

MINUTES ON HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD MARCH 27TH, 236  
1969.

Present: Wilson, Foote, Espinoza, Frazzini, Brookman, May,  
Homer, Hafen (arrival time noted)

Absent: None

Guests: Mr. Wahrenbrock, Department of Health Welfare and Rehab.;  
Dr. Carr, Acting State Health Officer; J. Sullivan,  
Director, Bureau of Vital Statistics; Dr. Carr, Acting  
State Health Officer.

Chairman Wilson called the meeting to order at 3:30 and indicated  
that the agenda for Monday will be AB-229.

AB-469 - Authorizes state health officer to appoint commissioner  
of food and drugs.

Wahrenbrock: It is felt that the commissioner of food and drugs  
should be appointed by the state health officer rather than the  
director of health, welfare and rehabilitation.

It was asked if the state health office would mean some new person  
coming from another state again; it could work this way, but the  
state board of health is also involved. This position is in the  
classified service.

Foote moved a do pass; Frazzini seconded; motion carried  
unanimously.

AB-710 - Provides for licensure of psychologists.

Chairman Wilson indicated that he had received several telegrams  
all against this bill from individuals and groups.

It was questioned as to whether this would mean another licensing  
board and was decided that it would.

May made a motion not to consider further action until the next  
scheduled meeting; Wilson wished an amendment to the motion because  
the agenda for the next meeting was already set. May amended his  
motion not to consider further action until the next meeting for  
which no agenda has been set. Frazzini seconded. Motion carried  
unanimously.

Hafen present:

AB-729 - Prescribes form and contents of birth certificates.

This bill was brought about because it was questioned whether a  
certificate should be marked "legitimate" or illegitimate". It  
was also questioned why the schooling of the father was wanted.

Wahrenbrock: It is not the department's position to support any legislation. It needs to be determined what is necessary from a legal point of view.

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Sullivan: On January 1, 1945 the question of "legitimate" or "illegitimate" birth was removed from the birth record; but was reinstated January 1, 1959. It was felt that the removal of this did not serve any purpose because it could be determined from the names of the father and mother (father, if known) if the birth were illegitimate. Page 2, lines 35-45 were approved by the council on uniform state laws. If this proposal is adopted, you will have a piece of paper with no legal value. Proof of age is all that it will be effective for; you cannot get a passport; mother would be unable to obtain ADC; could not belong to certain organizations if couldn't trace ancestry; insurance companies demand parent's names; court actions would not accept; needed for inheritance purposes & tracing family tree. The education of a parent is needed to determine economic status.

It was questioned how confidential is the confidential portion of this form; it can be released only upon order of the district court. It was determined that it was by statute that this is confidential. It was also determined that if this is set by statute the health department could not make a change.

Brookman stated that she would like to have legal advice and also would like to have a physician heard on this matter and made a motion that this be postponed until then; Frazzini seconded. Hafen questioned whether we would have time for this. Motion carried unanimously.

AB-738 - Creates advisory committee to welfare division.

Wahrenbrock: This bill is being introduced at the request of the department. We are required by Federal regulations to establish some advisory committees. We have budgeted money for as little as possible.

It was determined that the \$307 was determined by setting the number of meetings, where the people appointed would be traveling from, etc.

Frazzini moved a do pass; Brookman stated she would like some more information from a legal source; Foote moved to indefinitely postpone; Hafen seconded; motion carried unanimously.

AB-739 - Establishes state comprehensive health planning agency.

Wahrenbrock: This bill has been requested by the department. We do have a comprehensive health planning agency within the state. This bill is being placed in Chapter 439 NRS because this is what Legislative Counsel requested. The comprehensive planning agency is within the Department of Health Welfare and Rehabilitation. The Legislative Counsel Bureau changed Page 2, line 15 on; and the State Board of Health is opposed to this being left out. This legislative act is to authorize

what has already been going on under executive order since April 1, 1968. This will be funded 25% state and 75% federal.

Mr. Wahrenbrock is to furnish an organizational chart of the Department of Health Welfare and Rehabilitation to the committee members for clarification.

Brookman moved that we consider AB-739 on Tuesday; Frazzini seconded; Chairman asked for an amendment to that motion; it was amended to leave this matter open until the State Board of Health is heard from; Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned.