SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING

Tuesday, February 8, 1977

The meeting was called to order in Room #323, Legislative Building, at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 8, 1977.

Senator Richard Blakemore was in the chair.

PRESENT: Senator Richard Blakemore, Chairman

Senator C. Clifton Young Senator Margie Foote Senator Joe Neal

Senator William Hernstadt

Senator Wilbur Faiss

ABSENT: Senator Keith Ashworth, Vice Chairman

COMMITTEE ACTION WAS THEN TAKEN ON THE FOLLOWING BILLS:

SB 57 PROHIBITS REQUIRING EXAMINATION OF DRIVER QUALIFICATIONS FOR LICENSE RENEWAL IF BASED ON AGE ALONE.

Chairman Blakemore distributed a copy of the amendment which had been requested at the January 27 meeting. There seemed to be some question as to whether the amendment had been drawn by the Legislative Counsel correctly.

Senator Young moved the amendment be approved contingent on checking with the Legislative Counsel. Senator Neal seconded the motion Motion carried unanimously.

Senator Young moved amend and "DO PASS" Senator Neal seconded the motion Motion carried unanimously.

SB 58 PROVIDES FOR ELIGIBILITY OF WOMEN AS HIGHWAY PATROL PERSONNEL.

Senator Neal moved amend and "DO PASS" Senator Young seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

SB 88 INCLUDES DRIVER'S LICENSE SUSPENSIONS UNDER IMPLIED CONSENT LAW IN CONSECUTIVE SUSPENSIONS.

Senator Neal moved "DO PASS" Senator Hernstadt seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.



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SJR 8 MEMORIALIZES CIVIL AERONAUTICS BOARD TO PROMOTE COMPETITION IN RENO-LAS VEGAS PASSENGER AIR SERVICE.

Chairman Blakemore asked Senator Hernstadt the introducer of this bill, if February 22 would give enough time to notify witnesses for a hearing? Senator Hernstadt answered yes.

Chairman Blakemore stated that the Scenic Airline which is now operating between Carson City and Las Vegas has indicated an interest in a third level carrier operation between Las Vegas, Tonopah, Hawthorne and the Reno area. There is another carrier which is interested in extending service through Bishop to Reno. He felt that this might be the best forum, when we hear <u>SJR 8</u>, to invite other people from outlying areas to express what their needs and desires are regarding air services. He asked the Committee how they felt on the matter?

Senator Hernstadt said it was satisfactory with him, however, he felt that a third level carrier service equivalent to CAB (first level carrier) license, which is what <u>SJR 8</u> involves. He hoped that the "waters wouldn't be muddied" by bringing in others whose needs would be solved by a different type of air service. He said that in his opinion it was two seperate items and asked if they could be separated on the agenda? This was agreeable by the committee.

Hearing was then set for SJR 8 on Tuesday, February 22.

Hearings were set for Tuesday, February 15 for <u>SB 144</u>, <u>SB 145</u> and <u>AB 22</u>.

Chairman Blakemore announced that the meeting on Thursday, February 10 would be for the Committee to approve two BDR's for Committee Introduction.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Molly M. Torvik, Secretary

APPROVED BY:

Senator Richard Blakemore, Chairman

SENATE BILL NO. 57—SENATOR GOJACK

JANUARY 19, 1977

Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Prohibits requiring examination of driver qualifications for license renewal if based on age alone. (BDR 43-434) FISCAL NOTE: Local Government Impact: No. State or Industrial Insurance Impact: No.



EXPLANATION—Matter in italics is new; matter in brackets [] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to drivers' licenses; eliminating the requirement that licensees aged 70 or older renew licenses every two years; prohibiting requirement of special examination of licensees for renewal of license if based on age alone; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. NRS 483.380 is hereby amended to read as follows: 483.380 1. Every driver's license Lissued after July 1, 1971, shall expire in the case of a person 70 years of age or older on the second anniversary and in the case of all other persons expires on the fourth anniversary of the licensee's birthday, measured in the case of an original license, a renewal license and a renewal of an expired license, from the birthday nearest the date of issuance or renewal. Any applicant whose date of birth was on February 29 in a leap year [shall,] is, for the purposes of NRS 483.010 to 483.630, inclusive, [be] considered to have the anniversary of his birth fall on February 28. Every license [shall] be is renewable on or during a 90-day period before its expiration upon application and payment of the required fee, and, except as provided in subsection 6, each applicant for renewal shall appear before a driver's license examiner and successfully pass a test of his eyesight. Every driver's license issued on or prior to July 1, 1971, shall be valid until the expiration date indicated thereon.]

2. No later than 30 days prior to the expiration of his license, the driver's license division of the department shall mail to each licensee who has not already renewed his license an expiration notice. The department may require an applicant for a renewal license successfully to pass such additional tests as the department [may find] finds reasonably necessary to determine his qualification according to the type or class of license applied for.

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SENATE BILL NO. 58—SENATOR GOJACK

JANUARY 19, 1977

Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Provides for eligibility of women as highway patrol personnel. (BDR 43-478)

FISCAL NOTE: Local Government Impact: No. State or Industrial Insurance Impact: No.



EXPLANATION—Matter in italics is new; matter in brackets [] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to the Nevada highway patrol; providing for eligibility of women as highway patrol personnel; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. NRS 481.160 is hereby amended to read as follows: 481.160 The appointed personnel shall:

1. Be men persons qualified at the time of their appointment with the knowledge of all traffic laws of this state, the provisions of chapter 482 for NRS, the provisions of chapter 483 of NRS, the provisions of chapter 706 of NRS, and all the laws with respect 1, 483 and 706 of NRS, and all laws relating to the imposition and collection of gasoline taxes and special fuel taxes.

9 2. Be versed in the laws respecting all laws relating to the powers of police officers as to traffic law violations and other offenses committed over and along the highways of this state.

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SENATE BILL NO. 88—COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

January 20, 1977

Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Includes driver's license suspensions under implied consent law in consecutive suspensions. (BDR 43-204)

FISCAL NOTE: Local Government Impact: No.

State or Industrial Insurance Impact: No.



EXPLANATION—Matter in italics is new; matter in brackets [] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; adding to the category of driver's license suspensions required to run consecutively; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. NRS 483.490 is hereby amended to read as follows: 483.490 1. Unless otherwise provided by law, the department may not suspend a license for a period of more than 1 year.

2. The department may, after the expiration of 1 year from the date of revocation of a license and when the period of [such] revocation exceeds 1 year, issue a driver's license to an applicant permitting [such] the applicant to drive a motor vehicle for purposes of his employment only, if the department is satisfied that a severe hardship exists.

3. The periods of suspensions and revocations under this chapter and under NRS 484.385 shall run consecutively, except as provided in NRS 483.470, when the [suspension] suspensions shall run concurrently.

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