

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
APRIL 8, 1975

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The meeting was called to order at 8:10 a.m.

Senator Floyd R. Lamb was in the Chair.

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

OTHERS: Frank Groves, President, Reno Rodeo Association
Bobby Peterson, SB 448
Dave Drew, Past President of the Nevada State Fair
John Gamble, Education Administration
Howard Barrett, Budget Director
Ron Sparks, Fiscal Analyst
Cy Ryan, UPI

SB 448

Mr. Frank Groves named the following appropriations expected for the fairground improvements:

- a) \$20,000 -- Reno Rodeo Association
- b) \$30,000 -- Nevada State Fair Developers
- c) \$50,000 -- Washoe County (matching)

Senator Raggio asked if the money from Washoe County was a firm commitment. Mr. Groves said yes.

Mr. Bobby Peterson said that the Fair would like to have a master plan with the State, as this is a State function.

Senator Raggio asked what the \$200,000 will do. Mr. Peterson said that this will be for 200 additional box stalls, that can be relocated. Senator Lamb felt that this bill should be amended so that the State money will be contingent on the matching County funds.

Mr. Dave Drew said that there are 33 members on the State Fair Board, and they are all underwriters for the fair. Mr. Howard Barrett said that no State money has gone into this Board. Mr. Drew said that the Board consists of local business people, and is not appointed by the Governor.

SB 334

Mr. John Gamble said that the Administration favors this concept, but does not sponsor the bill. Mr. Gamble said that the full \$6.00 in lieu payment does not have to be made, but can be paid up to this amount. Mr. Gamble said that for the 87 in lieu students, a total of \$34,900 is the estimated cost for the end of this year. Mr. Gamble said that this amount is paid per attendance day.

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Senator Young asked if the in lieu is received if the entire family moves. Mr. Gamble said that if part of the family moves into the district, an agreement is worked out between them and the district.

Senator Brown asked which district has the largest number. Mr. Gamble said Elko County with 34.

SB 265 (See original bill)

Senator Lamb read the following amendments:

- a) Lines 3 and 5 should read 8 years, and \$75.00.
- b) Line 6 should read \$25.00
- c) Line 7 should read \$300.00
- d) Line 8 should read 17 years

Mr. Barrett said that with this amendment, this will mean a \$90,000 increase for the General Fund, and is an Administrative recommendation.

Senator Gibson - Amend and Re-refer
Senator Monroe - 2nd
Motion Carried.

SB 334 (See attached bill)

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

SB 448 (See attached bill)

Senator Brown felt that passage of this bill would set a precedent for other areas to receive State funding, that should function on private receipts.

Senator Raggio felt that the Fairgrounds is a State asset, and made the following motion:

Senator Raggio - Amend to read that State funds will be forthcoming, subject to receipt of matching funds from available resources for the full amount.
Senator Young - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Senator Gibson asked if the Fair and Recreation Board made grants to this. Senator Raggio said no, but the Board does make some grants to other political sub-divisions.

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

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SB 231 (See attached bill)

Senator Monroe - Hold in Committee
Senator Gibson - 2nd
Senators Raggio and Young - "NO"
Motion Carried.

Senator Gibson asked in reference to SB 336 what is the cost of the Post Retirement Increase to the older retirees. Mr. Barrett said that on page A-22 of the Budget Book, it reads \$2,009,700.

SB 330 (See attached bill)

Senator Brown asked if the silicotics from out-of-state who do not have any mining experience in this State, are paid by this State. Mr. Barrett said that if they were not pensioned by NIC in this State, Nevada does not pay for them. Mr. Barrett said that this is a proposed 20% increase to \$332,000, and this will mean an expenditure of \$3 million.

Senator Raggio asked if this is done for any other area. Mr. Barrett said only in retirement, because this is an area that can be measured, and actuated. Mr. Barrett said that the operating money is tight, but this cost is in the surplus.

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

Mr. Barrett passed out a handout on rent, and said that the revisions given will be worked into the budgets.

Senator Gibson - Motion to modify the budgets
in accord with the submitted rent revisions.
Senator Monroe - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Mr. Barrett also gave out a handout on the Real Estate Administration with a proposal that will move in the direction of making this self-supporting.

Senator Young asked if any thought was given to increasing the fees for sub-dividers. Mr. Barrett said yes, but this might prove to be counter productive.

Mr. Barrett suggested the following changes:

- a) Remove two Senior Clerk Typists, One Real Estate Inspector, One Real Estate Investigator, and One Auditor Trainee.
- b) Reduce the In-State Travel to \$20,000 (1st year), and \$21,000 (2nd)
- c) Remove the Out-of-State Travel

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Senator Gibson noted that the law lessend the power of the Real Estate Administration. Senator Lamb said that this is the same for the Comprehensive Urban Planning. Mr. Barrett said that the Administration only regulates sale practices, and does not regulate the location of subdivisions.

