

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Dini
Mr. Marvel
Mr. Fitzpatrick
Mrs. Westall
Mr. Harmon
Dr. Robinson
Mr. Craddock
Mr. Jeffrey
Mr. Getto
Mr. Bedrosian
Mr. Bergevin

GUESTS PRESENT

See Guest List attached

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Chairman Dini called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M.

SB 136 - PROVIDES QUALIFICATIONS FOR, AND CHANGES NUMBER, METHOD OF APPOINTMENT AND DUTIES OF MEMBERS OF ADVISORY BOARD FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION AND ARCHEOLOGY

SB 147 - PROVIDES FOR A STATE REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

MIMI RODDEN, Admin. of Historic Preservation & Archeology

Mrs. Rodden explained to the Committee that SB 136 proposes to modify the N.R.S. as they pertain to the Advisory Board for Historic Preservation and Archeology. She stated to ensure continued compliance with federal regulations the composition and qualifications of the Advisory Board members have been clarified, terms of office and expiration dates for the Board members are set, and the appointment process redefined. She advised there would be no fiscal impact. Mrs. Rodden added that they are just changing the Board over to a more technical expertise instead of just representative by membership only.

Dr. Robinson commented it seemed they were getting the Committee so specific he felt they might not have much of a selection and had particular reference to the architectural historian.

Chairman Dini inquired what the procedure was for getting on a National Register at the present time. Mrs. Roddin responded the site or building is nominated by either an individual or group, the research is done to justify its existence and history, it is presented to the Advisory Review Board, who, in turn, go over it, with recommendations from staff for a pass or hold, and then goes to Washington, D.C.

Testimony was concluded on SB 136.

Mrs. Rodden advised the Committee SB 147 allows for the establishment of a register of places important in the pre-history and history of Nevada. She further stated Legislative recognition of these resources via the State Register process will be a source of local and individual pride. She stated listing on the State Register will serve to make citizens more aware of other significant properties in the State. Mrs. Rodden read from a prepared text into the record, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Testimony was concluded on SB 147.

AB 701 - PROVIDES FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF STATE PARK
AT INDIAN LAKE, CHURCHILL COUNTY, NEVADA

ASSEMBLYMAN VIRGIL GETTO

Mr. Getto explained to the Committee that Indian Lake is a chain of desert lakes in Churchill County. He advised in the last few years the area has gotten a lot of use. He stated statistics now show 30,000 people visit the Lake. He advised the Committee in an agreement between Fish & Game and Truckee Carson Irrigation District, Fish & Game has been administering the Indian Lake area. However, Mr. Getto stated, they are not in the business of administering recreational facilities and they feel it should be turned over to State Parks. He stated the land is under the Bureau of Reclamation.

Chairman Dini asked Mr. Getto to reiterate the position of TCID because two years ago they opposed acquisition of the Ghiglia Ranch and he wanted to know why now they wanted another park. Mr. Getto responded they have liability on it and they can't supervise it.

JOHN MEDER, Admin., Division of State Parks

Mr. Meder advised the Committee this was a grass roots proposal. He stated the proposal they have would be to develop a Master Plan initially and there were a number of interest groups in the Fallon area to warrant the concept. He stated it was a complex area, at least half dozen lakes, and an area of several thousand acres which needs to be designed very carefully. He stated the process would probably take a year, or a year and a half, to be done correctly. He stated there is a million and a half dollars of the ten million dollars of bond money remaining available for state park activities, and suggesting that \$680,000 be earmarked for the Indian Lake project. He stated \$125,000 would be used in the next couple of years to make the area more useable.

Testimony was concluded on AB 701

AB 718 - INCREASES SALARY OF COUNTY OFFICERS
IN PERSHING COUNTY

ASSEMBLYMAN VIRGIL GETTO

Mr. Getto advised the Committee the Bill is at the request of the County Commissioners who feel the salaries of elected officials is in the wrong category. He stated the Sheriff and District Attorney's office have a tremendous load because they are on the Freeway and have a transient situation. He stated there is a great deal of mining activity in Pershing County and the Recorder has a tremendous load also. He stated there was a lot of support from the community for the Bill.

Testimony was concluded on AB 701.

Chairman Dini called for a recess and upon convening of the Committee, Dr. Robinson called the meeting to order as Vice-Chairman.

AB 704 - AMENDS COMSTOCK HISTORIC DISTRICT ACT AND
AUTHORIZES COUNTIES TO ESTABLISH HISTORIC
DISTRICTS

ASSEMBLYMAN JOE DINI

Assemblyman Dini advised the Committee there's been quite a bit of interest in the Comstock area about the present make-up of the Comstock Historic District Board and the way their functions are being carried out in the area. Mr. Dini stated a group of people from Comstock approached him to discuss some alterations that might be made to the Board, the powers of the Board, and up-dating it because it hadn't been looked at for several years. Mr. Dini explained to the Committee he went to the people to determine the problem and went a second time to obtain specific recommendations. He stated at first the recommendation was to abolish the Historic District completely and allow each county to create one. Mr. Dini stated the Bill is a result of the last meeting he had with the people in the Comstock Historic District. He advised the first part of the Bill changes the composition of the Board as constituted now; they propose to put a County Commissioner from Storey and Lyon County on the Board to effect more cooperation between the local governments and the historic district. Mr. Dini advised because the work load has increased they propose another licensed architect. Mr. Dini then went on to elaborate on some technical changes that were being made.

