

MINUTES OF THE
MEETING OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE
ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

SIXTY-FIRST SESSION
NEVADA STATE LEGISLATURE
January 26, 1981

The Senate Committee on Government Affairs was called to order by Chairman James I. Gibson, at 2:13 p.m., Monday, January 26, 1981, in Room 243 of the Legislative Building, Carson City, Nevada. Exhibit A is the Meeting Agenda. Exhibit B is the Attendance Roster.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator James I. Gibson, Chairman
Senator Jean Ford, Vice Chairman
Senator Keith Ashworth
Senator Gene Echols
Senator Virgil Getto
Senator James N. Kosinski
Senator Sue Wagner

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. Arthur Palmer, Administrative Director
Mr. Frank Daykin, Legislative Counsel
Anne L. Lagé, Committee Secretary

SENATE BILL NO. 3

Creates interim committee of legislators to oversee data processing.

Chairman Gibson began by explaining that after the agenda had been posted, S. Barton Jacka, Legislative Liaison, advised him that there was further action to be taken on this bill. As it had already been scheduled and interested people had planned to attend, Chairman Gibson decided to let it remain on the agenda. After discussion, Chairman Gibson asked that this bill be delayed until a later time when more complete information would be available.

Mr. Frank Daykin, Legislative Counsel, addressed the committee regarding the following proposed corrective

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measures which needed to be explained so they could be introduced as bills by this committee:

BILL DRAFT REQUEST NO. 18-36 (S.B. 96)

Removes unsupported reference to time for review of regulations by legislative standing committees.

BILL DRAFT REQUEST NO. 24-38 (S.B. 95)

Removes conflicting statutory language respecting location of certain precinct meetings.

BILL DRAFT REQUEST NO. 24-39 (S.B. 94)

Removes statutory provisions which conflict with or duplicate constitutional provision relating to recall of public officers.

BILL DRAFT REQUEST NO. 31-40 (S.B. 93)

Makes statutory provisions consistent with state Treasurer's responsibility for certain investments.

BILL DRAFT REQUEST NO. S-101 (S.B. 92)

Removes obsolete reference to "United States postal savings banks" from law governing Las Vegas Valley Water District.

It was agreed upon by the committee that the above mentioned bills would be submitted for committee introduction.

Chairman Gibson noted that the companion measures Senate Bill No. 2 and Senate Joint Resolution No. 1 had been submitted as general requests. Mr. Daykin agreed to research information concerning the authors and report his findings to the committee secretary so that the interested parties could be contacted regarding future hearings on these bills.

General Engel, Nevada National Guard, presented the following two bills to the committee for their consideration:

The first bill had not been assigned a Bill Draft Request Number. The summary provided regarding this bill indicates

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that it would, "Change the status of the Civil Defense and Disaster Agency from a separate, independent department to that of a division of the Department of the Military".

BILL DRAFT REQUEST NO. 36-190 (S.B. 97)

Permits use of Nevada National Guard in search and rescue operations.

After explanation of these bills, it was agreed to submit them for committee introduction.

Chairman Gibson informed the committee that William D. Swackhamer, Secretary of State, had contacted him concerning several bills he had drafted which would come through this committee. They are as follows:

BILL DRAFT RESOLUTION 24-141 (S.B. 91)

Changing distribution of candidates' filing fees.

BILL DRAFT RESOLUTION 24-129 (S.B. 90)

Repeals obsolete reference to certification of nomination.

BILL DRAFT RESOLUTION 24-126 (S.B. 88)

Clarifies requirements for reporting campaign contributions and expenses.

BILL DRAFT RESOLUTION 18-318 (S.B. 89)

Deletes obsolete provisions regarding photocopy room of the Secretary of State.

It was agreed upon by the committee to submit these bills for committee introduction.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1

Adds joint rule limiting research, bill drafting and introduction of bills on reapportionment to certain committees.

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The committee discussed Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1 for better clarification. Senator Ford suggested that Mr. Andrew P. Grose, Research Director, set up a list of the material which he will be making available to everyone so that legislators will be aware of this information in advance, thus eliminating much duplication of research requests.

Senator Keith Ashworth asked Chairman Gibson to read the amended version of Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1. It now reads:

The Committee on Government Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on Elections of the Assembly are respectively responsible for measures which primarily affect the designation of the districts from which members are elected to the legislature. Any request for research concerning the population of proposed districts must be submitted to the Research Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau through one of the committees.

Senator Keith Ashworth moved "Amend and Do Pass" on Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1.

Senator Ford seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

Senator Ford brought up the problem that when a bill is amended, the original summary cannot be changed to correspond with the amended bill. Although the summary is not part of the bill, it was noted by Senator Ford that it very often is the first item read. Chairman Gibson suggested that it may be advisable to consider this problem in the future for a procedural change.

Chairman Gibson asked Senator Getto if he was ready to present his bills. It was tentatively agreed to place them on the agenda next Wednesday, February 4, 1981.

Senator Echols stated that he would notify Chairman Gibson when he was ready to present his bills.

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Chairman Gibson made note that the Committee on Government Affairs would hold a meeting on Friday, January 30, at 11:00 a.m.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Anne L. Lagé
Anne L. Lagé, Secretary

APPROVED BY:

James I. Gibson
Senator James I. Gibson, Chairman

DATE: January 27, 1981

SENATE AGENDA

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Committee on Government Affairs, Room 243.

Day Monday, Date January 26, Time 2 p.m.

S. B. No. 3--Creates interim committee of legislators to oversee data processing.

Senator Keith Ashworth, Chairman Legislative Commission.

Mr. Howard Barrett, Budget Director.

Mr. Arthur Palmer, Director, Legislative Counsel Bureau.

