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ASSEMBLY JUDICIARY COMMITTEE May 3, 1977 9:35 a.m.

Members Present:

Chairman Barengo Vice Chairman Hayes Mr. Price Mr. Coulter Mrs. Wagner Mr. Sena Mr. Sena Mr. Ross Mr. Polish Mr. Banner

Mr. Barengo brought this meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

Senate Bill 508:

Mr. Wayne Blacklock, Court Administrator for Clark County, testified in support of this bill, explaining the details of it to the committee. He stated that it is a preliminary hearing bill and their need for it is that at this point their Justice's of the Peace do not believe that they can eliminate repetitive information testimony before them in preliminary hearings. Their problem is that their preliminary hearings go with whatever the attorneys want to put in the record and they do that to preserve testimony to impeach witnesses, etc. This bill defines a preliminary examination and states that it is only to determine probable cause and it allows for the elimination of repetitive information. Their Justices' of the Peace believe they must have this in order to cut those hearings down. He then supported this from an administrative point of view. Thereafter, there was considerable discussion and questioning of Mr. Blacklock from the committee.

COMMITTEE ACTION:

Senate Bill 508, Mr. Ross moved for a DO PASS, Mrs. Hayes seconded the motion. Mr. Barengo and Mrs. Wagner voted "NO". The motion carried.

Senate Bill 260, Mr. Ross moved for a DO PASS AS AMENDED, pursuant to Mr. Larry Struve, Washoe County Deputy District Attorney's suggested amendment, Mrs. Hayes seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to consider, this meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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