

SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING

Tuesday, February 15, 1977

The meeting was called to order in Room #323, Legislative Building at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 15, 1977.

Senator Richard Blakemore was in the chair.

PRESENT: Senator Richard Blakemore, Chairman
Senator Keith Ashworth, Vice Chairman
Senator C. Clifton Young
Senator William Hernstadt
Senator Wilbur Faiss

ABSENT: Senator Margie Foote
Senator Joe Neal

OTHERS

PRESENT: Virgil Anderson, American Automobile Association
Howard Hill, Director, Department of Motor Vehicles
John Ciardella, Registration, Department of Motor Vehicles.

The committee then took action on the following bills:

SB 144 INCREASES VEHICLE REGISTRATION FEES PAYABLE TO AGENTS.

Mr. Virgil Anderson, American Automobile Association, testified against this measure. He felt very strongly about another tax increase on vehicle registration since there had already been three increases since 1969. (See Exhibit A.)

John Ciardella, Chief of the Registration Division, Department of Motor Vehicles stated that the bill had been requested by the State County Assessors.

It was the consensus of the committee that action be postponed on SB 144 until testimony could be heard from the County Assessors.

AB 22 DESIGNATES CERTAIN DOCUMENTS FOR USE IN PROVING AGE BY AN APPLICANT FOR DRIVER'S LICENSE.

Howard Hill, Director, Department of Motor Vehicles testified as to the purpose of the bill. The measure was introduced by Assemblyman Nash Sena (see Exhibit B) and it was amended in the Assembly because DMV felt it was necessary to clarify the intent of the bill.

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AB 22 (Continued)

Mr. Hill said that at the last Legislative Session, the law was changed to require that people who came from out-of-state or were aliens and who were applying for a Nevada driver's license must present certain documents for identification. In the course of the two years since the original bill was passed, it has been found that there are other documents which could be accepted as proper identification, but were not included in the law. The purpose of AB 22 is to amend the statute to allow the Department of Motor Vehicles to accept specified forms of identification for those who apply for a Nevada driver's license.

Mr. Hill added that the bill was amended in the Assembly to:

1. Make the law effective upon passage and approval. This would save people time who are now waiting to get their driver's license.
2. To clarify the law as to who has the burden of proof of whether or not a person is an alien: DMV or the applicant. Mr. Hill said that the Department was satisfied that the amendment clarified the intent of the bill.

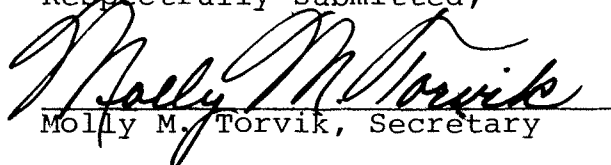
Senator Young asked Mr. Hill if any one of the documents would suffice as proper identification? Mr. Hill answered yes, because all of the documents are issued by the Naturalization Service of the Department of Justice.

There being no further discussion, the following action was taken:

Senator Hernstadt moved "DO PASS."
Senator Ashworth seconded the motion.
Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,


Molly M. Torvik, Secretary

APPROVED BY:

Senator Richard E. Blakemore, Chairman

* Privilege Tax Collections - (Growth)

1975 - 76	(Revised) ---	\$11,900,000.	
1977 - 78	-----	\$13,283,000.	= +11.70
1978 - 79	-----	13,700,000.	= +.0590

* Source - Budget

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE
Room 1-519, 300 Las Vegas Boulevard South
Las Vegas, Nevada 89101

January 18, 1977

Honorable Nash M. Sena
Nevada State Assembly
Legislative Building
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Dear Mr. Sena,

With reference to our personal conversation of January 12, 1977, the following information is furnished for your use.

Prior to the passage of a Bill by the Nevada State Legislature, this office apprehended 1554 illegal aliens in the Las Vegas area. Of this number, we handled fifteen to twenty per month which had obtained Nevada Driver's Licenses. During Fiscal Year 1976, this office apprehended 1672 illegal aliens in the Las Vegas area. This was the period from June 30, 1975 to June 30, 1976. Only two or three driver's licenses were obtained during any two or three month period. Of these licenses, they were obtained by the alien presenting a false Alien Registration Card to the Nevada Driver's License Bureau.

Having this law in the State of Nevada has greatly reduced the illegal alien's ability to obtain employment in the State, because they now cannot obtain a driver's license.

Thank you for your continued cooperation in this matter.

Yours truly,



JAMES E. WALSH,
Supervisory Immigration Officer

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A. B. 22

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 22—ASSEMBLYMEN SENA, BANNER,
HOWARD, CRADDOCK, PRICE, MAY, HICKEY, HAYES
AND POLISH

JANUARY 18, 1977

Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Designates certain documents for use in proving age by an applicant for driver's license. (BDR 43-545)

FISCAL NOTE: Local Government Impact: No.
State or Industrial Insurance Impact: No.



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

AN ACT relating to drivers' licenses; designating certain documents for use in proving age by an applicant for such a license; 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 483.290 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 483.290 1. Every application for an instruction permit or for a
3 driver's license shall be made upon a form furnished by the department
4 and shall be verified by the applicant before a person authorized to
5 administer oaths. Officers and employees of the department are hereby
6 authorized to administer such oaths without charge.
7 2. Every application shall be accompanied by the required fee.
8 3. Every application shall state the full name, date of birth, sex,
9 and residence address of the applicant and briefly describe the applicant;
10 and shall state whether the applicant has theretofore been licensed as a
11 driver, and, if so, when and by what state or country, and whether any
12 such license has ever been suspended or revoked, or whether an applica-
13 tion has ever been refused, and, if so, the date of and reason for such
14 suspension, revocation or refusal, and such other information as the
15 department may require to determine the applicant's competency and
16 eligibility.
17 4. Every applicant shall furnish proof of his age by displaying:
18 (a) If the applicant was born in the United States, a birth certificate,
19 baptismal certificate or other proof acceptable to the department, includ-
20 ing, but not limited to, a driver's license issued by another state or the
21 District of Columbia; or
22 (b) A Certificate of Citizenship, a Certificate of Naturalization, an

Original bill is 2 pages long.
Contact the Research Library for
a copy of the complete bill.