

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
MARCH 24, 1975

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The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m.

Senator Floyd R. Lamb was in the Chair.

PRESENT: Senator Floyd R. Lamb, Chairman
 Senator James I. Gibson, Vice-Chairman
 Senator Lee E. Walker
 Senator Warren L. Monroe
 Senator B. Mahlon Brown
 Senator William Raggio
 Senator C. Clifton Young

OTHERS: Art Crosby - Computer Facility
 Dr. Albert Johns - University of Nevada, LV
 Dr. Art Baker - Mining Cooperative Fund
 Henry Etchemendy - Carson City Taxes
 Howard Needham - University Student
 Elaine Mills - Clark County Library
 Howard Barrett - Budget Director
 Ron Sparks, Fiscal Analyst
 Cy Ryan, UPI

COMPUTER FACILITY

Senator Lamb asked about the Contractual Services. Mr. Art Crosby said this is for software products.

Senator Lamb asked who the facility does not service. Mr. Crosby said ESD and the University, however, the ESD will soon be part of the system.

Senator Lamb asked about the Nevada-Utah backup. Mr. Crosby said this provides a dial-in capability into Utah's system in case of a breakdown at the Nevada center.

Senator Raggio asked why ESD was joining the facility. Mr. Crosby said that due to the increase in unemployment, ESD has had a great increase in their workload. Mr. Crosby said that having ESD using the facility does present a capacity problem, however, the federal government may give funds to ESD for an additional main frame to the already existing computer.

Senators Lamb and Brown were concerned that the projected income from the user, ESD, may not come through for the facility unless the federal funding is actuated. Mr. Howard Barrett said that the growth of ESD could not have been predicted, and at this time, no one knows what the federal government is going to do. Mr. Barrett issued a summary to the Senators which listed the budget of the facility without the revenue from ESD.

Senator Brown asked if the new positions would be necessary if ESD did not participate in the Facility. Mr. Barrett said that Mr. Crosby does not want to eliminate these, even without ESD.

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Senator Lamb asked what the Data Processing cost the State. MR. Barrett gave the following figures for one year:

- a) CDP - \$1.5 million
- b) UNIVERSITY -\$1.3 million
- c) DMV - \$1,084,000
- d) CONTROLLER - Approximately \$300,000
- e) NIC AND ESD - Not Sure

Mr. Barrett said that ESD wants to stay in the facility, but will need their own machine, for their own use.

Senator Young asked how much longer the facility could handle any growth with their current machine. Mr. Crosby said that next Biennium, (with a 20% growth each year) the facility will be requesting another machine. Senator Young asked if they owned their machine they currently have. Mr. Crosby said yes, but they could rent the next one for \$50,000.

Senator Lamb asked why should ESD be under the facility. Mr. Barrett said that the machine would be used solely by ESD, and that with all other agencies, the same hardware is used, it's the software that is segmented.

Senator Raggio asked if these new positions are really necessary, especially if ESD does not come under the facility. Mr. Crosby said they were, as the facility operated seven days per week with 24 hour days, and the new positions will aid in cutting down over-time.

Mr. Crosby said that ESD is discussing obtaining a Model "145" which has 25% to 30% of the capacity of the present machine, and will last about two years. Senator Raggio asked if obtaining a machine which lasted only two years is realistic. Mr. Crosby said that this is what has been given to the other states, and the Federal Government has to distribute the same type to all. Senator Raggio asked if the federal government can dictate that the machine only be used for their pilot projects. Mr. Crosby said that they want 'first call', but they do not dictate use.

Senator Brown asked how long it will take for the federal government to make their determination. Mr. Crosby said in approximately 30 days.

Dr. Albert Johns felt that in a State the size of Nevada, there cannot be adequate technology to service the people unless software entrepreneurs can be hired to provide outside expertise. Dr. Johns said that there is a power struggle between the entities and this calls for an outside leader. Dr. Johns said these experts take these State employees into their own employ. Senator Lamb said that this was done at NNB and now their data processing finally correct.

SB 180 (See attached bill)

Senator Monroe - Do Pass
Senator Brown - 2nd
Senator Walker, Lamb, Raggio - "NO"
Senator Gibson - Abstain
Motion did not carry.

