

STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
February 8, 1965

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman who introduced Mr. Docking to discuss his H.B. 549. Mr. Docking stated that it affected only Cities of the Third Class and would permit them to commence construction of a "home for the aged" when a sum (or equivalent) of \$20,000 is acquired by the city. That it would require a referendum and election before this law would apply. Miss Jacquart inquired if there was any existing statute that could be amended to incorporate this, and Mr. Docking stated that there was nothing of this nature pertaining to cities of the third class. Mr. Brown asked if they knew about the Federal matching fund privilege and Mr. Docking stated that he felt that a city could enter into such an arrangement as well as a group of private investors. Mr. Unruh inquired if there was any urgency about this measure or if it could be printed in the statute book instead of having publication. Mr. Marshall inquired if there were any private nursing homes in this area, and Mr. Docking stated that there were not; that there was an overcrowded County home.

Mr. Euler appeared to discuss H.B. 565, and stated that this measure is the aftermath of the "Brown Bill" in the 1963 session; that it takes care of County Commissioners in the event of vacancies occurring. Mr. Brown of Reno stated that Judges have a problem too; that he was all for this measure. Mr. Euler further stated that it should be coordinated with a proposal that is being studied in the Elections Committee, and suggested that action be postponed pending action on other matters there.

Mr. Bell was introduced to discuss H.B. 568, and stated that it dealt only with "improvement districts" in Sedgwick County; that funds had been accumulated in certain areas where "hook in" fees were charged builders to hook onto utilities, particularly in this case, sewers; that there is no provision for investment of these funds and that considerable money could be earned by wise investment. After several questions by the committee, Mr. Bell stated that he would have no objections to amendments which would make the bill more acceptable to the committee. Mr. Fribley stated that he would have some amendments prepared.

Miss Jacquart moved, seconded by Mr. Griffith, that the Speaker be asked to re-refer H.B. 565 to the Elections Committee, with Mr. Euler's permission, so that they can coordinate this bill with the others they are considering. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned.