

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. in Room 213
Senator Thomas R. C. Wilson in the chair.

PRESENT: Senator Thomas R. C. Wilson, Chairman
Senator Richard Blakemore
Senator Don Ashworth
Senator Clifford E. McCorkle
Senator Melvin D. Close
Senator Cliff Young
Senator William Hernstadt

ABSENT: None

ALSO Mr. David Thompson, Division of Real Estate
PRESENT: Mr. Wayne Tetrault, Mobile Home Agency
Ms. Linda Terry, Silver Hills Mobile Sales
Mr. Bruce Robb, Nevada Manufactured Housing Association
Mr. Daryl E. Capurro, Nevada Franchised Auto Dealers
Mr. Robert F. Guinn, Nevada Franchised Auto Dealers
Ms. Helen Close, Travelers, Incorporated
Ms. Theresa Bernardini, Morgan Drive Away
Mr. John Ciardella, Department of Motor Vehicles
Mr. Richard Hoy, Nevada Manufactured Housing Association
Mr. Jack Kenney, Southern Nevada Home Builders

SB 173 Establishes the manufactured housing division.

Wayne Tetrault, Administrator, Mobile Home Agency, Department of Commerce, stated that SB 173 created a manufactured housing division in the Commerce Department; but that it is actually giving name status to an existing agency. Mr. Tetrault explained that the Mobile Home Agency has existed since 1973, and was formerly a part of the Fire Marshal's Division. Presently it has 9 employees, 22 agents working in the field, and annual budget of \$200,000. Mr. Tetrault suggested that on Page 3, Line 49, "vehicle" be changed to "mobile home". He stated that the purpose of licensing is to protect the consumer.

Chairman Wilson asked how many dealers of manufactured housing there are in Nevada. Mr. Tetrault answered that there are about 114 dealers and 90 manufacturing firms from other states licensed in Nevada, with Nevada having no manufacturers.

Senator Hernstadt referred to Sections 18, 19 and 20, and asked what would be grounds for disciplinary action. Mr. Tetrault explained that a substantial misrepresentation would include such things as deliberately misquoting price, size and quality. Mr. Tetrault further explained that Section 24 would give the Division the authority to act on complaints. He continued that Sections 27 through 36 would establish an education and recovery fund. He stated that SB 173 is based on NRS 645, which is a real estate act. Mr. Tetrault explained that Sections 45 through 63 would transfer the providing of titles of mobile homes from the Department of Motor Vehicles to the Mobile Home Agency. He

clarified that the title would be the same as a title to a house. Mr. Tetrault suggested that Lines 16 through 20 of Page 13 be deleted which would mean that when a dealer takes a mobile home in on trade, he is not required to transfer the title into his name. He explained that Section 56 would protect the consumer from dishonest dealers. Mr. Tetrault's next suggestion was to delete Subsection 2., because there would be no need to define "travel trailer". Finally, Mr. Tetrault suggested that in Sections 79 through 94, "division" replace "department".

Senator McCorkle asked why the state should have anything to do with mobile home licensing except for quality control in manufacturing.

Mr. Tetrault explained that without state level regulations there would be a prevalence of "hard sells", misrepresentations, and other abuses. He stressed that mobile homes are homes and not small investments. Mr. Tetrault explained that one of the most important duties of the Division is to assure the consumer that mobile homes brought into the state meet its standards.

John Ciardella, representing the Department of Motor Vehicles, testified that in 1972 the Department was under criticism from people claiming that mobile homes were nothing but fire traps. He explained that the Fire Marshal was given the responsibility for the inspection, and that the Mobile Home Division evolved from that. Mr. Ciardella stated that if SB 173 passed, the responsibility of licensing the dealer would pass from the Department of Motor Vehicles to the newly-created division where it belongs. Mr. Ciardella suggested that "32 feet" and "40 feet" be deleted from the language on Page 19. Mr. Ciardella presented proposed language changes to SB 173 (see Exhibit A).

Mr. Richard Hoy, President, Nevada Manufacturing Housing Association, stated that the Association supports SB 173. In answer to Senator McCorkle's question, Mr. Hoy explained that mobile homes now comprise one third of all the housing in Nevada. He stated that this kind of regulation is needed. Mr. Hoy suggested that on Page 3, Line 34, "a service department or contractual agreement with an established service company" be added.

Section 15 was discussed. Mr. Hoy stated that his concern would be what penalties could be provided for those realtors who fail to meet the requirements, since they wouldn't have a license.

Mr. Tetrault stated that under this section of a limited real estate license, the licensee would be subject to every right, privilege and disciplinary action that a regular mobile home dealer is.

