

## Assembly

## MINUTES

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

May 7, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Mello at 8:30 A.M. in the Ways and Means Committee Room.

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

ALSO PRESENT: John Dolan, Bill Bible and Assemblyman Heaney

Chairman Mello explained the conference committee's decision on AB 211 of 15% pay raise in the first year and a 4% pay raise in the second year with a 2% trigger. The trigger provides two additional 1% increases if additional sales and gaming taxes are generated to provide the funds necessary to support the increase. Before any increase beyond the 4% can be triggered there must be a combined increase of 4% in sales tax and 12% in gaming to allow sufficient funds for the increase.

He also stated that the Universities are short on retroactive funds. Reno is short \$19,500 and Las Vegas is short \$14,500. This would be a One Shot for one year. Mr. Bremner made a motion to approve this One-Shot appropriation. Mr. Dreyer seconded. Motion passed with Mr. Weise voting no and Mr. Wittenberg absent.

AB 284 "Revises provisions relating to compensation for victims of criminal acts." BDR 16-800

Assemblyman Bob Heaney stated that the original legislation limited this to those who were acting as a Good Samaritan. This expands the definition to those acting in self-defense, the pure victim of a crime, or those aiding a policeman. He has requested two changes be made in the bill: on Page 2, line 23, Sec 7 add "the Board may provide for an investigation and may fix a time and place for hearing." And, on Page 3 delete lines 7 and 8 as no deductible should be involved. There is also a \$100,000 fiscal note. It is difficult to know how much more this will cost the state.

Mr. Bremner made a motion to amend this bill as Mr. Heaney suggested. Mrs. Brookman seconded. Motion passed. Mr. Bremner made a motion to recommend a "Do-Pass" as amended. Mr. Dreyer seconded. **Motion passed.**

Over

There was some further discussion on the V and T Railroad. Chairman Mello stated that it might be suggested that the equipment be sprayed to preserve it rather than construct a shelter.

Mr. Glover felt it should not be left sitting out even if it is sprayed.

Mr. Howard stated that the spraying would not stop vandalism.

Mr. Weise stated that it would cost almost \$1/2 million to do it right and \$1/4 million is already invested in the equipment.

Mr. Robinson felt that the people who believe in the restoration of Morrill Hall and the Genoa Courthouse have generated most of the funds they needed and felt those in favor of the V and T should do the same.

Mr. Weise then stated that perhaps enough money should be appropriated to store the equipment for two years and see if the Railroad Associations could come up with the money for a new building.

Mr. Bible then explained the additional monies needed to fund the NIC Silicosis and Disabled. (see attached.)

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 A.M.

Bill:

NIC Silicosis & Disabled

	<u>20%</u>	<u>EXTRA. over appropriation</u>		
		<u>30%</u>	<u>40%</u>	<u>50%</u>
I. Permanent Disability	\$ 901,620	450,810	901,620	1,352,430
II Widows	\$ 678,162	339,081	678,162	1,017,243
III Children	\$ 99,791	49,895	99,791	149,686
IV Silicosis	\$ <u>1,610,902</u>	—	—	—
	\$ 3,290,475	\$ 839,786	\$ 1,679,513	\$ 2,519,359

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① Represents additional money needed to fund the liability of the different per centage increases