

## Assembly

## MINUTES

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE - NEVADA STATE LEGISLATURE - 58th SESSION

May 1, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mello at 7:30 A.M. in the Ways and Means Committee Room.

PRESENT: Chairman Mello, Mr. Bremner, Mrs. Brookman, Mr. Dreyer, Mr. Glover, Mr. Howard, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Weise and Mr. Wittenberg.

ALSO PRESENT: John Dolan, Bill Bible, Peter Simon and Bill Hancock

SCR 40 "Provides for expenditures to retain counsel on matters relating to licensing of gaming employee representatives." BDR 1921

Mrs. Brookman made a motion to recommend a "Do-Pass". Mr. Dreyer seconded. Motion passed.

Peter Simon discussed his proposal of constructing the Southern Nevada Correctional Center in Jean, Nevada. Jean is located 28 miles from Las Vegas. He stated that the cost of construction in Jean would be the same as in Las Vegas. He has 96 acres in Jean 500-1000 feet from the freeway. The hook up of utilities would be about half the cost, but would be eaten up in construction costs. The power supply has to be increased, and will be at no cost to the state.

The committee then met with Senate Finance to discuss discrepancies in the budget.

PRESENT: Senator Lamb, Senator Brown, Senator Gibson, Senator Monroe, Senator Raggio, Senator Walker and Senator Young.

75-10 Campus Lighting - UNR - Mr. Dreyer made a motion to go with the Senate. Mr. Wittenberg seconded. Motion passed.

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75-16 Clark Correctional Center - Mr. Hancock stated that there are several advantages to building this prison in Jean. Mr. Simon is donating the land to the state, he will provide the utilities, the railroad, and a small airport. The disadvantages are the water situation and the Jean site revolves solely around Peter Simon. He stated that before this site is approved the Public Works Board is requesting a Performance Bond, the bond and legal work must be completed by July and the improvements made by January 1976, and there should be an alternative site selected in case this falls through. Senator Lamb stated that the alternate site the Senate is recommending is in North Las Vegas. He also stated that the Jean site resolves a lot of problems and is very much opposed to the Sunrise site. Mr. Hancock stated that Mr. Simons would supply the sites for employees to live in Jean if they so wish. Mr. Simons stated that there is presently bus service from Jean to either Good Springs or Las Vegas. Mr. Robinson stated that the Sunrise site is more on the order of what the warden wanted. Mr. Hancock also stated that the freeway is almost as fast as trying to get across town in Las Vegas through the traffic.

75-20 Site Development, N.M.H.I. - Senator Gibson made a motion to go with the Assembly. Senator Young seconded. Motion passed.

75-22 Day Activity, N.M.H.I. - Senator Gibson made a motion to go with the Assembly. Senator Young seconded. Motion passed.

75-18 - 75-36 Senator Gibson stated that these two were tied together. Mr. Robinson made a motion to combine the two and reduce the appropriation \$81,000 as the Senate did. Mr. Weise seconded. Motion passed.

75-27 Remodel Heroes Memorial - Mr. Weise made a motion to go with the Senate by not reducing the amount by writing a letter of intent that a tunnel will not be built. Mr. Bremner seconded. Motion passed.

75-39 Carpeting, Northern Nevada Children's Home - Senator Gibson made a motion to go with the Assembly. Senator Young seconded. Motion passed.

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75-55 Repair Mansion Steps - Senator Gibson made a motion to go with the Assembly. Senator Young seconded. Motion passed.

75-32 Industrial Building, Maximum - Senator Raggio stated that the prisoners have no place for exercise and Senate Finance was recommending that the Industrial Building be expanded to include a recreational facility. This would cost much less than building two buildings and would give the prisoners something to do. Mr. Robinson stated that he agrees with the concept but he felt the estimates were too high for a pre-fab building. Senator Lamb stated that they will check the figures with Mr. Hancock

75-45 Agriculture Laboratory - Elko - Senator Monroe felt this should be placed near the Reno fairgrounds as it has stables for any animals that might not to be housed.

75-15 Snow Melting, Blasdel Building - Mr. Weise stated that this was really not worth fixing because they are not sure it would work. Senator Young felt it would be a safety factor for the public because the walk gets slippery when it snows. Mr. Robinson stated that the pipes have been installed but they have never been tested.

Senator Gibson made a motion to add \$455 to the General Appropriation Act which is needed to continue through the rest of this biennium. Senator Young seconded. Motion passed.

Mr. Weise made a motion to concur with the Senate motion. Mr. Glover seconded. Motion passed.

Secretary of State Archives - both committees voted to hold with their positions.

Supreme Court - both committees voted to hold with their positions.

Desert Research Institute - Chairman Mello felt that the Institute had enough money and should get this money from the Federal Government. He also stated that there has been a 50% increase in the budget and they should be able to show this to the Federal Government in order to get the matching funds. Senator Monroe stated that the money was given for specific problems. Bill Bible stated that there has been a substantial increase in the budget and there should be enough for this project. Senator Gibson said that the money was given for solar energy. Mr. Robinson stated that they have stopped the seeding to see if they were having any effect on the weather, and it is still snowing.

University of Nevada Reno - Chairman Mello agrees with the concept but feels that there is enough money in the budget for this program. Both committees voted to hold with their positions.

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Clark County Community College - Howard Barrett stated that if they had known what the enrollment was going to be when the budget was prepared, they would have recommended the increase. Mr. Wittenberg made a motion to stay with the Assembly. Mr. Glover seconded. Motion passed with Mr. Dreyer voting no.

University of Nevada, New Programs - Mr. Howard made a motion to go with the Senate. Mr. Robinson seconded. Motion passed.

WICHE - Mr. Robinson made a motion to go with the Senate. Mrs. Brookman seconded. Motion passed.

Aging Services - Senator Lamb stated that the committee will reconsider.

Rural Clinics - Both committees voted to hold with their positions.

Food Stamp Program - Mr. Wittenberg made a motion to go with the Senate. Mr. Weise seconded. Motion passed with Mr. Bremner, Mr. Glover and Mr. Howard voting no.

Rehabilitation Division Administration - both committees voted to hold with their positions.

Regional Plumbing Boards - Senator Lamb stated that the committee will reconsider.

Public Service Commission Regulatory Fund - Senator Gibson stated that this should be held until the results of a bill are known.

Division of State Parks - Mr. Glover stated that the positions should be put back in to free up the park rangers who should be in the field.  
No action taken.