Senator Young asked how many were hired to supervise the Land Sales Act. Mr. Barrett said 27 1/2 employees, and ten were being cut.

Senator Young suggested that a letter be written to the Administration asking that they submit recommendations to the Committee concerning how this function can be made to be more self-supporting.

Senator Monroe - Approve and Do Pass with
the suggested changes.
Senator Gibson - 2nd
Motion Carried.

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Museum:

Senator Brown asked why the Curator of Biology is shown as receiving more salary than the Director. Mr. Barrett said that the Curator is classified, and he will have to check this out, but the Curator will not receive more than 95% of the Director's salary.

Senator Monroe felt that the stored exhibits should have a Curator to put them on display.

Senator Monroe - Motion to amend to include
the Curator of Exhibits, and the two
1/2 time positions would be increased to
full-time.
Senator Brown - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Senator Gibson - Approve with Amendment
Senator Brown - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Law Library:

Senator Gibson - Amend and Approve to be
modified in accord with the salary bill
requirements.
Senator Monroe - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Nevada Council on the Arts:

Senator Brown - Approve the Governor's recommendation
Senator Raggio - 2nd

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Nevada Council on the Arts (Cont.):

Senators Lamb and Monroe - "NO"
Motion Carried.

Library:

Senator Monroe - Approve and Amend to remove
the \$2,000 for Non-Structural Alterations
Senator Brown - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Library Cooperation:

Senator Young - Approve the Governor's recommendation
Senator Gibson - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Library Service Improvement Program:

Senator Brown - Approve the Governor's recommendation
Senator Young - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Director of Human Resources:

Senator Monroe - Approve and Amend to remove the
New Position.
Senator Walker - Amend to Approve the Governor's
recommendation
Senator Young - 2nd
Senator Lamb - "NO"
Motion Carried.

Aging Services:

Senator Monroe - Approve and Amend to remove the
Information and Referral Officer, and leave the
remaining New Position contingent on the receipt
of Federal funding.
Senator Gibson - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Division of Child Care Services:

Senator Gibson - remove the new positions and
approve the Governor's recommendations
Senator Monroe - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Senator Walker wanted to merge this Division with Youth Services.

Youth Services Agency:

Senator Monroe - Approve and amend to not transfer

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Youth Services Agency (Cont.):

the Chief of Juvenile Community Services
to this Agency, but leave this position
under the Director of Human Resources,
and not fund this position.
Senator Gibson - 2nd
Senators Young and Walker - "NO"

Northern Nevada Children's Home:

Senator Raggio - Approve the Governor's recommendation
Senator Young - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Southern Nevada Children's Home:

Senator Monroe - Approve the Governor's recommendation
Senator Walker - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Nevada Youth Training Center:

Senator Monroe - Amend and Approve by reducing
the first year appropriation for the Athletic
Program by \$7,415.
Senator Raggio - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Youth Parole - Boys School:

Mr. Barrett said that travel was previously being shared by the Nevada
Youth Training Center, and he would bring in the amount for In-State
travel to the Committee.

Youth Training Center - ESEA Title I:

Senator Gibson - Approve the Governor's recommendation
Senator Monroe - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Spring Mountain Youth Camp:

Senator Gibson - Approve the Governor's recommendation
Senator Monroe - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Probation Subsidies:

Senator Raggio - Approve the Governor's recommendation
Senator Walker - 2nd
Motion Carried.

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Nevada Girls Training Center:

Senator Brown - Approve the Governor's recommendation
Senator Walker - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Girls Training Center ESEA Title I:

Senator Gibson - Approve the Governor's recommendation
Senator Brown - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Senator Young suggested that a letter be written to the Advisory Boards of these Centers saying that if they do not meet, then they should be abolished.

Youth Parole - Girls School:

Senator Brown - Approve the Governor's recommendation
Senator Gibson - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Boys School - Girls School Reserves:

Mr. Ron Sparks said that the reserve for growth can be reduced if the Distributive School Fund is passed as presented. Mr. Barrett said that this budget should be held until approval of the Distributive School Fund, and then this can be revised accordingly.

Good Shepherd:

Senator Gibson - Approve the Governor's recommendation
Senator Walker - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Office of State Health Officer:

Senator Brown - Approve the Governor's recommendation
Senator Gibson - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Vital Statistics:

Senator Young - Approve the Governor's recommendation
Senator Gibson - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Denatal Health:

Senator Raggio - Approve the Governor's recommendation
Senator Young - 2nd
Motion Carried.

