

SENATE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

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May 8, 1975

The sixteenth meeting of the Senate Education Committee was held on May 8, 1975 at 1:05 p.m. in Room 323.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Chairman Richard H. Bryan
Senator Schofield
Senator Foote
Senator Sheerin

OTHERS PRESENT: See Exhibit A

A.B. 24 - Provides for regulation of all proprietary elementary, secondary and postsecondary educational institutions and their agents that seek to conduct operations in Nevada.

Mr. John Gamble, Nevada Department of Education, spoke in favor of the bill. Mr. Gamble advised that this has been enacted into law in Florida, Montana and Tennessee; in Nevada, it is a revamp and replacement of the private school licensing laws. The current laws have been developed over a number of years, and at each legislative session they have tried to add to them. They feel this bill would be very helpful in the control and licensing of private schools. The industry in Nevada has grown tremendously in the last few years; in 1970 they were licensing maybe one or two post secondary schools in one year, and now they are licensing one or two a month.

Senator Bryan asked what base of support they have received from the private schools that would be regulated under this. Mr. Hansen replied that they have received full support from the private school sectors. The 3rd reprint is satisfactory to everyone as far as Mr. Hansen knows.

Senator Foote asked if this bill would have to go to Finance. Senator Bryan referred to Sections 35-38 and replied yes.

Mr. Merlin Anderson, Department of Education, spoke in favor of the bill and provided a copy of the enrollment for 1974 (see Exhibit B). Mr. Anderson advised that since that time, 5 or 6 additional schools have been licensed, for a total of approximately 36 schools being licensed.

Senator Bryan asked that Mr. Hansen or Mr. Gamble get together with committee members and go through this bill section by section.

Mr. Joe Lawlor, Consumer Affairs Division, referred to page 11, Section 42, subsection 4, and advised that this would give them a handle on controlling the diploma mills. They are in support of this bill and mainly Section 42.

Senator Bryan asked if A.B. 54 passes, would this bill be inconsistent with it. Mr. Hansen replied no.

Mr. Dick Gaylord spoke in favor of the bill and advised that he has been associated with the private sector in Nevada for 5 years. Mr.

Gaylord stated that he feels that this is a great bill. In his travels throughout the state, he has met no one who is opposed to it. Mr. Gaylord feels that no legitimate school could oppose this bill. Also, every member of the Nevada Association of Private Schools endorses the bill. There are 16 members of the organization which was founded about 1 year, 4 months ago and it has worked very well. Senator Bryan asked how many private, post secondary schools are not members of the organization. Mr. Gaylord replied that there are 36 schools in all; they have not been soliciting members - they must apply.

Mr. Leonard Ludel, American School of Diamond Cutting, advised that he is a member of the Nevada Association of Private Schools. He has gone through this bill a number of times and feels it is an excellent bill. Mr. Ludel gives his full endorsement.

Mr. Harry W. Swainston, of the Attorney General's office, stated that that office endorses this bill. Mr. Swainston further stated that it replaces portions of 394 which were enacted in 1966 that were weak and vague. The Legislature would be doing the state of Nevada and the people a good turn in enacting this statute. The statement of policy gives them something they can work with. Mr. Swainston referred to the following sections and advised that they would be beneficial to them: Section 27, subsection 2(a); Section 29, Section 46, and Section 50. Senator Bryan asked if the internal references were in order; Mr. Swainston replied yes, it corrects problems that they have run into.

Mr. Bob Best, Nevada State School Board Association, advised that they endorse this bill and are particularly interested in the portion that begins with Section 41, in that it provides a new way to license new schools.

Mr. Joe Kadans, President of Bernadean University in Las Vegas, advised that they can meet with the standards that are set out in the bill. Mr. Kadans stated that he hasn't heard anything said about any post secondary school operated on the academic level. All of the 36 post secondary schools are operated on a vocational level rather than academic level. There is some feeling that there should not be a college in the state unless it is fully accredited; however, Mr. Kadans is glad to see that this bill provides otherwise. Mr. Kadans stated that although he is here as an opponent, he is opposed on the grounds of the principal. Bernadean University is church operated, and they feel that the present law which exempts them is a good law -- there should be a separation of church and state. Mr. Kadans has obtained an application for licensing from the Department of Education and it is his intention to have that application processed, in which case they would have no problems if they got the license and met the requirements under A.B. 24. Mr. Kadans believes they are the only academic school that provides post secondary education insofar as liberal arts and sciences. Mr. Kadans gave his educational background, which include degrees in Jurisprudence, Theology, Philosophy, Naturopathy and Psychology. They would like to feel that their

application is voluntary and that they are not forced to do so. Mr. Kadans would like the committee to give consideration to adding a grandfather clause allowing a school that has been in operation 15 years or longer to continue operating. On page 11, Section 42, following subsection 7, a new subsection 8 should be added which would state: "Institutions operated by churches incorporated under Nevada law prior to January 1, 1960". Mr. Kadans stated that they were incorporated in 1959 and, therefore, would be exempt. Mr. Kadans further suggested that on page 15, the two year provision for re-licensing should be changed to at least three to four years.

Senator Foote asked Mr. Kadans where he received his doctorates. Mr. Kadans advised that he received his Jurisprudence doctorate from the University of Baltimore in 1943; Theology from Barrian Christian College in Kansas; Ph.D. from International University as a result of a book he wrote on herbs; and Psychology from a correspondence course from the School of Mediphysics in Indianapolis.

Senator Foote moved "Do Pass", amend, and re-refer to Finance; seconded by Senator Sheerin; motion carried. Absent: Senators Blakemore, Neal and Young.

Being no further business at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Sharon W. Maher, Secretary

PRIVATE SCHOOL POSTSECONDARY ENROLLMENT FOR 1974

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<u>SCHOOL NAME</u>	<u>SCHOOL LOCATION</u>	<u>ENROLLMENT FOR 1974</u>
American School of Diamond Cutting Automated Systems Inc.	Gardnerville	76
dba Casino Training Center	Las Vegas	324
Bobby Ayoub's Original Dealer's School	Las Vegas	76
Dana McKay's Business College	Las Vegas	165
Education Dynamics Institute	Las Vegas	540
Education Dynamics Institute	Reno	313
Fashion Merchandising Institute	Las Vegas	24
H & R Block	Las Vegas	53
H & R Block	Reno	82
International Schools, Inc.	Las Vegas	490
Las Vegas School for Barboys & Cocktail Wait.	Las Vegas	68
Las Vegas School of Dealing	Las Vegas	550
Nevada Gaming Schools	Las Vegas	100
Nevada School of Dealing	Las Vegas	507
Northern Nevada Business Institute	Reno	110
P.I.C. Dog Grooming	Las Vegas	22
Poodle Grooming School	Las Vegas	10
Professionals Academy	Las Vegas	361
J. R. Rapp's School of Dealing	Las Vegas	47
Real Estate School of Nevada	Las Vegas	375
Reno Junior College of Business	Reno	300
Serenus Clinical Hypnosis	Las Vegas	55
Sierra Nevada College	Incline Village	503
St. D Dealer's School	Las Vegas	336
Denny Walker's Academy of Dealing	Las Vegas	342
Yeager Refrigeration School	Las Vegas	48

LICENSED DURING YEAR

Northern Nevada Real Estate School	Reno	30
Jessie Emmett Education Center	Las Vegas	0
Universal Models	Las Vegas	<u>108</u>

Total Number of Postsecondary Students Enrolled in
Calendar Year 1974 in Private Schools 6,015

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