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Senator Gibson said that he could not give his vote until he knew the amount of projected surplus for the budget. Senator Young stated that the budget discussions should be taken to the floor of the Senate. Senator Lamb disagreed with this idea.

MINING COOPERATIVE FUND

Dr. Art Baker said that this agency supplements the Bureau of Mines, and is divided into 20% for topographical work, and 80% geological work. Dr. Baker said that the topographical work is specific to Nevada, and the geology work is for areas that are not metropolitan, and are used by the mining industry and for environmental study.

Senator Lamb asked for a breakdown of the \$155,000. Dr. Baker gave the following:

- a) \$30,500 - Topographical Maps
- b) \$82,000 - Reports
- c) \$ 8,000 - Surveys
- d) \$14,500 - Environmental Studies
- e) \$10,000 - Environmental Studies

(All funds are matched federally on a one to one basis.)

Senator Walker asked if there was any mapping duplication with the Highway Department. Dr. Baker answered no, we work together.

Senator Lamb wanted to know the specific needs met by the agency. Dr. Baker said that the agency provides quadrangle studies on the environment that are useful to planners and sub-dividers, which show the nature of the soil, water levels, etc.

SB 299 (See attached bill)

Mr. Barrett said this money is necessary to repair toilet facilities in maximum cells.

Senator Brown - Do Pass
Senator Gibson - 2nd
Motion Carried

SB 157

No decision was made by the Senators on this bill, at this meeting. There was a general discussion as to what is the first priority of the Committee.

CARSON CITY TAXES

Mr. Henry Etchemendy said that the agency request is determined by the comparison of real estate value to non-real estate value.

Senator Raggio asked if Carson City was at the maximum rate. Mr. Etchemendy said that we will be.

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Mr. Etchemendy said that the supplemental is needed because the City is required to put in utilities at their full value, however, they now have permission to only include the real estate valuation.

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Senator Raggio asked if any other counties are approaching this percentage. Senator Brown answered no, and Mr. Etchemendy said that this is the supplemental needed because of the affect of including the utility valuation.

Senator Young asked if the payment in Carson City would increase if the new Correctional Center were built here. Mr. Etchemendy said it could increase \$125,000 in one year.

SB 303

Mr. Howard Needham said that it is difficult to be granted funds on need and academic skill, because 50% of the scholarships are granted to athletics.

AB 162 (See attached bill)

Senator Raggio - Do Pass
Senator Monroe - 2nd
Motion Carried.

AB 221 (See attached bill)

Mr. Barrett and his assistant said that currently the State is paying .12¢ per foot on a lease that will not be renewed in January, 1977. Mr. Barrett said that an appraisal made in August, 1971 set the price of the building and the land it sets on at \$168,000. Mr. Barrett said that there has been no appraisal on the adjacent land, that the State would like to have for outside storage. Senator Brown asked about the owner's price on the adjacent property. Mr. Barrett said this will be \$25,000 (approx. 13 ¢/sq. ft.)

Senator Gibson - Do Pass
Senator Monroe - 2nd
Motion Carried

AB 247 (See attached bill)

Mrs. Elaine Mills said this appropriation would mainly be for out-lying areas, such as Caliente, Pioche, Beatty, etc.

Senator Raggio - Do Pass
Senator Young - 2nd
Motion Carried.

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AB 252 (See attached bill)

Senator Brown - Do Pass
Senator Raggio - 2nd
Motion Carried.

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Senators Young and Gibson felt this should be held for further information.

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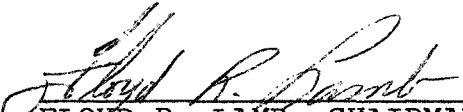
Senator Gibson said that he wanted to see the formula used to arrive at the figures presented.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:37 a.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:


SHEBA WOOLLEY, SECRETARY

APPROVED BY:


FLOYD R. LAMB, CHAIRMAN

S. B. 180**SENATE BILL NO. 180—COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

FEBRUARY 11, 1975

Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Makes appropriation to division of travel and tourism of department of economic development. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR S-874)



EXPLANATION—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT making an appropriation to the division of travel and tourism of the department of economic development to implement an advertising campaign to attract tourists to Nevada; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated from the general fund in
 2 the state treasury to the division of travel and tourism of the department
 3 of economic development the sum of \$200,000 to implement an adver-
 4 tising campaign to attract tourists to Nevada.
- 5 SEC. 2. After June 30, 1977, the unexpended balance of the appro-
 6 priation made in section 1 shall not be encumbered or committed for
 7 expenditure and shall revert to the general fund in the state treasury.
- 8 SEC. 3. This act shall become effective upon passage and approval.

