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MEETING OF GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE APRIL 28, 1975

Chairman Dini called the meeting to order at 9:30 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Assemblyman Joseph E. Dini, Jr., Chairman Assemblyman Patrick M. Murphy, Vice Chairman Assemblyman Don A. Moody Assemblyman Jean E. Ford Assemblyman Paul W. May Assemblyman Harley L. Harmon Assemblyman Roberg G. Craddock Assemblyman James W. Schofield

MEMBERS ABSENT: Assemblyman Roy Young

OTHERS PRESENT: Jim Lien, Nevada Tax Commission Bob Broadbent, Nevada Assoc. of County Commissioners Richard Bunker, County of Clark Senator Melvin D. Close, Jr.

(The following bills were discussed: <u>S.B. 194</u>, <u>S.B. 467</u>, <u>S.B. 473</u> and <u>S.B. 383</u>.)

<u>S.B. 194</u> - Senator Melvin D. Close said this bill deals with a situation which the Legislature had tried to deal with two years ago in an attempt to preclude sale of cigarettes on Indian reservations. A bill was passed at that time requiring a wholesale value of \$10,000 to be on hand at all times before the state would deem it a wholesale operation. This legislation did not accomplish the purpose for which it was intended and prior to its enactment a \$1,000 inventory was required and this bill simply returns it to that figure. This bill will allow those who want to stock special brands of cigarettes to become wholesalers, put up a bond and stamp those cigarettes for use of their customers here in Nevada.

Mr. Murphy advised he had had called from people in the tobacco industry who opposed this bill because by lowering the wholesale value inventory, a lot of people will be operating as wholesalers.

Senator Close said the state should not regulate out competition, and it does not require other businesses to have a particular amount of inventory. He said the Tax Commission had no objection to taking it back to the \$1,000 amount.

Mr. Jim Lien, Nevada Tax Commission, said there are only seventeen in the state and most of them came into the state at the \$1,000 level, and he supported a return to that level. -2-

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S.B. 467 - Mr. Bob Broadbent, Nevada Association of County Commissioners, said the voters in Clark County had approved a Twelve Million Dollar bond issue for the Convention Authority and part of the repayment is from the room tax. This is to ratify the room tax and the election. The bonds have already been sold but could not be delivered until passage of this bill.

S.B. 473 - Mr. Broadbent said this is just a technical amendment to legislation which indicated the county commissioners were to sit as highway commissioners.

S.B. 333 - Mr. Broadbent stated it was his understanding when Pershing County District Attorney was placed on a salary with no private practice at the last session, there two parts to the statute that were involved, one part was not amended and this is a clarification of that action.

S.B. 194 - Mr. Murphy moved that action on <u>S.B. 194</u> be indefinitely postponed. Mr. Schofield seconded the motion.

On the question: Mr. Craddock said he subscribed to Senator Close's philosophy that the state should not regulate the amount of inventory.

Motion carried by majority with Mr. Dini, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Moody, Mr. Harmon and Mr. Schofield voting in favor, and Mr. Craddock, Mrs. Ford and Mr. May opposed.

<u>S.B. 467</u> - Mr. Craddock moved "Do Pass" on <u>S.B. 467</u>. Mr. Harmon seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote of those present.

S.B. 473 - Mr. Moody moved "Do Pass" on <u>S.B. 473</u>. Mr. Harmon seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote of those present.

S.B. 383 - Mr. Harmon moved "Do Pass" on S.B. 383. Mr. Moody seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote of those present.

At the request of Chairman Dini, Mr. May moved a resolution be requested for a study of the Office of Constable. Mr. Harmon seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote of those present.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mildred Cave, Secretary

AGENDA FOR COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

Date MONDAY, Apr. 28 Time 9:30 A.M. 214

Bills or Resolutions		Counsel
to be considered	Subject	requested*

S.B. 194 Reduces inventory requirement for wholesale cigarette dealers.

NOTIFY SENATOR CLOSE

- S.B. 467 Authorizes Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority in name of Clark County to issue not to exceed \$12,000,000 of bonds for improving the convention hall and exposition buildings.
 - NOTIFY: Keith Ashworth Las Vegas Convention Center Authority Mr. Broadbent

S.B. 473 Provides that boards of county highway commissioners are composed of members of boards of county commissioners.

*Please do not ask for counsel unless necessary.

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