

## SENATE LEGISLATIVE FUNCTIONS COMMITTEE

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MAY 13, 1975-12:00 NOON

The sixteenth meeting of the Senate Legislative Functions Committee was called to order.

Chairman Warren Monroe was in the Chair.

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

TESTIMONY FROM: Senator Gojack  
 Assemblyman Lowman  
 Bob Guinn, Nevada Franchised Auto Dealers  
 Father Larry Dunphy, Common Cause  
 Rowland Oakes, Associated General Contractors  
 Joe Midmore, Soft Drink Industry  
 Fred Davis, Nevada Chamber of Commerce Association

ACTION WAS TAKEN ON THE FOLLOWING BILLS:

SCR 56                    Directs the legislative commission to require that the legislative counsel bureau study the feasibility of environmental information reports.

Senator Gojack explained the resolution and the intent of the Committee on Environment and Public Resources in developing same.

Senator Gibson moved "HOLD" for further consideration  
 Seconded by Senator Echols  
 Motion carried, with Senator Young voting "NO".

ACR 53                    Directs the legislative commission to study veterans' services and benefits in Nevada.

After discussion,

Senator Gibson moved "HOLD" for further study.  
 Seconded by Senator Brown  
 Motion carried unanimously.

ACR 60                    Directs the legislative commission to study Nevada review of A.B.A. standards of criminal justice.

Assemblyman Lowman explained the resolution.

Chairman Monroe will write the American Bar Association.

Senator Brown moved "HOLD"  
 Seconded by Senator Gibson  
 Motion carried unanimously.

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ACR 67                    Directs the legislative commission to study ways for the legislature to encourage the creation and retention of private and community foundations.

Assemblyman Lowman explained that the Fleischmann Foundation will be "going out of business" in 1980, and wants to obtain a successor.

Senator Gibson moved "DO PASS"  
Seconded by Senator Young  
Motion carried unanimously.

AB 454                    Requires lobbyists to register and file a registration statement and periodic disclosure statements with the secretary of state, and provides certain duties for the secretary of state.

Bob Guinn explained the amendments that were patterned after a bill introduced in 1973; noted that a good many states have a similiar bill, but California, Washington, Colorado and Missouri have a more stringent one; and stated that it's contemplated that the Secretary of State will only require lump sum reporting.

Father Dunphy said that he favors reporting of specific areas of legislative interest, and also favors inclusion of the Executive Branch.

Rowland Oakes suggested deleting lines 3-6, Page 3, as well as lines 29-32, Page 4; that a fee be charged lobbyists to pay the costs of AB 454 (recommended \$100.00); and further suggested that AB 790 be incorporated with AB 454.

Joe Midmore question registered lobbyists protection from unregistered lobbyists.

Fred Davis suggested analyzing suggestion of filing information regarding area of interests, as he stated there would be difficulty ascertaining what will be introduced; and noted costs of filing and printing of California's reports.

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Pros and cons were discussed, with the committee deciding to amend by deleting subsection 8 of Section 20.

Senator Young moved "AMEND AND DO PASS"  
Seconded by Senator Gibson  
Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, Chairman Monroe adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Quilici  
Beth Quilici, Secretary

APPROVED:

Warren L. Monroe  
SENATOR WARREN "SNOWY" MONROE, CHAIRMAN

**A. C. R. 67**

**ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 67—  
ASSEMBLYMEN LOWMAN AND MAY**

**MAY 1, 1975**

Referred to Committee on Legislative Functions

**SUMMARY—**Directs legislative commission to study ways for the legislature to encourage the creation and retention of private and community foundations. (BDR 2026)



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

**ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—**Directing the legislative commission to study and explore courses of action which the Nevada legislature could take to encourage the creation and retention of private and community foundations in our state.

- 1    **WHEREAS,** Since the beginning of our history, private foundations and
- 2    charitable associations have generously contributed to public morals and
- 3    welfare in diverse fields such as medicine, education, agriculture and in
- 4    other eleemosynary pursuits; and
- 5    **WHEREAS,** Philanthropies occupy a unique position as private organi-
- 6    zations which promote the public welfare in our society; and
- 7    **WHEREAS,** The growth trend for private foundations has slowed in
- 8    recent years and the termination rate of existing foundations has quick-
- 9    ened; and
- 10   **WHEREAS,** In a time when financial crisis is causing the Federal Govern-
- 11   ment and the State of Nevada to curtail spending, society can ill afford to
- 12   see its private organizations of charity weakened; and
- 13   **WHEREAS,** The relationship between government and private founda-
- 14   tions is based on the reciprocity of benefits which accrue to each in the
- 15   form of additional social services provided for the public benefit in return
- 16   for tax benefits to foundations; and
- 17   **WHEREAS,** Nevada taxpayers sacrifice tax revenues so that charitable
- 18   associations and foundations can devote funds to the service of the people
- 19   of our state; and
- 20   **WHEREAS,** Private foundations in Nevada expend millions of dollars
- 21   each year in grants for higher education, medical research, conservation
- 22   efforts and for many other meritorious civic and educational projects; and
- 23   **WHEREAS,** It is important to Nevadans to assure the continuation of pri-
- 24   vate foundations and charities which bring goodwill, expertise and finan-
- 25   cial assistance to bear on many of the problems of our state; and

(REPRINTED WITH ADOPTED AMENDMENTS)

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A. B. 454

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 454—ASSEMBLYMEN DREYER, FORD,  
WAGNER, BENKOVICH, COULTER, MURPHY, GETTO,  
HOWARD, WEISE, DINI, MELLO, SCHOFIELD, LOWMAN,  
JEFFREY, HEANEY, WITTENBERG AND BROOKMAN

MARCH 21, 1975

Referred to Committee on Legislative Functions

SUMMARY—Requires lobbyists to register and file a registration statement and periodic disclosure statements with the secretary of state, and provides certain duties for secretary of state. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 17-1261)

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

AN ACT relating to the state legislature; requiring lobbyists to register with the secretary of state; requiring lobbyists to file a registration statement and periodic disclosure statements with the secretary of state; requiring the secretary of state to handle all reports and filings and make investigations under certain conditions; providing for injunctions and penalties; 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 218 of NRS is hereby amended by adding  
2 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 28, inclusive, of this act.  
3 SEC. 2. *Sections 2 to 28, inclusive, of this act may be cited as the*  
4 *Nevada Lobbying Disclosure Act.*  
5 SEC. 3. *The legislature declares that the operation of responsible rep-*  
6 *resentative government requires that the fullest opportunity be afforded*  
7 *to the people to petition their government for the redress of grievances*  
8 *and to express freely to individual members of the legislature and to*  
9 *committees of the legislature their opinions on legislation.*  
10 SEC. 4. *As used in sections 2 to 28, inclusive, of this act, the terms*  
11 *defined in sections 5 to 11, inclusive, of this act have the meanings*  
12 *ascribed to them in such sections.*  
13 SEC. 5. *“Expenditure” means any advance, conveyance, deposit, dis-*  
14 *tribution, transfer of funds, loan, payment, pledge or subscription of*  
15 *money or anything of value, including cost of entertainment, except the*  
16 *payment of a membership fee otherwise exempted pursuant to section 16*  
17 *of this act and any contract, agreement, promise or other obligation,*

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