55TH NEVADA ASSEMBLY - Committee on Agriculture Chairman Virgil Getto March 13, 1969

Members Present: Getto, Young, Dini, Close, Brookman.

Absent: Howard and Bryan Hafen.

Chairman Getto called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M. and said that first on the agenda would be A.J.R. 33, and proposed changes.

Mr. Dini said he would like to add: "On the basis of unsanitary practices in the meat industries".

Mr. Close suggested changing Line 14 to read:

"Present high rates of interest of money make it difficult to carry out required improvements."

Mr. Young said Len Harris really wants us to buy this.

Mr. Getto replied that the Resolution was in the hands of the bill drafters now being drafted. He mertioned possible wording some states are repealing, and

WHEREAS the Federal Government is not now geared ----

Burge suggested a locally controlled industry is more acceptable to the Industry.

Close said the Government doesn't care what is acceptable to local industry. He said "Maybe Virgil has a point about home rule".

Gallaway: "Our Government is based on home rule.

Burge: What State bill do you have?

Young: "Three inspectors in the State and \$50,000.

Brookman: "You haven't proved to me that the meat inspection is being done well by the State of Nevada".

Getto: "Have you ever gone through some of the packing houses?"

Brookman replied she had not, but naturally, she would rather see the State of Nevada do for ourselves, but in the past, have we been doing a good job?

Close: "We have been doing a good job, Eileen."

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Getto said there was a chance for collusion because the packer has been paying for his own inspections.

Mr. Young said all the inspector is is the Veterinarian.

Mr. Getto said each packer pays his veterinarian to inspect his meat. In the processing plant, the State Inspector governs.

Mr. Close mentioned Paragraph 3, Page 2.

Mr. Young said "just take the money out of there, "that there has been no money appropriated".

Burge: "You are asking for an amendment to a Federal Act?"

Close: Paragraph 1, Line 24 "And authorizing the State inspected plant, meeting Federal requirements to make interstate shipments".

Brookman moved DO PASS AS AMENDED. Close Seconded. Unanimously carried. (A.J.R. 33).

 $A.B.\ 123$ - Clarifies certain provisions dealing with weights and measures.

Burge, Sec. 3 take out the word "seed", Sec. 4 Same thing delete word "seed".

Line 27, Sec. 9 Page 3, deleting line 27 and inserting the word "possession".

"And are in compliance with applicable regulations and specifications, he shall suitably seal or mark such weights, measures or weighing or measuring devices."

Close moved DO PASS AS AMENDED A.B. 123. Seconded by Dini. Unanimously carried.

Chairman Getto announced there would be a hearing on $\underline{A.B.}$ 617 on March 18th, and a hearing on $\underline{A.B.}$ 367 on March 20th. He said that one dealt with meat promotion - check off plan. He also commented that $\underline{A.B.}$ 627 was the new bill to replace $\underline{A.B.}$ 39, and said the committee will hear this a week from next Tuesday, which would be Tuesday, March 25th.

Meeting was adjourned.