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S. B. 299

SENATE BILL NO. 299—COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

MARCH 5, 1975

Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Supplements appropriation for 1974–1975 fiscal year for Nevada state prison. Fiscal Note: Yes. (BDR S-1197)

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EXPLANATION—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to Nevada state prison; making a supplemental appropriation for the 1974–1975 fiscal year; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

1 WHEREAS, A decision of the United States District Court for the Dis-
2 trict of Nevada requires improvements to be made at the Nevada state
3 prison; and

4 WHEREAS, Such improvements include remodeling of the isolation sec-
5 tion, provision of a satisfactory law library, and removal of certain
6 inmates to other institutions; and

7 WHEREAS, The financial burden resulting from the court decision was
8 not foreseen for inclusion in the 1974–1975 appropriation for the Nevada
9 state prison; now, therefore,

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11 *The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly,*
12 *do enact as follows:*

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14 SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated from the general fund in
15 the state treasury to the Nevada state prison the sum of \$48,540 for the
16 fiscal year beginning July 1, 1974, and ending June 30, 1975, as an addi-
17 tional and supplemental appropriation to those allowed and made by sec-
18 tion 36 of chapter 769, Statutes of Nevada 1973.

19 SEC. 2. After June 30, 1976, unexpended balances of the appropria-
20 tion made by section 1 of this act shall not be encumbered or committed
21 for expenditure and shall revert to the general fund.

22 SEC. 3. This act shall become effective upon passage and approval.

A. B. 162

**ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 162—COMMITTEE ON
WAYS AND MEANS**

JANUARY 30, 1975

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

SUMMARY—Expands the size and responsibilities of the Nevada junior livestock show board. Fiscal Note: Yes. (BDR 50-122)

EXPLANATION—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to the Nevada junior livestock show board; expanding the board's responsibilities to include additional events; providing for an increase in the membership of the board; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

*The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly,
do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. NRS 563.020 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 563.020 [Within 30 days after March 27, 1945, the governor shall
3 appoint five citizens of the State of Nevada who shall be the Nevada
4 junior livestock show board.] *The Nevada junior livestock show board*
5 *shall be composed of seven members to be appointed by the governor.*
6 SEC. 2. NRS 563.030 is hereby amended to read as follows:
7 563.030 *All members shall be residents of the State of Nevada.*
8 1. One member of the board shall be a member of the teaching staff
9 of the college of agriculture of the University of Nevada System; [.]
10 2. One member of the board shall be a member of the staff of the
11 agricultural extension department of the public service division of the
12 University of Nevada System; [.]
13 3. One member of the board shall be a member of the staff of the
14 state board for vocational education [Two]; and
15 4. Four members of the board shall be persons [interested in] *con-*
16 *cerned with the raising and improving of livestock in the State of Nevada,*
17 *not necessarily stock raisers [.] , selected as follows:*
18 (a) *Two persons from the cattle and sheep industry;*
19 (b) *One person from the horse industry; and*
20 (c) *One person from the dairy industry.*
21 SEC. 3. NRS 563.080 is hereby amended to read as follows:
22 563.080 1. The board shall have possession and care of all [of the]
23 property of the Nevada junior livestock show, *the Nevada youth livestock*
24 *and dairy show and the Nevada state horse program* and shall be entrusted
25 with the direction of [its] *the entire business and financial affairs [.] of*
26 *these exhibitions.*
27 2. The board shall have the power:

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A. B. 221

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 221—ASSEMBLYMAN DREYER

FEBRUARY 6, 1975

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

SUMMARY—Makes appropriations from general fund for purchase of warehouse and warehouse site. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR S-853)

EXPLANATION—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT making an appropriation from the general fund in the state treasury to the purchasing division of the department of general services for purchase of warehouse and warehouse site; providing for the repayment of the acquisition cost; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated from the general fund in
2 the state treasury the sum of \$165,000 to the purchasing division of the
3 department of general services for the following purposes:

4 1. The sum of \$140,000 for the purchase of a warehouse in Las
5 Vegas, Nevada.

