

MINUTES OF MEETING ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS, 55TH  
LEGISLATIVE SESSION, APRIL 7, 1969

Present: Smith, Branch, Hilbrecht, Dini, Mello, Bryan Hafen,  
Getto, Lingenfelter, Wood.

The meeting opened with less than all members present but with a quorum in attendance. Chairman Smith said that BDR S-1808 which provides for a consolidated municipality in Clark County had been presented for committee introduction.

Branch moved the committee refuse introduction.  
Mello seconded.  
Motion failed.

Chairman Smith said that the committee had asked Chief Deputy Frank Daykin from the Legislative Counsel to answer and comment on the senate bills the committee had for consideration.

SJR 20 memorializes Congress to establish a national cemetery in Southern Nevada.

Lingenfelter moved Do Pass SJR 20.  
Getto seconded.  
Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Daykin told the committee that SB 61 which amends the Elko city charter had been requested by the Elko City Attorney to clarify and spell out certain of the city functions in clearer detail.

Mello moved Do Pass SB 61.  
Hilbrecht seconded.  
Motion unanimously passed.

SB 107 amends Reno city charter concerning special assessments and improvement bonds. Mr. Daykin explained that it brings the the Reno city charter into conformity with the state statutes.

Lingenfelter moved Do Pass SB 107.  
Mello seconded.  
Motion unanimously passed.

SB 152 revises laws pertaining to public securities. Mr. Daykin said that the bill was Bob Johnson's clean-up bill. Chairman Smith said that he felt the sub-committee should review the bill item by item and it was agreed to research and consider it at a later date.

SB 222 makes comprehensive revisions in Local Government Purchasing Act.

Lingenfelter moved Do Pass SB 222.  
Branch seconded.  
Motion unanimously passed.

SB 252 clarifies the fact that the Local Government Purchasing Act

does not apply to the sale or purchase of real property. Mr. Daykin said that this clarification has been requested but that he did not see how one could interpret that the Act applied to real property. It was agreed to defer action on the bill.

SB 284 intends to clarify sections of the Henderson city charter relating to securities. Chairman Smith said that he had not requested the bill. The committee agreed to defer action on SB 284.

SB 285 intends to clarify jurisdiction of Public Service Commission over sewer and water supply in general improvement districts. Mr. Daykin said that it makes it clear that the water and sanitation districts in general improvement districts are subject to the Public Service Commission.

Getto moved that SB 285 be indefinitely postponed.  
Bryan Hafen seconded.  
Motion unanimously passed.

The committee again considered BDR S-1808 for introduction. Over the objection of Branch and Mello the committee agreed to introduce the bill.

Chairman Smith said that AB 646 which exempts certain suppliers of water from requirement to fluoridate the water was being submitted for reconsideration of the committee's prior action to postpone indefinitely. The committee agreed to reconsider.

Wood moved Do Pass AB 646.  
Motion seconded.  
Motion unanimously passed.

AB 277 permits local governing boards to sit as zoning regulation adjustment boards. Mr. Daykin said that this has been requested to Ormsby County officials.

County-City Manager Etchemendy was introduced to the committee and explained that in Ormsby County it was felt that rather than appoint a zoning regulation adjustment board the function could be better accomplished by allowing the commissioners to act in that capacity.

Lingenfelter moved Do Pass AB 277.  
Motion seconded.  
Motion unanimously passed.

SB 289 provides for additional acquisition of property for state park purposes. Mr. Daykin said that the bill would allow the acquisition of land to round out the present state park plans at Lake Tahoe or for the acquisition of land for trading purposes to round out the park land acquisitions.

Branch moved Do Pass SB 289.  
Lingenfelter seconded.  
Motion unanimously passed.

SB 314 simplifies procedures under State Purchasing Act for making

requirement estimates for supplies for using agencies. Mr. Daykin said that the bill was requested by the fiscal analyst to clarify what is being done at the present time.

Hilbrecht moved Do Pass SB 314.

Mello seconded.

Motion unanimously passed.

SB 327 clarifies distribution of county gaming license fees. Mr. Daykin said that he suggested this bill when he found that the present law presents a mathematical impossibility and this clarifies the law.

Hilbrecht moved Do Pass SB 327.

Motion seconded.

Motion unanimously passed.

SB 359 amends Las Vegas city charter to make certain additions to persons excluded from civil service system. Mr. Daykin said that bill had been requested because of the peculiarities of the Las Vegas city charter with regard to department heads.

Mr. Curt Blyth of the Nevada Municipal Association said he would get Mr. Art Trelease to comment on the bill to the committee.

