

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
APRIL 23, 1975

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The meeting was called to order at 8:15 a.m.

Senator Floyd R. Lamb was in the Chair.

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

OTHERS: Harry Galloway, Department of Agriculture
Neil Humphrey, University of Nevada System
Lloyd Smith, Desert Research Institute
Dr. Charles Dickson, Division of Mental Health
Myron Goldsworthy, SB 332
Roland Westergard, State Engineer
Senator Mel Close, SB 399
John Dolan, Fiscal Analyst (Assembly Ways and Means)
Howard Barrett, Budget Director
Ron Sparks, Fiscal Analyst

AB 214

Mr. Harry Galloway said that this bill is the State compliance with the Federal Environmental Use of Pesticides Act. Mr. Galloway said that this will regulate both commercial and private applicators. Senator Brown asked how many people this involved. Mr. Galloway said 1,200 to 1,300. Mr. Galloway said that on July 1, 1975, Nevada will present its State Plan to the Environmental Protection Agency, and will aim for the target date of October 1, 1975. Senator Brown asked if there was any fee involved. Mr. Galloway said that there will be a charge of up to \$10.00 for the applicator's exam, and hopefully this charge will attract only competent people.

Senator Lamb asked if this law will apply to private individuals. Mr. Galloway said yes, but not all pesticides will be restricted. Mr. Galloway said that this is a Federal requirement, and that the maximum cost to the public will be \$12,000 over a five-year period. Senator Raggio asked how this law will affect the small home gardner. Mr. Galloway said that if using a restricted pesticide, the individual will have to become certified, or hire an applicator, but these types of persticides will be closed for sale at the manufacturing level. Mr. Galloway said that 75% of the volume of pesticides currently used in the community will be restricted. Senator Lamb asked if this is really a necessary mandate. Mr. Galloway said that if this is not passed by October, 1976, then no one in this State will be able to use restricted pesticides. Senator Raggio asked if there couldn't be a provision for the private gardner, so he wouldn't be affected by this law. Mr. Galloway said that they do not expect a problem in this area. Senator Monroe asked how much of a training program will be required. Mr. Galloway said from six to sixteen hours.

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AB 202 (See attached bill)

Mr. Galloway said that this applies to coyotes, birds, snakes, etc.
Mr. Galloway said that there is a need to have someone go in and formulate a program in the rural communities. Mr. Galloway said that the costs involved are the agriculturist and his travel expenses, the responsibility of which currently falls on the county agents.

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

AB 214 (See attached bill)

Senator Monroe - Do Pass
Senator Gibson - 2nd
Senator Lamb - "NO"
Motion Carried.

SB 470 (See attached bill)

Amendments were submitted by Mr. Russ McDonald on this bill.

Senator Lamb said that he thought that this funding was for all counties. Senator Raggio said that this fund is available for all counties who demonstrate that they are attempting to comply, but the specific appropriation in this bill is for Washoe County computed on the basis that the school district and the State will be coming in.

Senator Gibson - Amend and Do Pass
Senator Young - 2nd
Motion Carried.

SB 548 (See attached bill)

Senator Young - Hold in Committee
Did not receive a second.

Mr. Neil Humphrey said that the University would be back for operating money and funding for capital construction next session.

Senator Brown - Amend and Do Pass
Senator Lamb - 2nd
Senators Young, Raggio, Gibson, Monroe, Walker - "NO"
Motion did not carry.
(Senator James I. Gibson was acting Chairman on this motion)

SB 552 (See attached bill)

Mr. Lloyd Smith said that work in the area of solar energy has already

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been started, but the DRI would like to have a facility for this. Senator Lamb asked what funding will be asked for in two years. Mr. Smith said that the Federal Agency for Energy Research and Development may provide some funding, but the Institute will ask the State for operating monies.

Senator Gibson said that he was the sponsor of the 1959 bill to start this, but the first Director of the Institute was more interested in weather modification, and he would like to get back to the original concept.

Senator Brown asked what have other State programs expended. Senator Gibson said that Arizona and Colorado have done some research on the heating and cooling prospects, but the DRI would like to look into some new areas. Senator Walker still felt that a lot of work on this is done in other states. Mr. Smith said that they would like to supplement their staff will engineering people, and they think they will get more support from ERDA if the State shows interest. Senator Raggio said, isn't that putting the 'cart before the horse'.

Senator Gibson said that this will be a "shell" building for potential development, or a true research facility.

Senator Raggio asked if any applications were currently pending. Mr. Smith said not in solar, but in energy storage.

Senator Young - Do Pass
Senator Gibson - 2nd
Senator Raggio - "NO"
Motion Carried.

SB 190

There was a general discussion to determine which positions were existing and which are new. Senator Gibson asked what the salary would be for the Mine Inspector and the Deputy. Mr. Howard Barrett said that he though the Inspector's last salary was probably \$18,000 per year, but he would check this.

Division of Mental Hygiene and Mental Retardation:

Mr. Ron Sparks said that the position of Psychologist V will be funded Federally, and the Doctor being considered for this will not meet the Federal requirements, so this option after removing him as Human Service Educator is not open. Dr. Charles Dickson said that if either the Human Service Educator, or the Assistant Superintendent for Education and Public Information must be deleted, the Division prefers to cut the Information Assistant, and they will let the individual go that holds this position and give the other opening to the above mentioned Doctor.

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SB 332

Mr. Myron Goldsworthy submitted amendments to the Committee and stated that \$20,000 will be given by the Lander County Fair and Recreation Board, and \$60,000 is the requested State appropriation for the project total of \$80,000.

Senator Monroe asked if after the plans were made, couldn't this project be turned over to the Division of State Parks. Mr. Goldsworthy said that he had no thoughts on this, and was not in a position to speak on it.

Senator Brown asked Mr. Westergard to estimate the cost of Item One, (foundation studies). Mr. Westergard said approximately \$30,000 or \$40,000.

Division of Mental Hygiene and Mental Retardation:

Senator Walker - Motion to re-open the budget
Senator Monroe - 2nd

No vote on the question, as Senator Gibson suggested that this be held for the joint conference with the Assembly Ways and Means.

SB 399

Senator Mel Close said that the joint Committees on Judiciary felt that advisory counsel was necessary for this legislation, in order to obtain research that will outline union regulation. Senator Close said that this will probably take about \$4,000 or \$5,000 and that a law firm in Washington D.C. is their first choice.

Senator Brown asked if both Judiciary Committees are in favor of processing this bill this session. Senator Close said not until they see the results of the study. Senator Young said that he felt that the expertise is on the Committees already. Senator Close said that they feel that this isn't so, as there are many legal problems involving Federal and State jurisdictions.

Mr. John Dolan explained the position of the Assembly Ways and Means on the differences between the Committees on the Executive Budget.

University of Nevada System - System Administration:

- A) Assembly recommended that the University's legal counsel be transferred from the Attorney General, and the money for the two firms involved will be put in the Chancellor's budget.

Community College Administration:

- A) Instead of transferring System Services funds from all the budgets

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to Administration when needed, this practice would be discontinued, and a new budget for Administration would be re-constructed.

Senator Raggio asked why System Services can't be reduced along with this. Mr. Dolan said that this would be up to the Committees.

Intercollegiate Athletics - UNR:

- A) Assembly recommended that the General Fund appropriation be at the same level as UNLV.

Statewide Programs - UNLV:

- A) Added one professional position for the UNLV Museum

UNR:

- A) Assembly recommended that the Postage be increased by \$10,000, and that the Operating and Maintenance of Plant be increased, and suggested that two "one-shots" be appropriated for the Physical Plant Equipment, and for the Academic Equipment.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:


SHEBA L. WOOLLEY, SECRETARY

APPROVED:


FLOYD R. LAMB, CHAIRMAN

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A. B. 202

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 202—COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

FEBRUARY 4, 1975

Referred to Committee on Agriculture

SUMMARY—Establishes authority in state department of agriculture to regulate and control vertebrate pests. Fiscal Note: Yes. (BDR 49-211)

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

AN ACT relating to pest control; authorizing the executive director of the state department of agriculture to investigate and control vertebrate pests; making an appropriation; 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. Chapter 555 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section which shall read as follows:

3 *The executive director may cooperate, financially or otherwise, with*
4 *any federal agency or department, any other state agency or department,*
5 *any county, city, public district or political subdivision of this state, any*
6 *public or private corporation, any individual or group of individuals in*
7 *suppressing vertebrate pests injurious to the state agricultural interests*
8 *and in suppressing vertebrate pest vectors of diseases transmissible and*
9 *injurious to humans.*

10 SEC. 2. NRS 555.005 is hereby amended to read as follows:
11 555.005 As used in this chapter, unless the context requires other-
12 wise: ["department"]

13 1. "Department" means the state department of agriculture.

