

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

ASSEMBLY, NEVADA STATE LEGISLATURE, SPECIAL SESSION, 1966

Meeting was called to order by Chairman James Gibson at 9:35 A.M., Tuesday, May 24, in Ways and Means Committee Room.

Present: Jones, Pozzi, Bastian, Bailey, Young, Johnson, Bunker, Glaser, Gibson.

Absent: None

Mr. Bill Hancock from the Planning Board was present to discuss SB 6, which appropriates money from Fish and Game fund for construction of fish hatchery at Ruby Lake, Elko County. He stated that the Fish and Game has more money than anticipated from the B. O. R. (Bureau of Outdoor Recreation), but these funds will not be available until next year. Therefore, they would like to have the \$600,000 authorized during the last session increased to \$718,000 in order to build residences at the hatchery. This money would be borrowed from their bank account and paid back when B. O. R. money is received. Construction of residences will be dependent upon approval of this bill. Plans for construction of the hatchery were displayed to the Committee.

SB 6 - Mr. Glaser moved "do pass," seconded by Mr. Johnson. All in favor. Mr. Glaser will take on floor.

AB 7 - Creates 1966 State Aid to Schools emergency fund and makes an appropriation thereto. Mr. Gibson read a proposed amendment from Mr. Swackhamer which changes the year upon which distribution is based from 1964-65 to 1966-67, and stated that he does not feel this amendment is needed. Mr. Barrett is of the opinion that it would make it difficult as the ratios would not be known until August of 1967. Bill was considered without the amendment.

Mr. Bailey moved "do pass," seconded by Mr. Bunker. All in favor.

AB 8 - Appropriates money to State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for payment of attorneys' fees, court costs incurred in acquisition of land for Lake Tahoe State Park.

Mr. Barrett stated that they would like this additional \$50,000 appropriated so that it would be available in the event it was needed once they started acquiring real and personal property. He stressed the fact that if the money was not needed it would be refunded. Mr. Johnson moved "do pass," seconded by Mr. Bunker. Motion passed.

AB 17 - Authorizes transfer of portion of money appropriated for Aid to Blind, Aid to Dependent Children during 1966-67 for Old-Age Assistance and Medical Assistance for the Aged.

Mr. Barrett stated that he would like to have this bill held up until Mr. Emery could be present to discuss it.

AB 9 - Makes an appropriation to state school construction relief fund. This bill was passed during last session and killed in the Senate. Mr. Young moved "do pass," seconded by Mr. Glaser. Motion passed.

AB 21 - Authorizes charge for transportation furnished by school boards. It was pointed out that with the passage of this bill Clark County would be

Assembly Committee on Ways and Means

5/24/66

Page 2

able to reduce their bussing distance from four miles to two miles. This would eliminate many of the problems that could arise from children having to walk through town to reach their school. Both the PTA and the Teachers Association have endorsed this bill. Mr. Pozzi moved "do pass," seconded by Mr. Johnson. Motion passed.

Mr. Bailey left the meeting at 9:57 A.M.

SB 2 - Increase authorized number of Nevada Highway Patrol personnel and makes supplemental appropriation for patrol's operation during fiscal year 1966-67. Mr. Bunker moved "do pass," seconded by Mr. Johnson. Motion carried. Mr. Johnson will take on floor.

Meeting recessed at 10:00 A.M.

10:25 A.M., May 24 - meeting resumed.

Present: Chairman Gibson, Johnson, Young, Pozzi, Bunker, Glaser

Absent: Jones, Bailey, Bastian

Mr. Roberts of the Budget Department was present, Also Mr. Howard Barrett, Budget Office and Mr. Quenten, Emery, State Welfare Administrator.

AB 17 - Authorizes transfer of portion of money appropriated for Aid to Blind, Aid to Dependent Children during 1966-67 for Old-Age Assistance and Medical Assistance For the Aged.

Mr. Barrett stated that if ~~Title~~ 19 bill passes this bill (AB 17) will not be needed next year, but they would like to have it apply to this year. They are short \$51,000 to finance the present program. It was pointed out by Mr. Emery that the reason for this shortage was that the estimated program would take care of 243 persons and there was an increase up to 328. They had estimated 60 acute care patients and at present there are 105. Therefore, they have been caring for a 50% higher caseload than anticipated. Since the increase expected in ADC had not yet materialized, there is an excess in this fund.

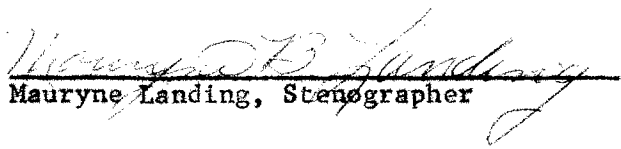
This bill will be held for a full Committee vote.

SB 3 - Appropriates money for capital improvements at Nevada State Prison.

Mr. Barrett stated that this was the second most important bill to be presented in this special session. Mr. Bunker moved "do pass," seconded by Mr. Johnson. Motion passed.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:50 A.M.

James Gibson, Chairman


Mauryne Landing, Stenographer