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Medical Laboratory Certification:

Senator Raggio requested that this budget be held until he is able to check out if the legislative intent has been exceeded.

Bureau of Health Facilities:

Hold for further information.

Family Planning Project:

Hold for further information.

Bureau of Laboratory and Research:

Senator Young - Approve the Governor's recommendation
Senator Raggio - 2nd
Motion Carried.

WIC Food Supplement Program:

Senator Young - Approve the Governor's recommendation
Senator Walker - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Maternal, Child, School and Special Children:

Senator Brown - Approve the Governor's recommendation
Senator Walker - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Milk Inspection Revolving Fund:

Senator Gibson - Approve the Governor's recommendation
Senator Walker - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Developmental Disabled Child:

Senator Young - Approve the Governor's recommendation
Senator Raggio - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Bureau of Community Health Services:

Senator Walker - Approve the Governor's recommendation
Senator Gibson - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Health Aid to Counties:

Senator Gibson said that this budget should be held until the final surplus is determined.

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Emergency Medical Services:

Senator Young - Amend and Approve to add to the
General Fund \$18,950 each year, and
reduce the Federal Funds by this amount.
Senator Walker - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Gonorrhea Screening Project:

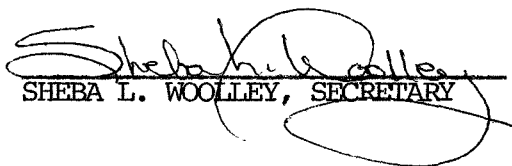
Senator Gibson - Approve the Governor's recommendation
Senator Young - 2nd
Motion Carried.

Immunization Program:

Senator Gibson - Approve the Governor's recommendation
Senator Young - 2nd
Motion Carried.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:


SHEBA L. WOOLLEY, SECRETARY

APPROVED:


FLOYD R. LAMB, CHAIRMAN

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S. B. 265

SENATE BILL NO. 265—SENATOR LAMB

FEBRUARY 26, 1975

Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Provides early recognition of service and increases amounts under longevity incentive plan. Fiscal Note: Yes. (BDR 23-822)

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

AN ACT relating to the state personnel system; revising the years of service required and the amount of payments under the longevity incentive plan; 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 284.177 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 2 284.177 1. A longevity incentive plan administered by the personnel
 3 division is hereby established for employees with [10] 8 years or more
 4 of continuous state service. Employees rated standard or better with
 5 [10] 8 years of continuous service shall receive [\$125] \$75 semi-
 6 annually with a semiannual increase of \$25 for each additional year of
 7 service up to a maximum semiannual amount of [\$250] \$300 for [15]
 8 17 years or more of continuous state service.
 9 2. As used in subsection 1, "continuous" means uninterrupted service
 10 as defined by the commission.

S. B. 334

SENATE BILL NO. 334—COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

MARCH 12, 1975

Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Increases payment for school pupil's food and lodging in lieu of transportation. Fiscal Note: Yes. (BDR 34-906)

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

AN ACT relating to transportation for school pupils; increasing the amount a school district may pay for a school pupil's food and lodging in lieu of furnishing transportation.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. NRS 392.350 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 2 392.350 1. When the daily transportation of a pupil is not practical
 3 or economical, the board of trustees, in lieu of furnishing transportation,
 4 may pay to the parents or guardian of the pupil an amount of money
 5 not to exceed ~~[\$3]~~ \$6 per school attendance day to assist the parents
 6 or guardian in defraying the cost of board, lodging and subsistence of
 7 the pupil in a city or town, having a public school, in this state or in an
 8 adjoining state. If such public school is in an adjoining county, or in an
 9 adjoining state, costs for tuition and transportation or for tuition and
 10 subsistence may be fixed by agreement between the boards of trustees of
 11 the school district in which the pupil resides and the school district in
 12 which the pupil attends school.
 13 2. Payment of money in lieu of furnishing transportation may be
 14 made only if:
 15 (a) The guardian or parents have been residents in the area for a
 16 period of time set by the board of trustees; and
 17 (b) The state department of education approves.

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S. B. 448

 SENATE BILL NO. 448—SENATORS RAGGIO, YOUNG,
FOOTE, GOJACK AND WILSON

APRIL 3, 1975

Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Makes appropriation for capital improvements on land used for Nevada State Fair. Fiscal Note: Yes. (BDR S-1503)

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

 AN ACT relating to the Nevada State Fair; making an appropriation to Nevada State Fair, Inc., a nonprofit organization, for capital improvements to the fair grounds.