A discussion ensued between the Committee and Mr. Dini concerning Mr. Craddock's suggestion that a structural engineer was needed as well as an architect. Mr. Craddock stated his suggestion is a result of his visiting Virginia City and seeing the condition of some of the buildings.

RUSSELL McDONALD, inactive member Comstock Historic Comm.

Mr. McDonald advised the Committee it was suggested line 13 on page 2 with respect to the opposed new membership might cause a conflict with respect to receipt of possible federal funds in that if the Administrator was designated by the Governor to serve in that capacity, he would then have to approve any applications. He stated it was suggested someone else serve in that capacity; i.e., one member at large who is not a member of the district. He also suggested with respect to the general section of the Bill which would allow all counties to create historic districts there should be language added to cure the present defect in regard to tax incentives for rehabilitation.

JOANNE McLACHLAN, Admin. Ass't. Storey County
Board of Commissioners

Miss McLachlan advised the Committee that with the restructuring of the Board it was the consensus of opinion a greater degree of cooperation could be effected. She stated the Bill as drafted is a very acceptable piece of legislation.

DIANE GORDON, Secretary, Comstock Historic Commission

Mrs. Gordon advised the Committee the Commission is making a difference in preserving the Comstock. She stated the Bill reflects the feelings of the residents. She stated in regard to historic preservation and archeology she hoped there was no conflict because that office has been of incredible service to the Commission.

ED MALONEY, Lyon County Commissioner

Mr. Maloney advised the Committee he lives in Dayton and they would like a little more control in Lyon County of the Dayton area. He said they would, in effect, like to freeze Dayton and not go for any wide-spread commercial development. He stated they thought they had the most precious jewel in the Comstock and wanted to do everything possible to maintain it.

BOB WARREN, Executive Secretary, Nev. Mining Assn.

Mr. Warren called the attention of the Committee to section 15, page 4, line 48 which permits counties to create a new historic district. Mr. Warren stated his Association recognizes that Nevada's historic mining towns are great assets and attractions and were concerned about revitalization of certain mining areas if the area were created as a historic site and therefore preserved from further mining. He stated it appears that after you have mined for a certain number of years you become historic and any new mining is a threat. He requested the Committee to consider on page 6, at the end of line 15, adding language that the section is not intended to discourage minimal exploration, development, and extraction of mineral resources.

JOHN MEDER, Admin., Division of State Parks

Mr. Meder stated they have no objection to the legis-

lation. He advised the Committee the Comstock Historic District became a part of the Division of State Parks. He stated the group does not feel they need to be associated with State Parks. Mr. Meder stated they are doing a good job on their own and State Parks would like another amendment be added to the Bill which change N.R.S. 384.040 deleting that section, the last two lines of which says the Commission is hereby created within the Division of State Parks and Dept. of Conservation & Natural Resources.

The testimony was concluded on AB 704.

COMMITTEE ACTION:

AB 275 - Mr. Jeffrey moved INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT; seconded by Mr. Bergevin, and carried; Dr. Robinson abstaining.

AB 472 - Mr. Fitzpatrick moved INDEFINITE POSTPONEMENT; seconded by Mr. Harmon, and unanimously carried.

SB 136 - Mr. Bergevin moved DO PASS; seconded by Mr. Getto, and unanimously carried.

SB 147 - Mr. Getto moved DO PASS; seconded by Mr. Marvel, and unanimously carried.

AB 701 - Mr. Getto moved AMEND and DO PASS; seconded by Mr. Bergevin, and unanimously carried; and REFER TO WAYS & MEANS. Mr. Bedrosian and Mr. Fitzpatrick abstained.

AB 704 - Mr. Marvel moved AMEND and DO PASS; seconded by Mr. Getto, and unanimously carried.

AB 609 - Mr. Harmon moved AMEND and DO PASS; seconded by Mr. Getto, and unanimously carried.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the same was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Shatzman
Assembly Attache

GUEST LIST

IF YOU WISH TO SPEAK

NAME

REPRESENTING

Pro Con

(Please print)

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>REPRESENTING</u>	Pro	Con
	NINI RADDEN	NPAH		
	Pete Marcos	DCNR		
1	[unclear]	[unclear]		
2	[unclear]	[unclear]		
3	Gerald McHarwood	Benstocke Historic Exp Comm	✓	
5	Tom Carter	" " " "	✓	[initials]
6	Doris B. May	" " " "	✓	[initials]
7	Bob Warren	New Mining Assoc		?
	JOHN MEDER	STATE TAXES		
	Ed Maloney Maloney	Fyn Co Commissioner	✓	
	John Meder			

TO: The Government Affairs Committee

FROM: Mimi Rodden, Administrator
Historic Preservation & Archeology

I have been asked to provide a brief description of two bills that you will hear Tuesday morning, April 17. If you wish additional information, please contact me.

S.B. 136

This Bill proposes to modify Nevada Revised Statutes as they pertain to the Advisory Board for Historic Preservation and Archeology. To ensure continued compliance with federal regulations, the composition and qualifications of the Advisory Board members have been clarified. Terms of office and expiration dates for the Board members are set, and the appointment process re-defined.

(NO FISCAL IMPACT)

S.B. 147

This Bill allows for the establishment of a register of places important in the pre-history and history of Nevada. Legislative recognition of these resources via the state register process will be a source of local and individual pride. Listing on the state register will serve to make citizens more aware of other significant properties in the state. This Bill removes the Division of Historic Preservation from the designation of state parks and landmarks and the Division of State Parks from the designation of historical landmarks, historical buildings and archeological areas. Clarification is provided that delineates State Parks' responsibility toward state register properties.

(NO FISCAL IMPACT)