

SENATE LEGISLATIVE FUNCTIONS COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING
Tuesday, March 11, 1975

The seventh meeting of the Senate Legislative Functions Committee was called to order at 12:10 p.m. on Tuesday, March 11, 1975.

Chairman Warren Monroe was in the Chair.

PRESENT: Chairman Warren Monroe
Vice Chairman Mel Close
Senator James Gibson
Senator Mahlon Brown
Senator Gene Echols
Senator Cliff Young

ABSENT: Senator Floyd Lamb

ALSO PRESENT WERE: Cy Ryan

ACTION WAS THEN TAKEN ON THE FOLLOWING BILLS:

SB 19 Provides for public access to meetings of legislature and its committees.

Chairman Monroe felt that the Committee should make a decision on this bill. Possibly they should try for a rule instead of a statute.

Senator Young stated that he was not sure if it was proper or constitutional for the Legislature to tell the Senate what to do in executive session. He felt they should proceed by rule.

Senator Gibson moved a draft rule be drawn as in SB 19. Senator Young seconded the motion
Motion carried.

SCR 9 Adds joint standing rule specifying permissible conduct of citizens and legislative advocates during sessions of Nevada legislature.

Senator Monroe read the bill, after which Senator Close remarked that he didn't feel it was necessary to have "appointments in writing" as was specified in line 20 of Page 1. He also felt that he didn't think it was necessary to keep them from "loitering in the hallways" as stated in lines 7 and 8 of Page 2.

After further discussion, Senator Gibson stated that the lobbyists feel they need this resolution for regulating their own group. Senator Echols remarked he didn't see the need for such legislation and commended the lobbyists effort. Senator Young suggested that the lobbyists draw up their own Code of Conduct and this would be distributed

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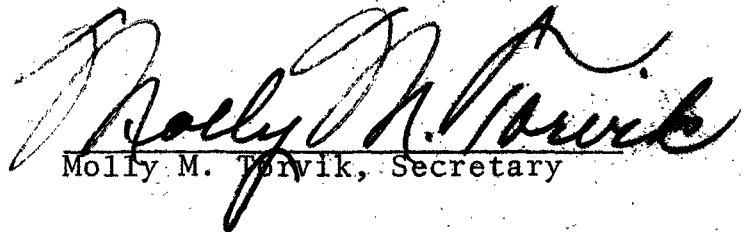
when the lobbyist registers.

Senator Gibson stated that he didn't see any great problem with the lobbyists and that it was his feeling that each individual Senator or Assemblyman could control any traffic problem.

It was then decided by the Committee that a hearing should be set up later for any lobbyist who might like to testify regarding this measure.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned until Tuesday evening, March 11, 1975, when the Committee would meet in a joint meeting with the Assembly Legislative Functions Committee at 7:30 p.m. in Room #131.

Respectfully submitted:


Molly M. Torvik, Secretary

APPROVED:


Senator Warren Monroe, Chairman

S. B. 19

SENATE BILL NO. 19—SENATOR SHEERIN

JANUARY 22, 1975

Referred to Committee on Legislative Functions

SUMMARY—Provides for public access to meetings of legislature and its committees. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 17-416)

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

AN ACT providing that all meetings of the legislature and its committees except as provided by the constitution shall be open to the public.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 218 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section which shall read as follows:
3 *Except as provided in the constitution of the State of Nevada, all*
4 *meetings of the legislature and its committees shall be open to the public.*