In reply to Senator McCorkle's question, Mr. Hoy answered that there must be licensing control to safeguard the standards and reputations of dealers, and, at the same time protect the consumers. He explained that the people who do the pulling, hooking up and servicing of mobile homes, must be specially trained

and therefore should be controlled. He stated that this legislation would provide that mobile homes from other states and their transactions would have to meet Nevada's standards. Mr. Hoy questioned Page 6, Line 39, in that he felt a licensee would not have the protection of due process from investigations resulting from complaints. He said this would also apply on Page 7, Line 18.

Mr. Tetrault agreed that Lines 18 through 22 of Page 7 should be deleted.

Ms. Linda Terry, representing Silver Hills Mobile Home Sales, stated that the industry's image of itself is the seller of single family dwellings, and not the seller of tin boxes. She continued that licensing the sellers, service people and truck drivers will upgrade the industry.

Bruce Robb, Attorney, representing the Nevada Manufactured Housing Association, state that Senate Bill 173 represents the mobile housing industry asking the state to sanction its licensing. Mr. Robb suggested that both groups meet in order to come to mutual agreement.

Daryl E. Capurro, representing the Nevada Franchised Auto Dealers' Association, concurred with Mr. Ciardella's recommendation regarding length restrictions, and that recreational vehicles be left with the Department of Motor Vehicles for licensing purposes as far as dealer are concerned. He stated that NRS 482.172 and NRS 489.150 conform with each other, so that there would be no conflict about the definition of a travel trailer. Mr. Capurro stated that the language bracketed out in Lines 25 and 26 of Page 19, should be left in.

Jack Kenney, representing Southern Nevada Home Builders', stated that Lines 12 through 17 of Page 23, be left as the present statute stands because the proposed language in the amendment is too permissive. Mr. Kenney suggested that Nevada require all units coming into Nevada meet the standards of California, which has a very strict mobile housing code.

Senator Blakemore disagreed, stating that Nevada's codes are much stricter.

Mr. Kenney suggested that a study committee be created involving all parties concerned, including the State Contractors' Board. He state that, speaking for the home builders, he is opposed to so many regulations.

Chairman Wilson continued the public hearing on Senate Bill 173 until the afternoon.

Chairman Wilson called a 10-minute recess. The meeting resumed at 3:40 p.m. in Room 213.

SB 29 Narrows definition of unethical or unprofessional conduct in the profession of optometry.

Senator Hernstadt stated that, considering the similarity of Senate Bills Numbers 10 and 29, if it were the wish of the Committee, he would be perfectly willing for SB 10 to be the one processed.

Senator Blakemore moved that SB 29 be indefinitely postponed.

Senator Ashworth seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously

SB 10 Narrows definition of unethical conduct in the profession of optometry.

There was discussion about leasing and sub-leasing; and the danger of the possibility of pressure from the lessor.

Chairman Wilson stated that there were 2 issues to consider, which are as follows: one, should an optometrist operate in a commercial or mercantile space in a department store; and two, should there be language that would prevent the lessor from using any kind of pressure on the lessee? It was agreed that, in accordance with the Federal Trade Commission, advertising should be allowed.

After further discussion, Chairman Wilson concluded that the contractor should be independent of any lessor, and that any percent of income or revenue could not go to the lessor.

Senator Hernstadt moved that SB 10 be passed out of Committee with "Amend and Do Pass".

Senator Young seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

SB 60 Prohibits public utilities from cutting off certain services to the elderly in winter.

Senator Hernstadt moved that SB 60 be indefinitely postponed.

Senator Young seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

SB 94 Prohibits licensing board from specifying day of week closure of barber shops.

SB 94 (Continued)

Discussion followed with Senator Hernstadt referring to an unsolicited letter of support for SB 94 (see Exhibit B).

Senator Hernstadt moved that SB 94 be passed out of Committee with "Do Pass".

Senator Young seconded the motion.

Motion carried with Senators Ashworth, Blakemore and Close dissenting.

SB 95 Permits agent of prescriber to transmit prescription by oral order.

There was discussion as to which drugs fall in certain schedules. It was decided to amend the bill with language that would be supplied by George Bennett.

Senator Young moved that SB 95 be passed out of Committee for amendments, and re-referred to Committee.

Senator Hernstadt seconded the motion.

Motion carried with Senator Blakemore dissenting.

SB 93 Changes coverage for treatment of drug abuse in health insurance policies.

Senator Hernstadt moved that SB 93 be indefinitely postponed.

Senator Ashworth seconded the motion.

Motion carried with Senator Blakemore dissenting.

SB 137 Requires substitution of less expensive drugs under certain circumstances.

