

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
ASSEMBLY SUBCOMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND LABOR**

**Seventy-Fourth Session
March 19, 2007**

The Subcommittee on Commerce and Labor was called to order by Chair Marilyn Kirkpatrick at 5:02 p.m., on Monday, March 19, 2007, in Room 4100 of the Legislative Building, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada. The meeting was videoconferenced to Room 4401 of the Grant Sawyer State Office Building, 555 East Washington Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada. Copies of the minutes, including the Agenda ([Exhibit A](#)), the Attendance Roster ([Exhibit B](#)), and other substantive exhibits are available and on file in the Research Library of the Legislative Counsel Bureau and on the Nevada Legislature's website at www.leg.state.nv.us/74th/committees/. In addition, copies of the audio record may be purchased through the Legislative Counsel Bureau's Publications Office (email: publications@lcb.state.nv.us; telephone: 775-684-6835).

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Assemblywoman Marilyn Kirkpatrick, Chair
Assemblywoman Francis Allen
Assemblyman Marcus Conklin

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kevin Powers, Committee Counsel
Dave Ziegler, Committee Policy Analyst
Patricia Blackburn, Committee Secretary

OTHERS PRESENT:

Danny Thompson, Executive Director, AFL-CIO Nevada
Victor Buron, Solar Seeker

Chair Kirkpatrick:

The meeting is called to order. We will open the hearing on **Assembly Bill 186**.

Assembly Bill 186: Revises various provisions relating to energy. (BDR 58-784)



I will explain how we will go through this process. Everyone has a copy of the bill and we are going to go section by section. As you have something to testify about, either for or against, on that section, feel free to approach the witness table.

Danny Thompson, Executive Director, AFL-CIO, Nevada:

There are a number of amendments that are going to be proposed today. I think I can save the Committee a lot of time and heartache. As the proponent of the bill, I would like to have the opportunity to sit down with my major opponent and craft a solution that everyone could agree to.

There are amendments that were already proposed. For the record, Barrick Gold Corporation, which is a 704B corporation, will not be affected by this bill. They would like a clarification of that.

Section 10 of the bill asks for a change for an additional 20 megawatts of capacity a year for schools. I know there is a proposed amendment to change that to two megawatts. The 20 megawatts capacity a year for schools would cost approximately \$110 million a year. That was not the intention. I think if the major opponents and the major proponents can come up with some solutions to bring back to the Committee. It might save you some time.

Chair Kirkpatrick:

And we appreciate that. If there is anyone who would like to work with the opponents and proponents, please do so. We would like to see a copy before we move any further with this bill.

Does anyone else have anything to say?

Victor Buron, Owner, Solar Seeker:

Did I hear you correctly? Did you want anyone to join with the proponents and opponents if they have amendments?

Chair Kirkpatrick:

Yes. I can pass the amendments to them if you have them. Are those the same amendments that I have in my office? I would be more than happy to give them to Mr. Thompson and Mr. Sanchez.

Victor Buron:

How many copies would you like?

Chair Kirkpatrick:

Just one copy will be fine.

We will be sure that your amendment is put on the record ([Exhibit C](#)).

Is there anyone wishing to speak on A.B. 186 or any proposed amendments? I see none.

We will close the Subcommittee meeting.

[The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.]

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Patricia Blackburn
Committee Secretary

APPROVED BY:

Assemblywoman Marilyn Kirkpatrick, Chair

DATE: _____

EXHIBITS

Committee Name: Committee on Commerce and Labor

Date: March 19, 2007

Time of Meeting: 5:00 p.m.

Bill	Exhibit	Witness / Agency	Description
	A		Agenda
	B		Attendance Roster
AB 186	C	Victor Buron	Proposed Amendments