14 2. "Executive director" means the executive director of the depart-
15 ment.

16 3. "Vertebrate pest" means any animal of the subphylum Vertebrata,
17 except predatory animals, which is normally considered to be a pest, such
18 as a gopher, ground squirrel, rat, mouse, starling or blackbird, or which
19 the executive director may declare to be a pest.

20 SEC. 3. NRS 555.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

21 555.010 Within the limits of any appropriation made by law, the
22 executive director [of the department] is authorized to investigate the
23 prevalence of vertebrate and invertebrate pests of plants and animals,
24 plant diseases and physiological plant disorders which may be injurious to

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A. B. 214

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 214—COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE

FEBRUARY 5, 1975

Referred to Committee on Agriculture

SUMMARY—Regulates application of restricted use pesticides.
Fiscal Note: Yes. (BDR 49-164)



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

AN ACT relating to pest control; regulating application of restricted use pesticides; providing penalties; making an appropriation; 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. Chapter 555 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 15, inclusive, of this act.

3 SEC. 2. "*Certificate*" means a certificate of competency issued by the
4 executive director to a commercial applicator or private applicator
5 authorizing such person to make application of or to supervise the appli-
6 cation of a restricted use pesticide.

7 SEC. 3. "*Certified applicator*" means any individual who is certified
8 by the executive director as competent to use or to supervise the use of
9 any restricted use pesticide.

10 SEC. 4. "*Commercial applicator*" means a certified applicator who
11 applies or supervises the application of any restricted use pesticide and
12 does not qualify as a private applicator under section 6 of this act.

13 SEC. 5. "*Environment*" includes the water, air, land and all plants
14 and man and other animals living therein and the interrelationships which
15 exist among these.

16 SEC. 6. "*Private applicator*" means a certified applicator who uses or
17 supervises the use of any restricted use pesticide for purposes of produc-
18 ing any agricultural commodity on property owned or rented by him or
19 his employer or on the property of his neighbors if applied without compen-
20 sation other than trading of personal services between producers of
21 agricultural commodities.

22 SEC. 7. "*Restricted use pesticide*" means any pesticide, including any
23 highly toxic pesticide, which:

24 1. *The executive director has found and determined, subsequent to*
25 *a hearing, to be:*

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S. B. 470

SENATE BILL NO. 470—COMMITTEE ON
GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

APRIL 7, 1975

Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Makes appropriations to equalization county matching fund to assist counties in carrying on equalization program. Fiscal Note: Yes. (BDR S-1627)

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

AN ACT giving assistance to counties for the development of computer assisted appraisal systems; creating a county computer assisted appraisal system assistance fund in the state treasury and specifying the conditions for grants therefrom; making appropriations from the general fund in the state treasury to the equalization county matching fund and the county computer assisted appraisal system assistance fund; 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. Chapter 360 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
- 2 thereto a new section which shall read as follows:
- 3 1. *There is hereby created in the state treasury a county computer*
- 4 *assisted appraisal system assistance fund to be administered by the depart-*
- 5 *ment. The fund is a continuing fund to be used to aid counties in the devel-*
- 6 *opment of computer assisted appraisal systems.*
- 7 2. *A county may apply to the department for one or more grants*
- 8 *from the county computer assisted appraisal system assistance fund if*
- 9 *such county has been directed by the department to develop a plan*
- 10 *designed and intended to achieve an assessment ratio of 35 percent of*
- 11 *full cash value and such a county plan incorporating a computer assisted*
- 12 *appraisal system has been approved by the department.*
- 13 3. *Upon receipt of an application by a county for a grant from the*
- 14 *county computer assisted appraisal system assistance fund and receipt of*
- 15 *evidence that the county has provided funds in its budget for the purpose*
- 16 *of development of a computer assisted appraisal system the department,*
- 17 *with the consent of the state board of examiners, may make the grant*
- 18 *under such terms and conditions as the department deems advisable and*
- 19 *necessary and insofar as it is possible to do so within funds appropriated*
- 20 *for this purpose.*

