

MINUTES OF THE
MEETING OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE
ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

SIXTY-FIRST SESSION
NEVADA STATE LEGISLATURE
May 15, 1981

The Senate Committee on Government Affairs was called to order by Chairman James I. Gibson, at 12:52 p.m., Friday May 15, 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 Kosinski
Senator Sue Wagner

GUEST LEGISLATORS:

Assemblyman Peggy Westall

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Fred Weldon, Senior Research Analyst
Anne Lage, Committee Secretary

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 520

Provides broader authority for making payroll deductions requested by state officers and employees.

Mr. Bob Gagnier, Executive Director State of Nevada Employees Association, testified that this bill was a corrective measure which they thought had been taken care of in 1975.

He explained that the Assembly felt that someone should have some rule making authority over the types of deductions, and how they would be done, so they added the language on lines 14 through 18 which would allow the state controller and the legislative auditor to adopt regulations to implement provisions of this section.

Mr. Mitch Bruce, State Personnel, testified that Personnel was in agreement with this bill as amended. It would put in the

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statutes practices which were currently being followed.

Senator Getto moved "Do Pass" on Assembly Bill No. 520.

Senator Wagner seconded the motion.

The motion carried. (Senator Ford was absent for the vote.)

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 495

Liberalizes provisions for destruction of certain public records by law enforcement agencies.

Mr. Larry Ketzenberger, Las Vegas Metro Police Department, testified that this bill was introduced at the request of the police department. It would allow the Metro Police Department to destroy copies of records upon their micro-filming or reproduction by computer. There had been a problem in having the record retention schedule published and available. However, the State Department of Archives had been working with the police department and it was felt that this problem would be resolved.

Mr. Guy Rocha, State Archivist, testified that they were in full agreement with this bill in its second reprint. Mr. Rocha stated that there had been certain conflicts in this bill with the current laws, but those conflicts had been corrected through the amendments.

Senator Wagner moved "Do Pass" on Assembly Bill No. 495.

Senator Getto seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 509

Provides for rotation of chairmanship of Airport Authority of Washoe County.

Mr. Richard Peacock, Administrative Assistant for the Airport Authority, presented his testimony to the committee in opposition to Assembly Bill No. 509. (See Exhibit C.)

Mr. Silvio Petriccinni, Chairman of the Washoe County Airport Authority, testified in opposition to this bill.

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Mr. Petriccinni stated the the authority recognized that there should be rotation of the chairman. They were already following this procedure. However, they were concerned about having the chairman elected by a governmental body as this could make it possible for the chairman to become a "rubber stamp" for that particular governmental body. He felt that when the chairman was elected by its members, he would not have to answer to anyone and be able to make his own decisions.

Chairman Gibson stated that this provision had been in the original bill, but had been amended out in the second reprint to allow the trustees to select their own chairman.

In response to Senator Kosinski's question, Mr. Petriccinni was not sure if they had a policy to stipulate for the rotation of the chairmanship. However, he stated that it would be very simple to adopt this policy.

Mr. G. P. Etcheverry, Nevada League of Cities, testified that he was in support of this bill. He stated that he had attended the hearings in the Assembly and felt that if the authority was acting in accordance with this bill then it would not hurt to make this procedure law.

Assemblyman Peggy Westall testified that there had been rotation of the chairmanship but only between Reno and Washoe County. This bill would insure that Sparks was included in this rotation.

Senator K. Ashworth moved "Indefinite Postponement" on Assembly Bill No. 509.

Senator Echols seconded the motion.

Senator Kosinski stated that he felt since the legislature had created the authority they should follow through to see that each entity had the opportunity to chair it through rotation.

Senator K. Ashworth withdrew his motion.

Senator Kosinski moved "Amend and Do Pass" by deleting lines 14 through 18 on page 1.

Senator K. Ashworth seconded the motion.

The motion carried. (Senators Echols voted "No". Senator Ford was absent for the vote.)

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Chairman Gibson assigned Senator Kosinski to get the amendments to this bill.

SENATE BILL NO. 570

Broadens methods by which records of local government may be destroyed.

The committee reviewed the proposed amendments from the Assembly. (See Exhibit D.)

Senator K. Ashworth moved "Do Not Concur" on the Assembly amendment No. 913 to Senate Bill 570.

Senator Wagner seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

SENATE BILL NO. 129

Makes certain revisions concerning certificates required on maps for certain divisions of land.

The committee reviewed the proposed amendments from the Assembly. (See Exhibit E.)