1 WHEREAS, The Nevada State Fair is conducted annually on land owned
2 by the State of Nevada and held on a long-term lease by Washoe County;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, The fair has been carried on for many years by the Nevada
5 State Fair, Inc., a nonprofit organization, which in past years has contrib-
6 uted large sums of money for construction of facilities and improvements
7 on the fair grounds; and

8 WHEREAS, The sum of \$100,000 is presently required for additional
9 capital improvements for the fair grounds; 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. 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general
15 fund the sum of \$100,000 to the board of directors of Nevada State Fair,
16 Inc., for the purpose of making capital improvements to the fair grounds
17 located in Washoe County, Nevada.

18 2. No portion of the moneys appropriated in subsection 1 may be
19 released by the state board of examiners until the state board of examiners
20 receives satisfactory proof that the board of directors of Nevada State
21 Fair, Inc., has received the sum of \$100,000 from other public and pri-
22 vate sources for the specific purpose of making capital improvements to
23 the fair grounds located in Washoe County, Nevada.

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S. B. 231

SENATE BILL NO. 231—SENATORS RAGGIO AND HERR

FEBRUARY 20, 1975

Referred to Committee on Legislative Functions

SUMMARY—Authorizes placing mural commemorating American revolution bicentennial in legislative building. (BDR S-898)

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

AN ACT authorizing the placing of a mural commemorating the American revolution bicentennial in the legislative building; making an appropriation; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

1 WHEREAS, By the provisions of chapter 525, Statutes of Nevada 1973,
2 the legislature created the Nevada American revolution bicentennial
3 commission to commemorate the historic significance of the American
4 revolution; and

5 WHEREAS, Legislative bodies did figure prominently in the movement
6 toward revolution and in the successful conduct of the War of Inde-
7 pendence, it being the Virginia House of Burgesses in which Patrick
8 Henry proclaimed "Give me liberty or give me death," it being the Stamp
9 Act Congress that organized the first broad resistance to British taxes,
10 it being the Massachusetts Assembly that organized opposition to the
11 Townshend Acts, it being the New York Assembly that refused to obey
12 the Quartering Act, and it being the Second Continental Congress that
13 adopted the Declaration of Independence, directed a successful war of
14 independence and laid the groundwork for the American Constitution;
15 now, therefore,

16
17 *The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly,*
18 *do enact as follows:*
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20 SECTION 1. In commemoration of the American revolution bicen-
21 tennial, the placing of a mural appropriate to such commemoration is
22 hereby authorized in the halls of the legislative building.

23 SEC. 2. The Nevada American revolution bicentennial commission
24 shall supervise the selection of the mural, which shall be related to his-
25 torical perspectives, experiences or events of significance in the history of
26 the State of Nevada. Entries for consideration by the commission may be
27 submitted by any artist regardless of his state of residence.

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SENATE BILL NO. 330—SENATORS GIBSON, BROWN,
LAMB, CLOSE AND WALKER

MARCH 12, 1975

Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Creates silicosis and disabled pension fund and makes appropriation to such fund. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 53-834)

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

AN ACT relating to silicosis; establishing the silicosis and disabled pension fund to be administered by the Nevada industrial commission; establishing eligibility for benefits from the fund; making an appropriation from the state general fund to the silicosis and disabled pension fund; abolishing the special silicosis fund and substituting a special silicosis program; 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 617 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 and 3 of this act.
3 SEC. 2. 1. *There is hereby created in the state treasury the silicosis*
4 *and disabled pension fund. The fund shall consist of moneys appropriated*
5 *to the fund by the legislature and interest earned pursuant to NRS*
6 *356.087.*
7 2. *The silicosis and disabled pension fund shall be administered by*
8 *the state treasurer. The moneys in the fund may be expended only for the*
9 *purposes set forth in section 3 of this act, and none of the moneys in the*
10 *fund may be expended for administrative purposes. The expenditures shall*
11 *be made on claims approved by the commission and paid as other claims*
12 *against the state are paid.*
13 SEC. 3. 1. *The moneys in the silicosis and disabled pension fund shall*
14 *be expended to provide:*
15 (a) *The continuing benefits described in subsection 6 of NRS 617.460.*
16 (b) *The increased permanent total disability benefits described in NRS*
17 *616.626.*
18 (c) *The increased death benefits described in NRS 616.628.*
19 2. *Upon receiving a monthly statement showing the amount of bene-*
20 *fits to be paid for the month to the persons entitled thereto under subsec-*
21 *tion 1, the state treasurer shall pay an amount equal to that shown on the*
22 *statement from the silicosis and disabled pension fund to the commission.*
23 3. *At such time as all claimants, their dependents, widows, widowers,*
24 *surviving children or surviving parent or parents who are provided bene-*
25 *fits or increased benefits under the provisions of subsection 1 are no longer*