PASSED _____ AMENDED & DEFEATED _____

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Attached to Minutes February 12, 1975

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COMMERCE COMMITTEE
LEGISLATION ACTION

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DATE February 12, 1975

SUBJECT BDR-C31 - Amends constitution to exempt business inventories
from taxation.

MOTION:

Committee introduction X

Do Pass _____ Amend _____ Indefinitely Postpone _____ Reconsider _____

Moved By Mr. Hickey Seconded By Mr. Getto

AMENDMENT:

Moved By _____ Seconded By _____

AMENDMENT:

Moved BY _____ Seconded By _____

VOTE:	<u>MOTION</u>		<u>AMEND</u>		<u>AMEND</u>	
	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Robinson	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Harmon	<u>-</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Demers	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Hickey	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Moody	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Schofield	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Wittenberg	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Benkovich	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Getto	<u>X</u>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

ORIGINAL MOTION: Passed X Defeated _____ Withdrawn _____

AMENDED & PASSED _____ AMENDED & DEFEATED _____

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