SB 364 amends provisions of the Consolidated Local Improvements Law, County Improvements Law when provisional order method is employed. Mr. Daykin said that it would permit the continued improvement of bisecting streets in improvement areas with simplified notice provisions to the property owners.

Lingenfelter moved Do Pass SB 364.

Hilbrecht seconded.

Motion unanimously passed.

Mr. Art Trelease was introduced to the committee for comments on SB 359. Mr. Trelease said that because of peculiarities of the Las Vegas city charter it was needed to assure that an employee of the fire or police departments or of the city attorney's office became a department head that his status under the the civil service system would be protected. It does not remove any civil service positions.

Hilbrecht moved Do Pass SB 359.

Lingenfelter seconded.

Motion unanimously passed.

SB 382 enables the City of Wells to assist a nonprofit organization in construction of a golf course.

Branch moved SB 382 be postponed indefinitely. There was no second.

Lingenfelter moved Do Pass SB 382.

Motion seconded.

Motion passed over objection of Branch and Smith.

SB 383 modifies procedure for establishing law libraries in certain counties. Mr. Daykin said the bill was requested by the

smaller counties as a permissive method of establishing a law library with the county commissioners acting as the board of law library trustees.

Assemblyman Hilbrecht suggested that the bill be amended to delete line 9: "(b) Provide for no law library" and reconstruct the previous language accordingly. Mr. Daykin said that such an amendment would be acceptable.

Lingenfelter moved to amend SB 383 and Do Pass as amended. Hilbrecht seconded. Motion unanimously passed.

Chairman Smith asked Mr. Daykin to prepare the amendment which he agreed to do.

SB 405 prohibits transportation of certain effluent. Mr. Daykin said that this was known as the "no stink" bill and protected certain areas from effluent deposits.

Lingenfelter moved Do Pass SB 405. Getto seconded. Motion unanimously passed.

SB 411 provides for election, terms of office of mayor and councilmen of third-class cities; provides number of councilmen for second-class cities.

Mr. Daykin said that this was requested because of the peculiar structure of city governments in Nevada on a population basis. Mr. Curt Blyth said that only three or four cities in the state were affected. Ely, Fallon and Winnemucca are among them.

Getto moved Do Pass SB 411. Motion seconded. Motion passed over the objection of Hilbrecht.

Chairman Smith told the committee that SB 427 which amends the Sparks city charter is being withdrawn in favor of another bill being sponsored by Assemblyman Mello. It was agreed to withhold action on SB 427 pending introduction of the other bill.

SB 483 removes conflicts between city charter amendments concerning municipal securities. Mr. Daykin said that the bill would not be effective unless SB 152 and SB 354 become law.

Lingenfelter moved Do Pass SB 427. Motion seconded. Motion unanimously passed.

SJR 1 excludes fiscal matters from state and local initiative and referendum. Mr. Daykin was asked to clarify some of the questions the committee had. It was developed that an initiative action could be altered after three years and was not a fixed action without further recourse.

Lingenfelter moved Do Pass SJR 1. Getto seconded. Motion passed over objection of Hilbrecht and Mello.

SJR 18 of the 54th Session proposes a constitutional amendment to provide for a state civil service system.

Getto moved that SJR 18 of the 54th Session be indefinitely postponed. Hilbrecht seconded.

Mr. Curt Blyth told Chairman Smith that Mr. Charles Collins representing the State Employees Association was present and would like to comment on the bill.

Mr. Collins was introduced and told the committee that this bill was urgently supported by the Association and he urged the committee to give it favorable consideration.

Lingenfelter moved Do Pass SJR 18 of the 54th Session.

Getto seconded.

Motion unanimously passed.

SB 58 excludes fiscal matters from local initiative and referendum. Mr. Daykin said that SB 58 was intended to do by statute what SJR 1 does by constitutional amendment. He said that he felt that it was of doubtful constitutionality.

Dini moved Do Pass SB 58.

Getto seconded.

Motion failed a majority.

AB 779 requires applicant or his partner or officer to take examination for contractor's license. It requires that a qualified employee must actually be an officer of the contractor's corporation.

Getto moved Do Pass AB 779.

Lingenfelter seconded.

Motion unanimously passed.

AB 778 requires that notice of delinquent taxes be published in newspaper which publishes list of taxpayers. Chairman Smith explained that this bill corrects an omission from the public printing bills which failed to designate the delinquent taxlist in its provisions.

Getto moved Do Pass AB 778.

Branch seconded.

Motion unanimously passed.

Getto moved adjournment and the meeting adjourned.