Discussion followed as to the definition of a formulary. It was decided to continue SB 137 in lieu of more information from George Bennett.

SB 152 Removes time limit for suspension of certain schedules by Public Service Commission of Nevada

SB 152 (Continued)

Senator Ashworth moved that SB 152 be indefinitely postponed.

Senator McCorkle seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

SB 170 Enables board of hearing aid specialists to establish continuing educational requirements for licensees and prohibits others from practicing.

It was decided to defer action on SB 170 to a later date.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Kalicki
Betty Kalicki, Secretary

APPROVED:

Thomas R. C. Wilson, Chairman

482.127 "Travel trailer" defined. "Travel trailer" means a portable structure mounted on wheels, constructed on a vehicular-type chassis primarily designed as temporary living quarters for recreational, camping or travel use and designed to be drawn by another vehicle. When equipped for highway use, the structure may not exceed 8 feet in width (nor 40 feet in body length). and designated by the manufacturer to be a travel trailer.

4353 Alderbrook Court
Las Vegas, NV 89103
February 9, 1979

Senator William Hernstadt
Capitol Mail Complex
Carson City, NV 89710

Dear Senator Hernstadt:

We were delighted to read of your bill to open barber shops on Sunday and are in complete support of it. In a seven-day-a-week city like Las Vegas, this service is sorely needed.

Although some shops may not wish to open on Sunday, it should be left to the option of the barber shop owner. Shops, such as those located in the hotels, should be allowed to be open on Sunday if they so desire.

We have a cleaning service twice a week at night, which would not interfere with being open on Sunday. Any shop wishing to be open on Sunday could make similar arrangements.

Again, we enthusiastically support your bill to allow barber shops to remain open on Sundays.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Harold Winterman

Mrs. Harold Winterman

for Harold Winterman

SENATE BILL NO. 173—COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE
AND LABOR

FEBRUARY 1, 1979

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Establishes the manufactured housing division. (BDR 43-304)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: No.

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

AN ACT relating to manufactured housing and mobile homes; establishing the manufactured housing division in the department of commerce; providing for its organization, administration, powers, duties and functions; providing penalties; 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. Chapter 489 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 65, inclusive, of this act.

3 SEC. 2. "Administrator" means the chief of the manufactured hous-
4 ing division.

5 SEC. 3. "Division" means the manufactured housing division of the
6 department of commerce.

7 SEC. 4. "Dwelling" means one or more habitable rooms which are
8 designed to be occupied by one family with facilities for living, sleeping,
9 cooking and eating.

10 SEC. 5. "Installation" means the complete operation of fixing in place
11 a mobile home or commercial coach for occupancy.

12 SEC. 6. "Movement" means the act of towing, pushing or otherwise
13 propelling a mobile home or commercial coach upon a highway or road,
14 whether or not any part of the mobile home or commercial coach
15 touches the highway or road.

16 SEC. 7. The provisions of this chapter shall be administered by the
17 division, subject to administrative supervision by the director.

18 SEC. 8. The administrator shall:

19 1. Possess a broad knowledge of generally accepted management
20 practices and be reasonably well informed on laws governing mobile
21 homes, travel trailers and commercial coaches.

22 2. Not be interested in any firm which sells, manufactures, rebuilds
23 or services any mobile home, travel trailer or commercial coach or

SENATE BILL NO. 10—SENATORS NEAL AND FAISS

JANUARY 16, 1979

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Narrows definition of unethical conduct in profession of optometry.
(BDR 54-653)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: No.

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

AN ACT relating to optometry; narrowing the definition of unethical conduct; 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 636.300 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 636.300 ~~["The"]~~ *Any of the* following acts ~~["], or any of them, on the~~
3 ~~part of"]~~ by the licensee ~~["], shall constitute"]~~ *constitutes* unethical or
4 unprofessional conduct:
5 1. Association as an optometrist with any person, firm or corpora-
6 tion violating this chapter.
7 2. Accepting employment, directly or indirectly, from a person or
8 persons not licensed to practice optometry in this state for the purpose
9 of assisting him or them in such practice or enabling him or them to
10 engage therein.
11 3. Making a house-to-house canvass, either in person or by another
12 or other persons, for the purpose of advertising, selling or soliciting the
13 sale of eyeglasses, frames, lenses, mountings, or optometric examinations
14 or services.
15 4. Division of fees with another optometrist except for services based
16 on division of service or responsibility.
17 5. Division of fees or any understanding or arrangement with any
18 person not an optometrist.
19 6. Employing any person to solicit house-to-house for the sale of
20 eyeglasses, frames, lenses, mountings, or optometric examinations or
21 services.
22 7. Circulating or publishing, directly or indirectly, any false, fraudu-
23 lent or misleading statement as to his method of practice or skill of any
24 other licensee.

