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Senate Committee on Commerce and Labor

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The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. in Room 213.

Senator Wilson in the Chair.

PRESENT: Chairman Wilson

Vice Chairman Blakemore Senator Don Ashworth Senator McCorkle Senator Close Senator Young Senator Hernstadt

ALSO PRESENT: See attached list.

Chairman Wilson introduced Betty Kalicki as Committee Secretary.

Chairman Wilson then brought the Committee Rules to the attention of the Committee members. Discussion followed whereby Rules, 5, 6 and 9 were amended. Copy attached.

Senator Blakemore moved adoption of the rules as amended.

Senator Young seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Wilson mentioned that the Committee's regular meetings would be on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays after General File, but since the Committee has 3 members traveling to Las Vegas on weekends it will avoid Friday meetings until the Session gets tighter. If necessary the Committee will stack the work on Mondays and Wednesdays. The Committee will meet at 1:30 p.m. until there is an afternoon General File, at which time the Committee will meet after P.M. Adjournment.

Chairman Wilson announced that he had set the following Senate Bills up for hearing Monday, January 29, 1979:

- SB 14 Regulates use of automatic dialing and announcing devices on telephones.
- SB 10 Narrows definition of unethical conduct in profession of optometry.
- SB 29 Narrows definition of unethical or unprofessional conduct in profession of optometry.

Senator Hernstadt stated that Senator Faiss wished to be present when the optometric bills were heard. He asked if the bills could be held a couple of weeks so that Senior Citizens from all over the state could be here. It was decided to hold <u>SB 10</u> and <u>SB 29</u> for two weeks.

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Chairman Wilson announced that he had set the following Senate Bills up for hearing Wednesday, January 24, 1979:

- SB 4 Prohibits bail bondsmen from making campaign contributions for or against election of candidates for certain public offices.
- SB 11 Amends provisions for obligations and assessments of Nevada Life and Health Imsurance Guaranty Association.
- SB 21 Requires written cost estimate at time of funeral arrangements
- SB 28 Removes requirement that state banks close on weekends.

Senator Hernstadt mentioned that the Judicial College is meeting in Reno Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and that about 50 judges from all over the state would be there and that it would be difficult for them to testify on SB 4. Since Senator Hernstadt will be at these meetings it was decided that he could hear any testimony and, if necessary the Committee could have a continued hearing.

Chairman Wilson suggested that the Committee set up an afternoon of general hearings on recommendations for energy policy, both by the Public Service Commission and by the Department of Energy and by any utilities who want to participate. Should have some kind of review process over the agencies and departments it has jurisdiction over as to their operation and objectives.

Senator Hernstadt stated that it might be a good idea to have such a review session of the Nevada Industrial Commission.

Action was taken on the following BDRs which were referred to this Committee for Committee introduction.

BDR 10-418^{*} Disclaimers of property interest clarifying procedures of requirements for valid disclaimers verifications of disclaimers and waivers of the right to disclaim and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

BDR 40-417 Permits dentists to be members of the staffs of physicians for county hospitals.

Senator Blakemore moved for Committee introduction of BDR 40-417.

Senator Young seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

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BDR 10-196 Referred to Judiciary Committee.

BDR 51-342 Creates the Metric System Advisory Council relates to weights and measurements.

> There was a great deal of discussion about whether or not to have the Committee introduce this BDR. It was finally decided to introduce it.

Senator Young moved for Committee introduction.

Senator Hernstadt seconded the motion.

Senators Blakemore, Ashworth and McCorkle voted "No" on the motion

Motion carried.

There was considerable discussion as to find out where BDRs come There are supposed to be indexes for all of the Senators.

AT THIS TIME SENATOR CLOSE WAS CALLED OUT OF THE ROOM.

After Senator Close returned, Chairman Wilson asked that the vote be rescinded until the reference of BDR 51342's title number can be located.

BDR 55-122 Provides for the registration of trade marks, trade names and service marks. Provides registration prohibiting certain acts providing civil remedies for infringement or dilution providing other matters proproperly relating.

Senator Young moved for Committee introduction.

Senator Hernstadt seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

BDR 55-103 The issuers of certain instruments providing for flexible bond amounts for certain issuers of instruments and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Hernstadt moved for Committee introduction.

Senator Young seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

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BDR 56-543 Relates to Savings and Loan Associations from moving the upper limit on the number of Directors and providing others properly relating thereto.

Senator Blakemore moved for Committee introduction.

BDR 57-89 Relating to insurance. Requiring coverage for treatment for the abuse of alcohol in group insurance policies, creating a temporary advisory task force providing other matters properly relating thereto.

> This BDR came from Senator Echols. It was decided to refer it back to him.

BDR 57-94 Coverage for the treatment for the abuse of drugs in health insurance policies and providing for other matters properly relating thereof.

Senator Young moved for Committee introduction.

Senator Blakemore seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

Wilson, Chairman

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SENATE Commerce and Labor COMMITTEE

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COMMITTEE RULES - 60th SESSION

COMMERCE AND LABOR

- 1. Four members constitute a quorum of the Committee.
- Motions will be made, seconded and passed by a simple majority of those present, except that disposable action ("Do Pass" or "Hold") on a bill will require a majority of the entire Committee.
- 3. In order to reconsider previous action taken an affirma tive vote of 5 members of the Committee will be required. However, a majority may allow the hearing of new evidence or information which would be pertinent to the determination of whether or not a matter or an action should be reconsidered.
- 4. Mason's Manual will be followed as to parlimentary procedure.
- 5. Any member of the Committee may request an item on the agenda by contacting the Committee Chairman 4 days ahead of the Committee meeting.
- 6. Committee bill introduction will be only by approval of the majority of the Committee or members of the Committee as a whole. Committee introduction does not imply in any way a commitment on the part of any Committee member to support the bill introduced.
- 7. No Committee action on bills or resolutions during a hearing.
- 8. The Secretary shall record the action of the Committee by recording all votes taken.
- 9. Minority report can be filed with the Secretary of the Senate at the same time the Committee action is reported. The members who desire to submit a minority report must so indicate in advance to the entire Committee.
- 10. Committee Recesses: Recesses shall be at the call of the Chair.