S. B. 548

SENATE BILL NO. 548—SENATORS BRYAN, SCHOFIELD,
LAMB, HILBRECHT, BROWN, CLOSE, NEAL AND ECHOLS

APRIL 17, 1975

Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Authorizes board of regents of University of Nevada to establish law school at University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Fiscal Note: Yes. (BDR 34-1341)

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

AN ACT relating to the University of Nevada; authorizing the board of regents to establish a school of law at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas; making an appropriation; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

- 1 WHEREAS, The 57th session of the Nevada legislature in 1973 resolved,
2 in Assembly Concurrent Resolution 48, that:
3 1. A law school be established in the future at the University of
4 Nevada, Las Vegas;
5 2. The board of regents of the University of Nevada are authorized to
6 employ a person who would be qualified to serve as a dean of a law school
7 and who would develop plans for the physical facilities of a law school,
8 including a law library, and for the faculty and staff of the law school; and
9 3. The information developed be submitted to the board of regents of
10 the University of Nevada, the governor and the 58th session of the Nevada
11 legislature; and
12 WHEREAS, Pursuant to such resolution, the governor appointed a law
13 school advisory board; and
14 WHEREAS, Caesar's World, Inc., the parent corporation of Caesar's Pal-
15 ace in Las Vegas, donated the sum of \$500,000 for law school purposes;
16 and
17 WHEREAS, Several other persons and organizations have donated or
18 pledged sums of money for the creation of the law school; and
19 WHEREAS, Dean Willard H. Pedrick of the College of Law of Arizona
20 State University was engaged to prepare a feasibility study; and
21 WHEREAS, Dean Pedrick and Professor Lorne Seidman of the Univer-
22 sity of Nevada, Las Vegas, did submit a feasibility study to the governor,
23 the board of regents, the legislature and other interested groups and indi-
24 viduals; and
25 WHEREAS, The feasibility study concluded that the State of Nevada has
26 the present ability to support a law school and that Nevada will, assuredly,

S. B. 552

SENATE BILL NO. 552—SENATORS GIBSON, BROWN, LAMB,
WALKER, CLOSE, SCHOFIELD, BRYAN, HILBRECHT,
ECHOLS, HERR, NEAL AND BLAKEMORE

APRIL 18, 1975

Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Makes appropriation for construction of solar energy research laboratory in Clark County, Nevada, as additional facility of desert research institute of University of Nevada. Fiscal Note: Yes. (BDR S-688)

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

AN ACT appropriating the sum of \$370,000 from the state general fund for the purpose of designing, constructing, inspecting, equipping and furnishing a solar energy research laboratory in Clark County, Nevada, as an additional facility of the desert research institute of the University of Nevada; specifying the powers, duties and requirements of the state public works board and the board of regents of the University of 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. For the support of the state public works board in carry-
2 ing out the design, construction, inspection, equipping and furnishing of
3 a solar energy research laboratory in Clark County, Nevada, as a facility
4 of the desert research institute of the University of Nevada, there is hereby
5 appropriated from the general fund in the state treasury the sum of
6 \$370,000.
- 7 SEC. 2. The state public works board is hereby charged with the
8 duty of carrying out the provisions of this act relating to design, construc-
9 tion, inspection, equipping and furnishings provided for in this act.
- 10 SEC. 3. The board of regents of the University of Nevada and the
11 state public works board shall cooperate in carrying out the provisions
12 of this act. All plans and specifications for the whole or part of the
13 design, construction, equipment and furnishings shall be approved by the
14 board of regents of the University of Nevada and each contract shall be
15 approved by the attorney general before any such contract may be let.
- 16 SEC. 4. The state public works board shall employ competent archi-
17 tects, who in turn shall employ competent structural, mechanical and
18 electrical engineers in preparing plans and specifications. The state public
19 works board shall advertise, in a newspaper of general circulation in the