SENATE BILL NO. 60—SENATORS NEAL AND FAISS

JANUARY 19, 1979

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Prohibits public utilities from cutting off certain services to elderly in winter. (BDR 58-557)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: No.

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

AN ACT relating to public utilities; prohibiting public utilities from discontinuing the provision of gas or electric service to the elderly during the winter; 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 704.040 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 704.040 1. Every public utility is required to furnish reasonably
3 adequate service and facilities, and the charges made for any service
4 rendered or to be rendered, or for any service in connection therewith
5 or incidental thereto, [shall] *must* be just and reasonable.
6 2. Every unjust and unreasonable charge for service of public util-
7 ities is prohibited and declared to be unlawful.
8 3. *Between November 1 and May 1, a public utility which provides*
9 *the service of electric power or gas shall not discontinue either of these*
10 *services to the residence of any person who is 62 years of age or older*
11 *and who lives alone or as the head of a household for his failure to pay*
12 *for the service.*

SENATE BILL NO. 29—SENATOR HERNSTADT

JANUARY 17, 1979

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Narrows definition of unethical or unprofessional conduct in profession of optometry. (BDR 54-192)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: No.

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

AN ACT relating to optometry; narrowing the definition of unethical or unprofessional conduct; 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 636.300 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 2 636.300 The following acts, or any of them, on the part of the
- 3 licensee, [shall] constitute unethical or unprofessional conduct:
- 4 1. Association as an optometrist with any person, firm or corpora-
- 5 tion violating this chapter.
- 6 2. [Accepting employment, directly or indirectly, from a person or
- 7 persons not licensed to practice optometry in this state for the purpose of
- 8 assisting him or them in such practice or enabling him or them to engage
- 9 therein.
- 10 3.] Making a house-to-house canvass, either in person or by another
- 11 or other persons, for the purpose of advertising, selling or soliciting the
- 12 sale of eyeglasses, frames, lenses, mountings, or optometric examinations
- 13 or services.
- 14 [4.] 3. Division of fees with another optometrist except for services
- 15 based on division of service or responsibility.
- 16 [5.] 4. Division of fees or any understanding or arrangement with
- 17 any person not an optometrist.
- 18 [6.] 5. Employing any person to solicit house-to-house for the sale
- 19 of eyeglasses, frames, lenses, mountings, or optometric examinations or
- 20 services.
- 21 [7.] 6. Circulating or publishing, directly or indirectly, any false,
- 22 fraudulent or misleading statement as to his method of practice or skill,
- 23 or the method of practice or skill of any other licensee.

SENATE BILL NO. 94—SENATOR HERNSTADT

JANUARY 24, 1979

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Prohibits licensing board from specifying day of week for closure of barbershops. (BDR 54-185)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: No.

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

AN ACT relating to barbers; prohibiting the licensing board from specifying a particular day of the week on which barbershops must remain closed; 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 643.200 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 2 643.200 1. It [shall be] *is* unlawful for any barber or apprentice:
- 3 (a) Knowingly to continue the practice of barbering, or for any stu-
- 4 dent knowingly to continue as a student in any school or college of bar-
- 5 bering while such person has an infectious, contagious or communicable
- 6 disease.
- 7 (b) To use upon one patron a towel that has been used upon another
- 8 patron unless and until the towel has been relaundered.
- 9 (c) Not to provide the headrest on each chair with a relaundered towel
- 10 or a sheet of clean paper for each patron.
- 11 (d) Not to place around the patron's neck a strip of cotton, towel or
- 12 neckband so that the hair cloth does not come in contact with the neck or
- 13 skin of the patron's body.
- 14 (e) To use in the practice of barbering any styptic pencils, finger
- 15 bowls, sponges, lump alum or powder puffs. Possession of a styptic pencil,
- 16 finger bowl, sponge, lump alum or powder puff in a barbershop is prima
- 17 facie evidence that [the same] *it* is being used therein the practice of
- 18 barbering.
- 19 (f) To use on any patron any razors, scissors, tweezers, combs, rubber
- 20 discs or parts of vibrators used on another patron, unless the [same be]
- 21 *utensil is* kept in a closed compartment and immersed in boiling water or
- 22 in a solution of 2 percent carbolic acid, or its equivalent, before each such
- 23 use.

SENATE BILL NO. 95—SENATORS FORD AND ECHOLS

JANUARY 24, 1979

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Permits agent of prescriber to transmit prescription by oral order. (BDR 54-634)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: No.

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

AN ACT relating to pharmacy; permitting an agent of a prescriber to transmit a prescription by oral order; prohibiting false personation as an authorized agent; providing a penalty; 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. Chapter 639 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
- 2 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 and 3 of this act.
- 3 SEC. 2. 1. *A prescription must be given:*
- 4 (a) *Directly from the prescriber to a pharmacist;*
- 5 (b) *Indirectly by means of an order signed by the prescriber; or*
- 6 (c) *By an oral order transmitted by an authorized agent of the pre-*
- 7 *scriber.*
- 8 2. *A prescription must contain:*
- 9 (a) *The name and address of the prescriber;*
- 10 (b) *The classification of his license;*
- 11 (c) *The name and address of the patient;*
- 12 (d) *The name and quantity of the drug or drugs prescribed;*
- 13 (e) *Directions for use; and*
- 14 (f) *The date of issue.*
- 15 3. *The directions for use must be specific in that they indicate the*
- 16 *portion of the body to which the medication is to be applied or, if to be*
- 17 *taken into the body by means other than orally, the orifice or canal of*
- 18 *the body into which the medication is to be inserted or injected.*
- 19 SEC. 3 *It is unlawful for any person falsely to represent himself as an*
- 20 *authorized agent of a physician, dentist, podiatrist or veterinarian entitled*
- 21 *to write prescriptions in this state, for the purpose of transmitting to a*
- 22 *pharmacist an order for a prescription*

SENATE BILL NO. 93—COMMITTEE ON
COMMERCE AND LABOR

JANUARY 23, 1979

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Changes coverage for treatment of drug abuse
in health insurance policies. (BDR 57-94)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State and on Industrial Insurance: No.

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

AN ACT relating to insurance; changing coverage for treatment for the abuse
of drugs in health insurance policies; 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. Chapter 689A of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section which shall read as follows:
3 1. *The annual benefits provided by individual health insurance poli-*
4 *cies, as required by subsection 9 of NRS 689A.030, for the treatment*
5 *of drug abuse must consist of:*
6 (a) *If the policies provide inpatient benefits, room and board in a*
7 *hospital for a period of not less than 5 days and all the necessary services,*
8 *supplies, laboratory tests and X-rays which may be required during that*
9 *period.*
10 (b) *If the policies provide inpatient benefits, inpatient treatment in a*
11 *health and care facility, as defined in NRS 449.007, or in a treatment*
12 *facility certified by the bureau of alcohol and drug abuse in the rehabilita-*
13 *tion division of the department of human resources pursuant to NRS*
14 *458.025, for a minimum of 30 days with a maximum benefit of \$1,000.*
15 (c) *If the policies provide major medical coverage, outpatient treat-*
16 *ment in a facility described in paragraph (b) for at least 52 visits with a*
17 *maximum benefit of \$800. If a patient has received inpatient treatment*
18 *pursuant to paragraph (b), treatment under this paragraph must com-*
19 *mence within 7 days after the completion of the inpatient treatment.*
20 2. *An insured is entitled to:*
21 (a) *Two courses of treatment, as described in subsection 1; and*

SENATE BILL NO. 152—SENATOR NEAL

JANUARY 30, 1979

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Removes time limit for suspension of certain schedules by public service commission of Nevada. (BDR 58-287)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: No

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

AN ACT relating to regulation of public utilities; removing time limit for suspension of certain schedules by the public service commission of Nevada; 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 704.110 is hereby amended to read as follows:
1. Whenever there is filed with the commission any schedule stating a new or revised individual or joint rate, fare or charge, or any new or revised individual or joint regulation or practice affecting any rate, fare or charge, or any schedule resulting in a discontinuance, modification or restriction of service, the commission may, either upon complaint or upon its own motion without complaint, at once, and if it so orders, without answer or formal pleading by the interested utility or utilities, enter upon an investigation or, upon reasonable notice, enter upon a hearing concerning the propriety of such rate, fare, charge, classification, regulation, discontinuance, modification, restriction or practice.
2. Pending the investigation or hearing and the decision thereon, the commission, upon delivering to the utility or utilities affected thereby a statement in writing of its reasons for the suspension, may suspend the operation of such schedule and defer the use of the rate, fare, charge, classification, regulation, discontinuance, modification, restriction or practice. [, but not for a longer period than 150 days beyond the time when the rate, fare, charge, classification, regulation, discontinuance, modification, restriction or practice would otherwise go into effect.]
3. Whenever there is filed with the commission any schedule stating an increased individual or joint rate, fare or charge for service or equipment, the public utility shall submit with its application a statement showing the recorded results of revenues, expenses, investments and costs of