# MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

# Eighty-first Session May 3, 2021

The Senate Committee on Judiciary was called to order by Chair Melanie Scheible at 1:07 p.m. on Monday, May 3, 2021, Online and in Room 2135 of the Legislative Building, Carson City, Nevada. Exhibit A is the Agenda. All exhibits are available and on file in the Research Library of the Legislative Counsel Bureau.

# **COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Senator Melanie Scheible, Chair Senator Nicole J. Cannizzaro, Vice Chair Senator James Ohrenschall Senator Dallas Harris Senator Ira Hansen Senator Keith F. Pickard

## **COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Senator James A. Settelmeyer (Excused)

## **STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Patrick Guinan, Policy Analyst Nicolas Anthony, Counsel Pat Devereux, Committee Secretary

## CHAIR SCHEIBLE:

We will open the work session on Assembly Bill (A.B.) 8.

ASSEMBLY BILL 8 (1st Reprint): Makes various changes relating to gaming. (BDR 41-278)

## PATRICK GUINAN (Policy Analyst):

As indicated in the work session document (Exhibit B), A.B. 8 adds workers to the definition of "gaming employee" and requires them to register with the Nevada Gaming Control Board. The bill authorizes the Nevada Gaming Commission to adopt regulations to allow licensees to accept electronic

signatures from patrons for credit purchases. It also revises various employment issues for certain Board members and makes other technical and conforming changes. A proposed amendment, <a href="Exhibit B">Exhibit B</a>, from Michael Morton, Senior Research Specialist, Gaming Control Board, revises the definition of "gross revenue" to include "cash equivalents."

SENATOR OHRENSCHALL MOVED TO AMEND AND DO PASS AS AMENDED A.B. 8.

SENATOR HARRIS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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# CHAIR SCHEIBLE:

We will close the work session on  $\underline{A.B.~8}$  and open the work session on A.B.~140.

ASSEMBLY BILL 140: Enacts provisions relating to service of process on certain lessors of vehicles. (BDR 2-544)

## Mr. Guinan:

As indicated in the work session document (Exhibit C), A.B. 140 revises provisions governing processes by short-term lessors of vehicles. Rental agencies must accept service of a summons or complaint for any accident involving a Nevada resident when the lessee has purchased liability insurance and is not a resident of the United States.

SENATOR HARRIS MOVED TO DO PASS A.B. 140.

SENATOR OHRENSCHALL SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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#### CHAIR SCHEIBLE:

We will close the work session on  $\underline{A.B.\ 140}$  and open the work session on A.B. 212.

ASSEMBLY BILL 212 (1st Reprint): Makes various changes relating to court interpreters. (BDR 1-758)

Mr. Guinan:

As per the work session document (<u>Exhibit D</u>), <u>A.B. 212</u> revises the membership of the committee to advise the Supreme Court Administrator regarding regulation of certification and registration of court interpreters for people with limited English proficiency. The committee is also required to post an annual public report summarizing its activities and data concerning use of interpreters.

SENATOR OHRENSCHALL MOVED TO DO PASS A.B. 212.

SENATOR PICKARD SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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#### CHAIR SCHEIBLE:

We will close the work session on  $\underline{A.B.\ 212}$  and open the work session on A.B. 214.

ASSEMBLY BILL 214 (1st Reprint): Revises provisions governing sexual assault. (BDR 15-103)

## Mr. Guinan:

As per the work session document (<u>Exhibit E</u>), <u>A.B. 214</u> revises the definition of sexual assault by replacing gendered language in statute with gender-neutral language. The bill's sponsor offered Proposed Amendment 3323, <u>Exhibit E</u>, which would require the Advisory Committee on the Administration of Justice to conduct an Interim study of nationwide sexual assault laws and report its findings to the Legislature.

A second proposed amendment,  $\underline{\text{Exhibit E}}$ , from the Nevada District Attorneys Association, would clarify language regarding which persons are referenced in section 1, subsection 1, paragraph (b) and section 1, subsection 5, paragraph (b) of  $\underline{\text{A.B. 214}}$ . Chair Scheible requested that she be added as a cosponsor of the bill.

SENATOR HARRIS MOVED TO AMEND AND DO PASS AS AMENDED A.B. 214.

SENATOR OHRENSCHALL SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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## CHAIR SCHEIBLE:

We will close the work session on  $\underline{A.B.\ 214}$  and open the work session on A.B. 284.

ASSEMBLY BILL 284 (1st Reprint): Revises provisions relating to statutory liens on motor vehicles. (BDR 9-761)

## Mr. Guinan:

As per the work session document (<u>Exhibit F</u>), <u>A.B. 284</u> would establish a procedure to contest the validity of a lien on a motor vehicle. After receiving notice of a lien, the Department of Motor Vehicles would be prohibited from transferring the vehicle's title until adjudication. The bill would not apply to tow car operators holding certificates of public convenience and necessity. The sponsor submitted a proposed amendment, <u>Exhibit F</u>, to clarify the scope and process of the court actions in the bill.

SENATOR OHRENSCHALL MOVED TO AMEND AND DO PASS AS AMENDED A.B. 284.

SENATOR CANNIZZARO SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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CHAIR SCHEIBLE:

We will close the work session on  $\underline{A.B.\ 284}$  and open the work session on A.B. 405.

ASSEMBLY BILL 405 (1st Reprint): Revises provisions relating to gaming. (BDR 41-643)

Mr. Guinan:

As per the work session document (Exhibit G), A.B. 405 would make it illegal to make an agreement with a sporting judge, referee or official whereby he or she would adversely affect the outcome of the sporting event. Erica Adler, a student at the William S. Boyd School of Law, submitted a proposed amendment, Exhibit G, striking language from Nevada Revised Statutes 463.710 regarding licensee reporting of accounting systems and internal controls used in foreign gaming. That language no longer reflects the process by which the Gaming Control Board interacts with licensees in that area.

SENATOR PICKARD MOVED TO AMEND AND DO PASS AS AMENDED A.B. 405.

SENATOR HARRIS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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CHAIR SCHEIBLE: We will close the work session on <u>A.B. 405</u> . Seeing no more business before the Senate Committee on Judiciary, we are adjourned at 1:21 p.m.
RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Senate Committee on Judiciary

	RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:	
	Pat Devereux, Committee Secretary	
APPROVED BY:		
Senator Melanie Scheible, Chair		
DATE:		

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