

ASSEMBLY HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE MINUTES

DATE: FEBRUARY 10, 1975

MEMBERS PRESENT: CHAIRMAN BENNETT
VICE-CHAIRMAN CHRISTENSEN
MR. CRADDOCK
MR. MANN
MR. MURPHY
MRS. FORD

MEMBERS ABSENT: MR. BARENGO
MR. LOWMAN
MR. VERGIELS

GUESTS: SEE ATTACHED GUEST REGISTER

Chairman Bennett called the meeting to order at 3:15 p.m. and stated that the first bill to be discussed would be AB-144.

Dr. William Edwards, Chief of Preventative Medicine, Division of Health, appeared in support of AB-144. He stated his department is already investigating the tubercular patients' financial resources and determining what, if anything, they could pay. This bill was to provide legislation to conform to what they are doing.

Upon questioning by Mrs. Ford, Dr. Edwards stated they had cared for 52 patients last year and 47 the year before. He does not feel there is an increase in T.B. in Nevada, however. The cost of determining T.B. has been decreased by the use of skin tests. They spent only \$40,000 for hospitalization for patients during the past year.

Mr. Craddock inquired about the cost of investigation as compared with recovery, and Dr. Edwards did not have those figures. Mr. Murphy asked who made the determination as to the patient's ability to contribute, and was informed the work was done by a social worker in the T.B. Division.

AB-145 was the next bill to be discussed. Dr. Edwards testified that this was a housekeeping bill to change the term "paramedic" to "advanced emergency medical technician-ambulance." Reba Chappell of the Health Department said they had received a grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation to train people in Clark County, and in talking to people in other states who had the same program the language or definition should conform.

Mr. Mann questioned the necessity of such a bill in view of the cost and asked Dr. Edwards if he felt it had a high priority in his department. Dr. Edwards did not want to put priorities on any bills, but thought this would rate high.

AB-146 was called and no one appeared in support thereof.

AB-148 was last on the agenda. Mr. A. R. Martelle, Deputy Administrator of Assistance Payments, Department of Human Resources, read a statement explaining the purpose of the bill. A copy of such statement is marked "Exhibit A", attached hereo, and made a part of these minutes.

Mr. Douglas Simeroth, also of State Welfare, concurred with Mr. Martelle. Father Larry Dunphy of Las Vegas had certain misgivings concerning the bill and stated that Title VI had been superseded by Title XX of the Social Security Act. Title XX changes certain aspects of payment and eligibility, but the guidelines for it have not come out yet.

Mr. Martelle stated that he was going to ask that the bill be amended to change Title VI to Title XX.

Witnesses were excused, and the Committee took the following action:

AB-144: Do Pass motion made by Mr. Mann, seconded by Mr. Christensen.

Yes votes: Bennett, Christensen, Craddock, Mann, Murphy, Ford.
Absent: Barengo, Vergiels, Lowman.

AB-145: Mrs. Ford moved Do Pass, and Mr. Murphy seconded.

Yes votes: Bennett, Christensen, Craddock, Murphy, Ford.

No votes: Mann

Absent: Barengo, Vergiels, Lowman.

AB-146: To be rescheduled for hearing to give proponents a chance to appear.

AB-148: Mr. Mann moved to Amend and Do Pass. Amendment to be as follows: Section 2, Lines 7, words "former or potential" to be changed to "welfare eligible, and words "Title VI" changed to "Title XX". Mr. Murphy seconded the motion. All members present voted yes. - Exhibit A

Chairman Bennett adjourned the meeting at approximately 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Dunne, Secretary

ASSEMBLY

AGENDA FOR COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND WELFARE.....

Date February 10, 1975 Time 3:00 p.m. Room 240.....

Bills or Resolutions to be considered	Subject	Counsel requested*
<i>Passed</i> AB 144	Authorizes health division to investigate resources of tubercular patients to determine ability to share costs of public medical and hospital care.	No
<i>Passed</i> AB 145	Changes term "paramedic" to "advanced emergency medical technician-ambulance."	"
<i>To be made</i> AB 146	Deletes provision requiring nurse's disciplinary hearing to be held within 30 days from filing of complaint.	"
<i>Agreed Passed</i> AB 148	Substitutes provisions on supplemental security income program for provisions on aid to the blind and old-age assistance.	"

*Please do not ask for counsel unless necessary.

EXHIBIT A

Health + Welfare Minutes of Feb. 10, 1975
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

WELFARE DIVISION

251 JEANELL DR., CAPITOL MAIL COMPLEX, CARSON CITY, NV. 89701

10 February 1975

Assembly Standing Committee
on Health and Welfare
Nevada State Legislature
State Legislative Building
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Gentlemen:

AB 148 removes references to programs no longer under State jurisdiction and substitutes reference to the *Supplemental Security Income Program.

The passage of Title 16 of the Social Security Act (Public Law 92-603) in 1973 created the Federally-administered Supplemental Security Income Program which replaced the State-administered programs of Old Age Assistance and Aid to the Blind.

As suggested by the Legislative Council Bureau, AB 148 consolidates law concerning the aged, blind and disabled into NRS 427.**

Sincerely,

A. R. Martelle
Deputy Administrator
Assistance Payments

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*Supplemental Security Income is a Federal program with common eligibility requirements nationwide for the aged, blind and disabled. It pays a basic amount of \$146 monthly to all categories, with a State supplement required to bring the payment up to the levels paid in December 1973. This program is the administrative responsibility of the Federal Government, specifically the Social Security Administration.

**Now partially contained in NRS 426, 428 and 422.

	<u>Payment Level</u>	<u>State Supplement</u>
Aged	\$185	\$39
Blind	215	69
Disabled	146	0

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HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE
LEGISLATION ACTION

DATE Feb. 10, 1975

SUBJECT ~~XXXX~~ AB-144

MOTION: _____

Do Pass xx Amend _____ Indefinitely Postpone _____ Reconsider _____

Moved By Mr. Mann Seconded By Mr. Christensen

AMENDMENT _____

Moved By _____ Seconded By _____

AMENDMENT _____

Moved By _____ Seconded By _____

<u>VOTE:</u>	<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>
Bennett	<u>x</u>	---	---	---	---	---
Christensen	<u>x</u>	---	---	---	---	---
Barengo	<u>Absent</u>	---	---	---	---	---
Craddock	<u>x</u>	---	---	---	---	---
Mann	<u>x</u>	---	---	---	---	---
Murphy	<u>x</u>	---	---	---	---	---
Vergiels	<u>Absent</u>	---	---	---	---	---
Ford	<u>x</u>	---	---	---	---	---
Lowman	<u>Absent</u>	---	---	---	---	---

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SUBJECT AB-145

MOTION: _____

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Moved By Mrs. Ford Seconded By Mr. Murphy

AMENDMENT _____

Moved By _____ Seconded By _____

AMENDMENT _____

Moved By _____ Seconded By _____

VOTE:	MOTION		AMEND		AMEND	
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Mann	---	<u>x</u>	---	---	---	---
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58TH NEVADA LEGISLATURE
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SUBJECT AB 148

MOTION: AMEND AND DO PASS

Do Pass Amend Indefinitely Postpone Reconsider

Moved By Mr. Mann Seconded By Mr. Murphy

AMENDMENT Section 2, Line 7: words "former or potential"
to be changed to "welfare eligible". Words "Title VI" to be
changed to "Title XX"
Moved By _____ Seconded By _____

AMENDMENT _____

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