MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON GROWTH AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Eighty-second Session May 17, 2023

The Senate Committee on Growth and Infrastructure was called to order by Chair Dallas Harris at 3:34 p.m. on Wednesday, May 17, 2023, in Room 2144 of the Legislative Building, Carson City, Nevada. The meeting was videoconferenced to Room 4412E of the Grant Sawyer State Office Building, 555 East Washington Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada. Exhibit A is the Agenda. Exhibit B is the Attendance Roster. All exhibits are available and on file in the Research Library of the Legislative Counsel Bureau.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Dallas Harris, Chair Senator Pat Spearman, Vice Chair Senator Julie Pazina Senator Scott Hammond Senator Ira Hansen

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kristin Rossiter, Policy Analyst Jessica Dummer, Counsel Paula Peters, Committee Secretary

CHAIR HARRIS:

We will begin the work session on Assembly Bill (A.B.) 57.

ASSEMBLY BILL 57 (1st Reprint): Revises various provisions relating to motor vehicles. (BDR 9-274)

Kristin Rossiter (Policy Analyst):

<u>Assembly Bill 57</u> was heard by the Committee on April 26, 2023, and is summarized on the work session document (<u>Exhibit C</u>). There is an amendment submitted by the Nevada Trucking Association included in <u>Exhibit C</u>.

SENATOR PAZINA MOVED TO AMEND AND DO PASS AS AMENDED A.B. 57.

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SENATOR SPEARMAN SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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Ms. Rossiter:

Assembly Bill 359 was heard by the Committee on May 8, 2023, and is summarized on the work session document (Exhibit D).

ASSEMBLY BILL 359: Revises provisions relating to the imposition by certain counties of additional taxes on fuels for motor vehicles. (BDR 32-801)

SENATOR HAMMOND MOVED TO DO PASS A.B. 359.

SENATOR PAZINA SECONDED THE MOTION.

SENATOR HANSEN:

I reviewed the ballot question and understood the rationale behind A.B. 359 allowing an easier way to implement. However, the ballot question was clear by saying this was supposed to be through December 31, 2026. It passed overwhelmingly 56 percent to 43 percent. But in several spots on the ballot question and the explanation, it said this was supposed to go back for a vote of the people before the tax was implemented. It is important that we honor the intent of the voters when they passed it the first time. I am going to have to vote against A.B. 359 on that basis.

THE MOTION PASSED. (SENATOR HANSEN VOTED NO.)

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Ms. Rossiter:

Assembly Bill 407 was heard by the Committee on May 15, 2023, and is summarized on the work session document (Exhibit E).

ASSEMBLY BILL 407 (1st Reprint): Revises provisions governing the release of personal information by the Director of the Department of Motor Vehicles. (BDR 43-751)

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SENATOR PAZINA MOVED TO DO PASS A.B. 407.

SENATOR SPEARMAN SECONDED THE MOTION.

SENATOR HANSEN:

I voted against a similar bill in the Seventy-seventh Session that created this program. It is wrong for a legislative body to discourage a state agency to cooperate with enforcement of law. The evidence still has not been presented on the intent of A.B. 407, which was to make sure we had less people driving on our roads who were uninsured. I have not received that information and do not think that was the original intent. State agencies should be cooperating with immigration authorities, whether federal, state or otherwise. I am going to vote no because this is a mistake, and we should honor the federal laws. If we do not like them, then we should make aggressive efforts to change them.

CHAIR HARRIS:

Assembly Bill 407 will require the Department of Motor Vehicles to comply when law enforcement has a court order or warrant. I know we have had many conversations about this, and you would not want any of your personal information given without a warrant. I do not see why we cannot afford that same courtesy here.

SENATOR HANSEN:

Madam Chair, I agree with your point; that would be true for legal immigrants and citizens. For people who are intentionally in the Country illegally, then I would not agree.

THE MOTION PASSED. (SENATORS HAMMOND AND HANSEN VOTED NO.)

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Ms. Rossiter:

Assembly Bill 426 was heard by this Committee on May 8, 2023, and is summarized on the work session document (Exhibit F).

ASSEMBLY BILL 426 (1st Reprint): Revises provisions governing special event advertising. (BDR 43-975)

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SENATOR PAZINA MOVED TO DO PASS A.B. 426.

SENATOR HANSEN SECONDED.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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CHAIR HARRIS: I will close our work session and adjourn the S Infrastructure at 3:45 p.m.	Senate Committee on Growth and
	RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:
	Blain Jensen, Committee Secretary
APPROVED BY:	
Senator Dallas Harris, Chair	_

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DATE:_____

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EXHIBIT SUMMARY				
Bill	Exhibit Letter	Introduced on Minute Report Page No.	Witness / Entity	Description
	Α	1		Agenda
	В	1		Attendance Roster
A.B. 57	С	1	Kristin Rossiter	Work Session Document
A.B. 359	D	2	Kristin Rossiter	Work Session Document
A.B. 407	Е	2	Kristin Rossiter	Work Session Document
A.B. 426	F	3	Kristin Rossiter	Work Session Document