

SENATE
COMMERCE & LABOR
COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting
Wednesday, February 16, 1977

The meeting of the Commerce and Labor Committee was held on February 16, 1977, in Room 213 at 1:35 P.M.

Senator Richard E. Blakemore was in the chair.

PRESENT: Senator Blakemore
Senator Ashworth
Senator Bryan
Senator Young
Senator Hernstadt
Senator Close

ALSO

PRESENT: Steven Stucker Tom Moore
Robert Warren John Reiser

Senator Blakemore advised that Mr. Bob Warren, of the Nevada League of Cities, is unable to furnish the information on S.B. 59 at this time, and has requested a continuance of at least one week.

AJR 6 URGES CONGRESS AND SECRETARY OF INTERIOR TO EXPEDITE
STUDY OF FEASIBILITY OF INCREASING HOOVER DAM'S
CAPACITY (BDR 88)

Senator Young moved for passage of this bill.
Senator Hernstadt seconded the motion.
Motion carried unanimously.

Action was taken on the following BDR's which were referred to this committee for committee introduction:

BDR 53-327 CHANGES PROVISIONS FOR DISPOSITION OF MONEY COLLECTED
BY LABOR COMMISSIONER FROM EMPLOYERS OF PERSONS HAVING
WAGE OR COMMISSION CLAIMS AND BONDING REQUIREMENTS
FOR APPLICANTS SEEKING TO OPERATE PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT
AGENCIES.

Senator Ashworth moved for Committee introduction.
Senator Young seconded.
Motion carried unanimously.

BDR 54-600 REGULATES PRACTICE OF NATUROPATHY. AN ACT RELATING
TO THE HEALING ARTS; REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF
NATUROPATHY; CREATING THE BOARD OF NATUROPATHIC
MEDICAL EXAMINERS; PROVIDING FOR ITS MEMBERSHIP,
POWER AND DUTIES; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE
SUSPENSION AND REVOCATION OF LICENSES TO PRACTICE

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NATUROPATHY; PROVIDING PENALTIES; AND PROVIDING
OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY RELATING THERETO.

Senator Ashworth objected to introduction and moved that it be referred to the Chairman of the Health and Welfare Committee.
Senator Hernstadt seconded.
Motion carried unanimously.

BDR 20-960 ESTABLISHES METHOD OF SELECTING MEMBER OF FAIR
AND RECREATION BOARDS IN CERTAIN COUNTIES

Senator Bryan objected to the introduction.
Senator Ashworth moved that it be given to the Chairman of Government Affairs for his possible committee introduction.
Seconded by Senator Bryan.
Motion carried unanimously.

BDR 53-221 REVISES PROVISION ON OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND
HEALTH

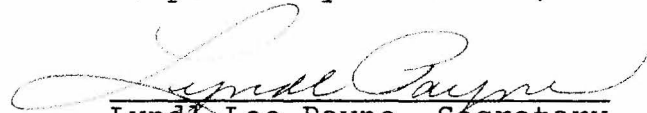
Mr. John Reiser advised this bill had already been introduced. (S.B. 170)

No further action taken at this time.

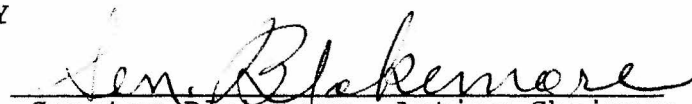
Committee advised of a joint meeting with the Assembly Agricultural Committee on February 24, 1977, in the auditorium, regarding the dairy commission, at 7:00 P.M.

Meeting adjourned 2:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,


Lyndi Lee Payne, Secretary

APPROVED BY


Senator Blakemore, Acting Chairman

SENATE
HEARING

COMMITTEE ON.....COMMERCE AND LABOR.....
 Wednesday
Date.....Feb. 16, 1977.....Time.....1:30 P.M.....Room.....213.....

Bill or Resolution
to be considered

Subject

ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING

AJR 6

Urges Congress and Secretary of Interior to expedite study of feasibility of increasing Hoover Dam's capacity. (BDR 88)

SUMMARY--Changes provisions for disposition of money collected by labor commissioner from employers of persons having wage or commission claims and bonding requirements for applicants seeking to operate private employment agencies.
(BDR 53-327)

Fiscal Note: Local Government Impact: No.
State or Industrial Insurance Impact:
Effect less than \$2,000.

AN ACT relating to the labor commissioner; requiring him to refund money collected from employers for wage and commission claims if not distributed to the claimants within 7 years; permitting an applicant for a license to operate a private employment agency to deposit cash instead of posting a surety bond; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND
ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 607.170 is hereby amended to read as follows:

607.170 1. When the labor commissioner deems it necessary, he may take assignments of wage and commission claims and prosecute actions for collection of wages, commissions and other demands of persons who are financially unable to employ counsel in cases in which, in the judgment of the labor commissioner, the claims for wages or commissions are valid and enforceable in the courts.

2. [In all wage or commission matters and before the taking of such assignments,] Before taking an assignment of a wage or commission claim, the labor commissioner [, in his discretion,] may summon to appear before him, at a suitable place in the county of the [wage or commission claimant or claimants, his or their employer or employers] claimant, his employer and all other necessary persons for the purpose of adjusting and settling [claims for wages or commissions] the claim before bringing suit , [therefor,] and the labor commissioner may effect [reasonable compromises of and concerning such wage or commission claims.] a reasonable compromise of the claim.

3. The labor commissioner or his deputy may maintain a commercial account with any bank within the state for the deposit of [funds]

money collected for wage or commission claims. [Such funds] The money shall be promptly paid to the persons entitled thereto. At the end of each calendar year, any unclaimed [moneys] money in the commercial account which [shall have] has been a part of [such] the account for [a period of] 7 years or more shall be [paid into the general fund in the state treasury for the use of the state.] refunded to the employers from whom the money was originally collected. If, after diligent effort, the labor commissioner is unable to locate any such employer, the money shall be deposited with the state treasurer for credit to the state general fund.

Sec. 2. NRS 611.070 is hereby amended to read as follows:

611.070 1. Before a license is issued, the applicant shall deposit with the labor commissioner the cash sum of \$1,000 or a bond , approved by the labor commissioner, in the penal sum of \$1,000 with two or more sureties or a duly authorized surety company as surety . [, which bond shall be first approved by the labor commissioner.] A notice of 30 days shall be given to the labor commissioner before cancellation of such bond.

2. The bond shall be [further] conditioned that the suspension, revocation, surrender or expiration of the license to operate the employment agency does not affect the coverage of the bond as to a claim arising out of acts that occurred [prior to the date of such] before the date of the suspension, revocation, surrender or expiration [.] of the license.

3. The labor commissioner may at any time require the licensee to make an additional deposit of not more than \$5,000 or to file a new or supplementary bond in a form and amount not more than \$5,000 to conform to the provisions of this section if the labor commissioner deems the initial deposit or surety of the initial bond to be unsatisfactory or the amount [thereof] of the deposit or bond to have become insufficient to satisfy all claims, accrued or contingent, against the licensee.

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4. [If the bond is secured by cash, the cash] Any cash deposit received in lieu of a bond shall be deposited with the state treasurer for credit to the labor commissioner's bond trust fund, which is hereby created. The cash deposit shall not be released for a period of 90 days following the date of suspension, revocation, surrender or expiration of the license.