6 2. The sum of \$25,000 to purchase land for the warehouse site.

7 SEC. 2. After June 30, 1977, any unexpended balance of the appro-
8 priation made by subsection 1 shall not be encumbered or committed for
9 expenditure and shall revert to the general fund in the state treasury.

10 SEC. 3. NRS 333.121 is hereby amended to read as follows:

11 333.121 1. Commencing July 1, 1971, and continuing until the con-
12 struction costs of \$193,310 for the purchasing warehouse building in
13 Reno, Nevada, have been paid, the purchasing division shall pay annually
14 to the state treasurer for deposit in the general fund in the state treasury 2
15 percent of the building's original acquisition cost.

16 2. *Commencing July 1, 1975, and continuing until the cost of acquisi-*
17 *tion in the amount of \$165,000 for the purchasing warehouse building*
18 *and site in Las Vegas, Nevada, has been repaid, the purchasing division*
19 *shall pay annually to the state treasurer for deposit in the state treasury to*
20 *the credit of the general fund 2 percent of the acquisition cost of the*
21 *building and site.*

22 SEC. 4. This act shall become effective upon passage and approval.

A. B. 247

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 247—ASSEMBLYMEN MELLO, WITTENBERG, BREMNER, PRICE, DINI, HOWARD, HARMON, GLOVER, MAY, YOUNG, SENA, CRADDOCK, HAYES, JACOBSEN, DREYER, FORD, SCHOFIELD, WAGNER, WEISE, GETTO, BARENGO, MURPHY, BROOKMAN, LOWMAN, HEANEY, MOODY, BENNETT, CHANEY, CHRISTENSEN, ROBINSON, COULTER, BENKOVICH, HICKEY, POLISH, JEFFREY AND VERGIELS

FEBRUARY 12, 1975

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

SUMMARY—Makes appropriation to Nevada State Library for purchase of books and bookmobiles. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR S-873)

EXPLANATION—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT making an appropriation to the Nevada State Library for the purchase of books and purchase and operation of bookmobiles; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated from the general fund in
2 the state treasury to the Nevada State Library the sum of \$301,100 to
3 be used for the following purposes:
4 1. The sum of \$251,000 for the purchase and operation of 3 book-
5 mobiles and the purchase of books in order to provide library services to
6 various communities and rural areas.
7 2. The sum of \$50,000 for the purchase of juvenile books.
8 SEC. 2. After June 30, 1977, the unexpended balance of the appro-
9 priation made in section 1 shall not be encumbered or committed for
10 expenditure and shall revert to the general fund in the state treasury.
11 SEC. 3. This act shall become effective upon passage and approval.

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A. B. 252

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 252—COMMITTEE ON
WAYS AND MEANS

FEBRUARY 13, 1975

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

SUMMARY—Makes additional and supplemental appropriations from general fund for support of Nevada mental health institute. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR S-845)



EXPLANATION—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT making additional and supplemental appropriations from the general fund in the state treasury for the support of the Nevada mental health institute; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1975, there is hereby
2 appropriated from the general fund in the state treasury to the Nevada
3 mental health institute:
4 1. The sum of \$35,000 for the purpose of administering its programs
5 and, due to lack of patient collections, as an additional and supplemental
6 appropriation to that allowed and made by section 33 of chapter 769,
7 Statutes of Nevada 1973.
8 2. The sum of \$68,939 for the purpose of meeting its operating
9 expenses as an additional and supplemental appropriation to that allowed
10 and made by section 33 of chapter 769, Statutes of Nevada 1973.
11 3. The sum of \$23,375 for the purpose of replacing furniture and
12 equipment deemed dangerous by the state fire marshal, as an additional
13 and supplemental appropriation to that allowed and made by section 33
14 of chapter 769, Statutes of Nevada 1973.
15 SEC. 2. After June 30, 1975, unexpended balances of the appropria-
16 tions made by section 1 shall not be encumbered or committed for
17 expenditure and shall revert to the general fund in the state treasury.
18 SEC. 3. This act shall become effective upon passage and approval.