

**MINUTES OF THE FLOOR MEETING
OF THE
ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY**

**Seventy-Eighth Session
May 28, 2015**

The Committee on Judiciary was called to order by Chairman Ira Hansen at 12:47 p.m. on Thursday, May 28, 2015, behind the bar of the Assembly.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Assemblyman Ira Hansen, Chairman
Assemblyman Erven T. Nelson, Vice Chairman
Assemblyman Elliot T. Anderson
Assemblyman Nelson Araujo
Assemblywoman Olivia Diaz
Assemblywoman Michele Fiore
Assemblyman David M. Gardner
Assemblyman Brent A. Jones
Assemblyman James Ohrenschall
Assemblyman P.K. O'Neill
Assemblywoman Victoria Seaman
Assemblyman Tyrone Thompson

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Assemblyman Glenn E. Trowbridge

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Diane Thornton, Committee Policy Analyst
Bonnie Borda Hoffecker, Committee Manager
Lenore Carfora-Nye, Committee Secretary
Linda Whimple, Committee Secretary

Chairman Hansen:

[The meeting was called to order.] First we are going to introduce BDR S-1292. I will entertain a motion to introduce.

BDR S-1292—Makes technical corrections to measures passed by the 78th Legislative Session. (Later introduced as [Assembly Bill 488](#).)



ASSEMBLYMAN OHRENSCHALL MOVED FOR COMMITTEE
INTRODUCTION OF BDR S-1292.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN SEAMAN SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION PASSED. (ASSEMBLYMAN TROWBRIDGE WAS
ABSENT FOR THE VOTE.)

Chairman Hansen:

Next, we will vote on Senate Bill 291 (2nd Reprint).

Senate Bill 291 (2nd Reprint): Provides for the determination of damage awards
in certain civil actions. (BDR 3-951)

Diane Thornton, Committee Policy Analyst:

[Read summary of the bill from the work session document ([Exhibit A](#)).]

Chairman Hansen:

I will entertain a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN JONES MOVED TO DO PASS
SENATE BILL 291 (2ND REPRINT).

ASSEMBLYWOMAN SEAMAN SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION FAILED. (ASSEMBLYMAN TROWBRIDGE WAS
ABSENT FOR THE VOTE. ASSEMBLY MEMBERS OHRENSCHALL,
GARDNER, FIORE, ARAUJO, THOMPSON, AND DIAZ VOTED NO.)

Chairman Hansen:

Next is Senate Bill 292 (1st Reprint).

Senate Bill 292 (1st Reprint): Revises provisions relating to certain civil actions
involving negligence. (BDR 3-954)

Diane Thornton, Committee Policy Analyst:

[Read summary of the bill from the work session document ([Exhibit A](#)).]

Chairman Hansen:

I will entertain a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN GARDNER MOVED TO DO PASS
SENATE BILL 292 (1ST REPRINT).

ASSEMBLYMAN O'NEILL SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION FAILED. (ASSEMBLYMAN TROWBRIDGE WAS
ABSENT FOR THE VOTE. ASSEMBLY MEMBERS ANDERSON,
OHRENSCHALL, FIORE, ARAUJO, THOMPSON, AND DIAZ VOTED
NO.)

Chairman Hansen:

Our last bill is Senate Bill 296 (2nd Reprint).

Senate Bill 296 (2nd Reprint): Revises provisions relating to exemplary or
punitive damages in certain civil actions. (BDR 3-940)

Diane Thornton, Committee Policy Analyst:

[Read summary of the bill from the work session document ([Exhibit A](#)).]

Chairman Hansen:

I will entertain a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN GARDNER MOVED TO AMEND AND DO PASS
SENATE BILL 296 (2ND REPRINT).

ASSEMBLYMAN NELSON SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION PASSED. (ASSEMBLYMAN TROWBRIDGE WAS
ABSENT FOR THE VOTE. ASSEMBLY MEMBERS ANDERSON,
OHRENSCHALL, ARAUJO, THOMPSON, AND DIAZ VOTED NO.)

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Chairman Hansen:

The meeting is adjourned [at 12:50 p.m.].

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Lenore Carfora-Nye
Committee Secretary

APPROVED BY:

Assemblyman Ira Hansen, Chairman

DATE: _____

EXHIBITS

Committee Name: Committee on Judiciary

Date: May 28, 2015

Time of Meeting: 12:47 p.m.

Bill	Exhibit	Witness / Agency	Description
S.B. 291	A	Diane Thornton, Committee Policy Analyst	Work Session Document