

MINUTES OF MEETING - ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE - 55th SESSION

MARCH 25, 1969

PRESENT: GETTO, R. YOUNG, HOWARD, BROOKMAN, DINI, CLOSE,

ABSENT : HAFEN

Also Present: George Zappettini, State Forrester

Chairman Getto opened the meeting with a discussion on SB-322 and asked Mr. Zappettini to make some comment on how this bill effected his area and what they were doing in regard to the problem of control of pine needles.

Mr. Zappettini then told the committee that they were having trouble in the Mt. Charleston area and unless they could receive reimbursement that the program was in trouble. That the \$5000 allotted for this had been used up and many of the owners have not contributed their share toward the cost. He said that they have to contact every owner who wont pay. He was asked how this money was obtained and he replied thru Federal, State and private owners. He was then asked if he was satisfied with the bill and if he thot it covered this particular situation and he replied that he would like to have the bill remain as it was. He said that the owner was given a 30-day written notice by mail and added that this was the law but not in the bill. When asked what happened if the County Commissioners do not collect the money, he replied that it was collected on notification by letter the same way that delinquent taxes were handled.

The comment that in some areas the private owners were organized and he said that there was some talk in this area but there had been no trouble for that reason with the owners.

Mr. Zappettini said that there must be from 150 to 200 privately owned homes in the canyon. There had been talk of a fumigation program but with approximately 300 trees to treat unless money was provided they cannot go ahead with it. He said, there were some trees dead and some in the process of dying.

Motion to pass as amended with "do pass" recommendation SB-322

Motion seconded

Motion carried unanimously

Because of new information from the California Dairy Commission it was decided to set up a date for further discussion on bill AB-728 - the date agreed on was for the meeting Thursday, March 27. Then Mr. Dini then asked to have some discussion on AB-369. The question presented was whether section one of the bill should not be amended so that it did not cover certain conditions in Section 2 which covered and referred explicitly to reservoirs. Assemblyman Howard stated if it were earlier in the session a new bill could be drafted covering the construction of reservoirs and dams. He also said he would like to have the bill amended to delete "proof of commencement of work". A discussion followed on the length of time it took for different types of applications, and Assemblyman Brookman brought out the fact that large interest who wanted water for perhaps a golf course could immediately proceed while an individual with very limited finances could not afford to go ahead in the same length of time. Assemblyman Howard then said it might ^{take} 6 days to a month to actually get a well drilled but

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maybe six months to get the paper work done, if a person could not get thru the paper work in six months they were out of luck.

It was decided to hold AB-369 until a later date but the thought was presented that if they passed the bill at all the committee could only pass the Section 1 inasmuch as Section 2 applied to reservoirs and dams.

Motion made to postpone AB-369 indefinitely

Motion seconded

Motion carried 5 ayes - 1 naye

Motion made to postpone indefinitely action on AB-617

Motion seconded

Motion carried 6 ayes

Motion made to pass AB-627 and re-refer to Judiciary

Motion seconded

Motion carried 6 ayes

Action on AB-367 - Referred to Thursday meeting for discussion on amendment.

" " AB-718 " " " " " for discussion on definition of districts, sub-districts and water conservancy

Discussion on AB-728 was requested.

One objection to this bill was on the grounds of price discrimination to the state dairies. It was stated that stores such as Safeway could come in to the state with their own product and put up some small building and sell milk at a price that would literally cut the throats of the state dairies. It was pointed out, however, that all prices were set by the Nevada Dairy Commission which certainly did not wish to keep dairy prices up. In answer it was stated that the bill would provide that the Dairy Commission must give a price break to people who have drive-ins that this idea was from the California Commission where they allow about 10% less. This method would probably reduce the cost of milk products around 10%. The cost is based on the cost of the operation. There will some local objection from stores but it was pointed out it does not hurt the stores, wholesaler, and producer but will help the consumer. While the drive-in operator might stock other products one amendment to the bill reads that he must stock over 50% milk. Another objection to the bill was to the part which reads "package the milk on the premises. If this were included it would entail cleaning of bottles, equipment to package etc.

Chairman Getto asked that members of the committee get further information from Dairy Commissions and stated that AB-728 would definitely be discussed at Thursday meeting and he would hear discussion also on AB-367 ~~AB-718~~

Motion made to indefinitely postpone action on ~~AB-718~~ 728 - (see Corr. page in front)
 Motion seconded
 Motion carried ⁴ ayes, 2 naves. (see Corr. page in front)

Action on AB-704 was asked in that it be amended to read instead of "Director of Health and Welfare" - - "Officer". The committee was informed that an amendment to this effect had been written and they were awaiting the okay.

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Motion made to pass AB-704 as amended and re-refer to Ways and Means.

Motion seconded

Motion carried 6 ayes

Meeting adjourned.

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RECORD OF BILL HANDLING

| <u>BILL NO.</u> | <u>SUMMARY</u> | <u>DATE AND COMMITTEE ACTION</u> |
|---------------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| AB-367 | Fees for meat inspection | 3-18-69 passed as amended |
| AB-369 | procedures for obtaining water rights | 2-18-69 postponed |
| AB-704 | meat inspection | 3-17-69 passed |
| AB-718 | levying and collecting taxes by Water conservancy subdistricts | 3-19-69 amended and passed |
| AB-728 | retail stores to sell milk | 3-20-69 postponed indefinitely |
| AB-755 | procedure for disposition regarding livestock sales | 3-28-69 deferred to next meeting. |

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The Agriculture Counsel said bill is not supported because of lack of understanding.

Motion made by Young that bill be amended to be effective July 1, 1971
and wording changes. offered by Mr. Hicks.

Motion seconded by Mrs. Brookman
Motion passed

Meeting adjourned until 3:15

Meeting reconvened by Chairman Getto who ask for action on AB-367

Motion by Young to pass aAB-367 as amended including Hicks amendment

Motion seconded by Assemblyman Brookman

Motion carried 5 ayes.

Meeting adjourned

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MOTION made to indefinitely postpone action on AB-718 change to AB-728
MOTION SECONDED
MOTION CARRIED 6 AYES (CHANGE TO 4 ayes 2 naves)