

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
February 4, 1975

Members Present: Messrs. Glover, Dreyer, Howard, Jacobsen,
and Mrs. Hayes

Members Absent: None

Guests: Representing

J. Gianotti	Harrah's
John Ciardella	Dept of Motor Vehicle
W.L. Fletcher	Dept of Motor Vehicle
Louis Bergevin	Dept of Motor Vehicle
Robert E. Guinn	Nevada Cattlemen's Assn
James L Lambert	Nevada Highway Patrol Dept of Motor Vehicle
Howard Hill	Dept of Motor Vehicle
Dorothy Anderson	Anderson Automotive and Towing
S. Young	S.P.P. Co
Daryl E. Capurro	Nev Motor Transport Assn & Nevada Franchised Auto Dealers Assn
Rowland Oakes	Association of General Contractors

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Glover, at 3:10 p.m. The first order of business was discussion of A.B. 7 which regulates operation of vehicles approaching horse-drawn vehicles, ridden, animals, or livestock. Mr. Dreyer explained that this Bill, which he drafted at the request of the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Dept, would change the working in the law to provide new rules for some drivers, motorcycle riders, and dunbuggy drivers who derive fun from and deliberately try to harrass people on horses. There was some discussion and decided that this Bill would not be applicable to county roads or private property. Mr. James Lambert, representing Nevada Highway Patrol of Dept. of Motor Vehicle, discussed in what incidences a person could be cited and possible cost of citations.

The next Bill to be discussed was A.B. 115 which changes the definition of "bus." Mr. Lambert explained that this Bill was designed to cover limosines per se in the bus definition. He said this bill would fill in the gap from a 6 passenger taxi to a 10 passenger bus as far as requirements. This would also bring into regulation something like a church outing bus and set up requirements for it.

Mr. Guinn of the Nevada Motor Transport Association was the next speaker. He felt this bill would be creating problems for a limosine if we equated it with the requirements of a bus. He questioned if the bill was going to require limos to meet licensing requirements of buses. He also stated that there are some traffic laws which allow buses and taxis to stop and load and unload passengers in certain areas where other vehicles cannot. Is this bill going to extend this privilege to limos. Mr. Gionetti, representing Harrah's, questioned if limos would then be required to stop at railroad crossings as buses are.

Mr. Guinn suggested no action be taken on the bill until he could discuss it in more detail with Mr. Lambert and then report back to the committee.

The next bill discussed was A.B. 116 which amends provisions for display of lights on towed vehicles. Mr. Lambert said this bill was drafted to clarify the law which has been interpreted in too many ways.

Dorothy Anderson of Anderson Automotive and Towing spoke against the Bill. She didn't feel tow lights were necessary for daylight hours. She said they would just be an added expense, as a person can always see the tow truck's lights.

A.B. 35 was the next order of business. This Bill requires registration and licensing of special mobile equipment for movement on highways. Senator Bill Raggio was the first speaker. He cited an incident in Washoe Co a year ago when Harry O'Brian was killed when a fork lift on the highway fell on his car. Senator Raggio said he would like to see some kind of legislation to control or restrict the use of such equipment. Maybe the route of the equipment or the type of carrier could be controlled. Mr. Ciradelli of Dept of Motor Vehicle stated this bill provides solely for registration of this equipment and would not control the problem introduced by Senator Raggio. Lewis Bergivin from Nevada Cattle Association asked for clarification of the term "mobil Equip." He said there is some equipment that might go on the highway 10 minutes out of the entire year. Does this have to be licensed? Roland Oaks, representing the Association of General Contractors also talked against the bill. He said it would cause a heavy burden on the construction industry and burden people who are going to purchase heavy equipment with just more additional costs. Mr. May suggested having a minimal licensing fee (\$1-\$2) for Dept. of Motor Vehicle. Mr. Guinn agreed with Mr. Oakes that this was no time to saddle the construction people with any more costs. But he said such a low registration fee would not even cover the costs of Dept of Motor Vehicle to handle the registration. Mr. Hill, representing the Dept of Motor Vehicle said he was not taking any stand on the bill, but if it were passed, he would go along with a small minimal fee of \$1-\$5.

Chairman Glover thanked the speakers and guests for coming and announced that the committee would take a 5 minute break.

After the break the following action was taken on the Bills.

A.B. 35 Mr. Howard made a motion for "do not pass;" Mr. Jacobsen seconded, and the committee was unanimous for a "do not pass."

A.B. 115 Mr. May made a motion to hold this bill for future discussion; Mr. Howard seconded, and it was passed unanimously.

A.B. 116 Mr. Howard moved for a "do pass;" Mr. Dreyer seconded, and the motion for "do pass" was unanimous.

A.B. 7 More discussion was held on this Bill. Mr. Dreyer suggested amending the bill to include county roads.

Mr. Jacobsen moved to hold the bill so more research could be done on it. Mr. Dini seconded, and the motion was passed with Mr. Dreyer abstaining.

Chairman Glover asked Mr. Howard to speak on A.B. 116 on the Floor.

Mr. Dini made a motion to adjourn, Mr. Jacobsen seconded, and it was passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

ASSEMBLY

AGENDA FOR COMMITTEE ON Transportation

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Date Tues Feb. 4 Time 3:00 p.m. Room 214

Bills or Resolutions to be considered	Subject	Counsel requested*
A.B. 7	Regulates operation of vehicles approaching horse-drawn vehicles, ridden animals or livestock. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 43-13)	
A.B. 35	Requires registration and licensing of special mobile equipment for movement on highways. Fiscal Note: Yes (BDR 43-3)	
A.B. 115	Changes definition of "bus." Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 43-305)	
A.B. 116	Amends provisions for display of lights on towed vehicle. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 43-327)	

*Please do not ask for counsel unless necessary.