It was decided to give this bill and the amendments further consideration. Fred Weldon, Senior Research Analyst, would review Nevada Revised Statute No. 278 to better clarify the provisions for the committee.

BILL DRAFT REQUEST NO. 1980 (S.B. 693)

Allows pay for persons serving on town advisory boards.

Mr. Don Johnson, Director of Public Services for Gardnerville, testified that due to the growth of Gardnerville the time spent for advisory board meetings was around 15 to 40 hours per month. In 1979, Nevada Revised Statute No. 269.577 disallowed compensation for board members. This bill would make it permissive for county commissioners to provide by ordinance compensation for the members of the town advisory board.

The committee agreed to submit this bill for committee introduction.

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ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 283

Allows local governing body to extend time for review of subdivisions of land.

Ms. Irene Porter, Nevada Homebuilders Association, testified that Senator Ford had requested her to review the language on final and tentative maps in light of the testimony which had been given on Friday, May 8, 1981. Ms. Porter reviewed the proposed amendments which would be a substitute for section 3 of the original bill. (See Exhibit F.)

Mr. Bob Sullivan, Carson River Basin Council of Governments, testified that the local government needs to have some control of the length of time for a subdivision to be completed. He cited a situation where there could be three developers working on separate subdivisions within the same area. If one developer begins to sell homes before the others, then the local government no longer has a subdivision to deal with but a community. The community has certain needs, such as street lights and other services. Mr. Sullivan stated that they should have a handle on the time involved in each subdivision so that they have an idea what the build out time will be.

Ms. Sharon Cleary, Nevada Association of Realtors, proposed amendments to the committee. She asked that on page 1, section 1 be deleted entirely. In section 2, she recommended adding a new subsection which would read, "An acre site is 43,560 square feet of land, including any public streets and alleys or other rights of way or easements." She stated that this definition would solve their problems.

On page 2, line 19, she recommended that a period be placed after the words "for a water well" and the remainder of the sentence on lines 19 and 20 be deleted.

Senator K. Ashworth moved "Amend and Do Pass" on Assembly Bill No. 283 with the amendments suggested by Irene Porter and Sharon Cleary.

Senator Getto seconded the motion.

The motion carried. (Senator Wagner voted to "Abstain".)

Chairman Gibson stated that subsection 3 of Ms. Porter's amendments was not needed as it was already in Assembly Bill No. 141.

SENATE BILL NO. 441

Creates commission to promote production of motion pictures in Nevada.

Senator Ford reviewed the amendments to this bill.

Senator Getto moved "Do Pass and Re-refer" to Finance.

Senator Ford seconded the motion.

The motion carried. (Senator K. Ashworth voted "No".)

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 446

Authorizes housing division of department of commerce to make loans for conservation of energy in residential housing.

Mr. Al McNitt referred to his suggested amendments which were distributed to the committee members at the April 29th meeting and were included in those minutes. He stated that the Department of Energy had requested this bill.

Mr. McNitt explained that he thought the reasonings behind this bill were to encourage the development and installation of energy devices to conserve energy in the state of Nevada using this as a vehicle to accomplish this.

Senator Wagner moved "Amend and Do Pass" using the amendment of Mr. McNitt's which only allows this for low income families.

Senator Echols seconded the motion.

The motion carried. (Senators Gibson and Ashworth voted "No". Senator Ford was absent for the vote.)

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 468

Raises limitation on amount of bonds housing division of department of commerce may issue and provides penalty for false statements in loan applications.

Mr. Al McNitt referred to the amendment which was distributed to the committee members at the April 29th meeting and was included within those minutes.

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At present, Mr. McNitt stated that the single family program had been suspended. If Congress reinstitutes this program they would need sufficient statutory authority to increase the amount of bonds they could issue. This would add another 150 million dollars to the 500 million dollars they already had. Presently, of the 500 million dollars they only had 132 million dollars plus 100 million dollars for veteran loans only.

Senator Wagner moved "Indefinite Postponement" on Assembly Bill No. 468.

Senator K. Ashworth seconded the motion.

The motion carried. (Senators Echols and Getto voted "No". Senator Ford was absent for the vote.)

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 150

Adds mobile home parks and mobile homes to types of residential housing financed under Nevada Housing Finance Law.

Mr. McNitt referred to the amendment which had been distributed at the April 29th meeting and was included within those minutes.

Mr. McNitt stated that he preferred alternative suggestion no. 1.

Senator Kosinski moved "Amend and Do Pass" using the alternative no. 1 as the amendment.

Senator Wagner seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

As there was no further business, meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Anne L. Lage
Anne L. Lage, Secretary

APPROVED BY:

James I. Gibson
Senator James I. Gibson, Chairman

DATE: June 17, 1981

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EXHIBIT A

REVISED: 5/14/81

SENATE AGENDA

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Committee on Government Affairs, Room 243
upon
Day Friday, Date May 15, 1981, Time adjournment.

A. B. No. 520--Provides broader authority for making payroll deductions requested by state officers and employees.

A. B. No. 495--Liberalizes provisions for destruction of certain public records by law enforcement agencies.

A. B. No. 509--Provides for rotation of chairmanship of Airport Authority of Washoe County.

ATTENDANCE ROSTER FORM

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

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DATE: May 15, 1981

EXHIBIT B

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NAME ORGANIZATION & ADDRESS TELEPHONE

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Larry Hutchinson *LUMPD* *386-3486*

Mike Beut *State Personnel* *885-4050*

Steve *Director of Public Safety Granddally* *782-7134*

Silvio Petriccini *A.A.W.C.* *825-9468*

RICHARD PEACOCK *AIRPORT AUTH. OF WASHDE CO.* *785-2575*

EXHIBIT C

The Airport Authority of Washoe County believes that AB 509 is not in the best interests of the citizens of Washoe County. The Authority opposes this bill for three reasons:

First, the Airport Authority already abides by an unwritten policy which has the same intent as this new proposal. Our first Chairman, Donald Carano, was a Washoe County representative. When his two-year term expired, our Board of Trustees elected Sil Pettriciani, a Reno representative. When Chairman Pettriciani's term expires next year, a Sparks representative will be elected. So the rotation system among our three entities is already in place and working well. Also in place is the two-year term for Chairman. In these areas, these provisions of AB 509 change nothing and are therefore unnecessary.

Secondly, we are disturbed at the idea of what this proposal might mean to the effectiveness of our Board - a Board, I might add, that has successfully steered the Airport Authority through not only the challenges of forming an entirely new governmental entity, but has also guided the planning and construction of a new terminal facility, and has grappled with tough community relations problems like airport noise. One of the reasons this Board has been effective is that the Board itself elects one of its members to the key position of Chairman. Board members come to understand the dynamics of their interactions and deliberations. They learn through experience who among them are the best listeners, the best problem solvers, and the best leaders. Therefore, we feel that those who work with the Chairman, not an outside agency, should elect a leader. As legislators, who among you feels an outside entity should name your leaders here in the legislature?

In addition, it is quite conceivable that under AB 509, a new appointee, just beginning a term on the Board, could be named Chairman. Our Board believes an experienced member would be a more appropriate choice.

Thirdly, we feel that the State Legislature already has enough to do without busying itself in the affairs of a local airport authority. The nation as a whole is asking for less government, and we feel that matters that can be handled on a local level should be handled on a local level.

In conclusion, the Airport Authority of Washoe County is proud of its accomplishments in its first three years. Much of this success can be credited to the legislation which created the Authority in 1978. The legislation you gave us then has served us and the County well. We see no need to weaken it with the intrusive, arbitrary procedures proposed in AB 509.

Thank you,

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Not concurred in		Not concurred in			
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Amendment N^o 913



Amend section 1, page 1, by deleting line 6 and inserting:
 "court may designate _ [after a period of 6 years after the filing
 of them.]"

Amend the title of the bill on the second line before "and pro-
 viding" by inserting:
 "removing a time limitation;"

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AMENDMENTS to Senate
Bill No. 129
BDR 22-453
Proposed by Committee on Commerce

Amendment No 546



Amend sec. 3, page 3, line 1, after "condeminium" by inserting "project consisting of five or more units".

Amend sec. 3, page 3, line 3, by deleting "tentative or".

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278.360 1. Unless the time is extended, the subdivider must present to the planning commission a final map prepared in accordance with the tentative map on all the area for which a tentative map has been approved or one of a series of final maps each covering a portion of the approved tentative map, within one year or within successive one year intervals from the date of the approval of the tentative map by the governing body.

2. Failure to record a final map on any portion of the tentative map within one year of the date of approval by the governing body or within one year of the date of approval by the governing body of the previously recorded final map terminates all proceedings.

3. If the subdivider applies in writing to the governing body or planning commission for an extension within 1 year after the approval of his tentative map, that body or commission may grant him an extension not more than 1 year within which to present a final map. Such an extension may be granted after the tentative map expires as long as the application for it has been filed within the prescribed time.

4. The governing body or planning commission may grant an extension of not more than 1 year for the presentation of any final map after the tentative map or previous final map is approved.