

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m. in Room 213.
Vice Chairman Senator Richard E. Blakemore in the chair,

PRESENT: Senator Richard E. Blakemore
Senator Clifford E. McCorkle
Senator C. Clifton Young
Senator William H. Hernstadt

ABSENT: Senator Thomas R. C. Wilson, Chairman
Senator Don Ashworth
Senator Melvin D. Close

OTHERS

PRESENT: See attached guest list page 1A.

AB 843 Regulates practice of photogrammetry.

Reese Harper, representing the Nevada Association of Land Surveyors and Maurice E. Lafferty, representing the American Society of Photogrammetry testified in support of AB 843. Mr. Harper explained that the Nevada Land Surveyors are in favor of the bill which would require photogrammatrists to be licensed.

Mr. Lafferty explained that in California there had been licensure for photogrammetry but recently the licensing has been eliminated.

Mr. Harper explained that when photogrammatrists draw maps they are practicing land surveying, which must be licensed.

Vice Chairman Blakemore closed the public hearing on AB 843.

AB 597 Enlarges permissible real estate holdings by banks.

Joe Sevigny, Superintendent of Banks, Nevada, testified in support of AB 597 which increases the limit for fixed assets. He explained that the fixed asset limitation is the amount of money that banks can invest in branches, their furniture, fixtures and computer equipment. He added that the present statute dates back past 1934 and is obsolete. He said that the present law is 60% of capital stock and permanent surplus. He stated that the Nevada bankers support the bill also. The bill would change the limitation to 60% of more accounts. He explained that California has eliminated their limitation entirely; they act on a safety and soundness principle which means that the superintendent of banks looks at the earnings of the bank and the cost of the fixed asset a makes a judgement based on that. Mr. Sevigny stated that Nevada is the 6th worst in the nation with regard to branching; there are about 5,100 people per branch as compared to 2,300 in South Dakota.

Vice Chairman Blakemore called a recess at 3:00 p.m. so that the Senators could attend the General File Session.

The meeting resumed at 6:00 p.m. with Chairman Wilson in the chair and Senator Young absent.

AB 781 Increases bond of cash deposit required of contractors.

John Madole, representing the Associated General Contractors, explained the bill to the Committee. He stated that it would raise the bonding on a contractor's license and would give the option to the contractor who has the license to post either treasury bonds or notes. He added that the bill would allow the contractors board, after 2 years, to relinquish the bond.

Tom Cooke, representing the State Contractors Board and John Brooke, representing the State Contractors Board testified in opposition to AB 781. Mr. Cooke explained that the amended bill is better than the original, however, after meeting with the contractors board today, his position is still in opposition.

Mr. Brooke answered Senator Ashworth that the highest bond the board has ever levied is \$20,000 in a case where the contractor had a poor track from the past. He added that the average bond is \$5,000. Mr. Brooke continued that this bill would be too hard on small contractors.

Chairman Wilson closed the public hearing on AB 781

AB 510 Provides for registration as architects or residential designers of certain persons with prior business experience in drafting or design.

Discussion: Senator Blakemore stated that AB 510 had been heard at a previous hearing when the Committee was a subcommittee of two. On May 18, 1979 the Committee had moved to Indefinitely Postpone the bill. It was decided that the Committee had not been sufficiently apprised of the bill's intent, therefore it was agreed to hear the bill again.

Senator Ashworth explained that the Committee had felt that 5 years was long enough for a person to be able to pass the test. Senator Close stated that the test is far too difficult, that one would have to be an architect to be able to pass it.

Bill Knobe, registered residential designer, reiterated his testimony of May 11, 1979. He explained that there are 2 designers on the State Board of Architects and 5 architects. He added that about 20 people have taken the test and 5 have passed it. He stated that if the bill passes 14 designers would be permanent residential designers.

Senator Ashworth observed that architects should not be able to dictate requirements for residential designers.

AB 510

Senator Blakemore moved that the previous action on AB 510 be reconsidered.

Seconded by Senator Ashworth.

Motion carried with Senator Young absent.

Senator Blakemore moved that AB 510 be passed out of Committee with a "Do Pass" recommendation.

Seconded by Senator Hernstadt.

Motion carried with Senator Young absent.

AB 781 Increases bond of cash deposit required of contractors.

Senator Hernstadt moved that AB 781 be "Indefinitely Postponed".

Seconded by Senator Ashworth.

Motion carried with Senator Young absent.

AB 191 Revises laws regulating psychologists.

Senator McCorkle moved that AB 191 be passed out of Committee with a "Do Pass" recommendation.

Seconded by Senator Blakemore.

Motion carried with Senator Young absent.

AB 843 Regulates practice of photogrammetry.

Discussion: Senator stated that this bill could be compared with AB 510.

Senator Herndstadt moved that AB 843 be "Indefinitely Postponed".

Seconded by Senator Balkemore.

Motion carried with Senator Young absent.

AJR 38 Favours merger of Pan American World Airways with National Airlines.

Discussion: The Committee discussed the validity of legislation when such a decision should be left to the airlines. Senator Blakemore explained that Pan American is an international airline with no domestic routes; they are trying to show, by merging with National that they are interested with domestic routes as well.

Senator Ashworth moved that AJR 38 be passed out of Committee with a "Do Pass" recommendation.

Seconded by Senator Hernstadt.

Motion carried with Senator Young.

AB 597 Enlarges permissible real estate holdings by banks.

Senator Hernstadt Moved that AB 597 be passed out of Committee with a "Do Pass" recommendation.

Seconded by Senator McCorkle.

Senator Ashworth abstained.

Motion carried with Senator Young absent.

AB 420 Makes various changes to law relating to cosmetology.

Senator Blakemore explained that this is basically a "housekeeping" bill. The Committee decided to keep the 10th grade education requirement; delete lines 22 through 25 of page 5.

Senator Blakemore moved that AB 420 be passed out of Committee with an "Amend and Do Pass" recommendation.

Seconded by Senator Close.

Senator Ashworth abstained.

Motion carried with Senator Young absent.

SB 568 Authorizes public service commission of Nevada to inspect records and property of affiliates of public utilities.

Senator Blakemore moved that SB 568 be "Indefinitely Postponed".

Seconded by Senator Close.

Motion carried with Senator Young absent.

AB 673 Revises provisions of law concerning podiatrists.

Senator Blakemore moved that AB 673
be passed out of Committee with a
"Do Pass" recommendation.

Seconded by Senator Close.

Motion carried with Senator Young absent.

Senator Blakemore moved to approve the
minutes of the Senate Committee on
Commerce and Labor for January 22, 1979
through May 25, 1979

Seconded by Senator Ashworth.

Motion carried with Senator Young absent.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

Betty L. Kalicki
Betty L. Kalicki, Secretary

APPROVED:

Thomas R. C. Wilson, Chairman

GUEST LIST

DATE: Friday, May 25, 1979

NAME	AGENCY OR ORGANIZATION
REECE HARPER	AB#843 NEV. ASSOC. OF LAND SURVEYORS
Maurice E. Lafferty	AB#843 American Society of Photogrammetry
Charles Miskulin	AB#843 Nevada Highway Department
JOHN MADOLE	AB781 ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS
Tom Cooke	AB 781 State Contractors Board
John Brooke	AB781 " " "
JACK KENNEY	AB 422 ^{50 NEV HOME BUILDERS} CONTRACTORS PLANNING BUREAU
Joe Sevigny	Superintendent of Banks, Nevada
Bill Knobe	Residential Designer