Inventory of the Nolan Frizzelle Papers

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Descriptive Summary
Title: Nolan Frizzelle Papers
Dates: 1981-1992
Collection number: LP461
Creator: Nolan Frizzelle, California Legislator
Collection Size: 3.5 cubic feet
Repository: California State Archives
Sacramento, California


Physical location: California State Archives
Languages: Languages represented in the collection: English

Access
While the majority of the records are open for research, any access restrictions are noted in the record series descriptions.

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Acquisition and Custodial History

Biography
Nolan Frizzelle, Republican, served in the California State Assembly from 1981 to 1992. He was elected in 1980 after defeating two-term Democratic incumbent Dennis Mangers.
During his Assembly term he represented the 69th Assembly District, encompassing the Orange County cities of Huntington Beach, Fountain Valley, Costa Mesa, Irvine, and a portion of Santa Ana.
Frizzelle was born on October 18, 1921 in Los Angeles, California. He attended Beverly Hills High School, Stanford University, UC Berkeley, and UCLA. He took a temporary hiatus from college, while he served in the U.S. Marines during World War II. Frizzelle practiced optometry in Los Angeles and Newport Beach after receiving a doctoral degree in optometry from the Southern California College of Optometry.
Frizzelle’s association with the Republican Party predates his election to the California State Assembly. On March 19, 1964, Frizzelle defeated Vernon Davis of Fresno for president of the California Republican Assembly, a volunteer political organization. Under Frizzelle’s leadership, the California Republican Assembly supported Barry Goldwater as Republican Presidential Candidate. During the 1964 Republican National Convention, he served as one of California’s delegates. Later, he served on the California Republican Central Committee, the Los Angeles County Republican Committee, and the Costa Mesa Republican Assembly. Frizzelle passed away on January 31, 2013. He is survived by his wife, Ina, and six children.

As a member in the State Assembly, Frizzelle’s legislative interests were varied and included business growth, opposition to gun control laws, healthcare, public employee retirement, and public safety. He also authored numerous bills related to toll roads, providing the legislative framework that established pay-as-you-drive roads in Orange County and Riverside County.

During his term in the California Legislature, Frizzelle served on the following committees according to the California Legislature at Sacramento (Handbooks), Assembly Final History, and Pocket Directory of the California Legislature.

Standing Committees
Health, 1983-1986
Labor and Employment, 1981-1982
*Vice Chair, 1981-1982
Natural Resources, 1989-1992
Public Employees and Retirement, 1983-1984
Public Safety, 1985-1986
Revenue and Tax, 1987-1988
Transportation, 1981-1986
*Vice Chair, 1985-1986

Subcommittees
Agricultural Labor Relations (Labor and Employment), 1981-1982
Child Labor (Labor and Employment), 1981-1982
Health Personnel (Health), 1985-1986
*Chair, 1985-1986
Health and Human Services (Health), 1991-1992

Select Committee
California Youth, 1981-1982

Joint Committees
Legislative Audit, 1989-1992
Legislative Retirement, 1983-1984

State’s Economy, 1983-1990

Scope and Content


The Correspondence series contains materials reflecting upon Frizzelle’s political activities during his tenure with the California State legislature. Notable subjects discussed in the correspondence include governmental organization, child...
welfare, public employees and retirement, senior healthcare, and transportation.

**Accruals**
No further accruals are expected.

**Indexing Terms**
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library’s online public access catalog.

Frizzelle, Nolan
California. Public Employees' Retirement System
Child welfare - California
Transportation - California
California. Legislature. Assembly. Health Committee

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**LP461:1-54**

**Series 1 Bill Files 1981-1992**

**Physical Description:** 54 file folders

**Arrangement**
Arranged chronologically by legislative session, then numerically by bill number.

**Scope and Content Note**
Bill files were created by Nolan Frizzelle while he served as an Assembly Member from 1981 to 1992. The files may include bill analyses, amendments and resolutions, author’s statements, testimony, press releases, reports, newspaper clippings, correspondence, and committee statements that pertain to numerous issues of concern to Frizzelle.


1985-1986: AB368-AB4176, AJR48-64 (14ff) LP461:13-26
1989-1990: AB458-AB4133, ACR82 (8ff) LP461:37-44
1991-1992: AB127-AB3503 (10ff) LP461:45-54

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**Series 2 Correspondence 1981-1992**

**Physical Description:** 32 file folders

**Arrangement**
Arranged alphabetically by folder title.

**Scope and Content Note**
Sampled correspondence includes communication between Nolan Frizzelle and his fellow legislators, constituents, and agencies and organizations affected by specific legislation during his time in the State Assembly. The subjects of the correspondence pertain to Frizzelle's political interests, including governmental organization, child welfare, public employees and retirement, senior healthcare, and transportation.
Series 3 Photographs 1981-1992

Physical Description: 1 file folder

Arrangement
Arranged chronologically by date.

Scope and Content Note
This series includes photographs and negatives of Nolan Frizzelle during his State Assembly term. Included in this series are official legislative headshots, photographs of fundraising and political events, and a photograph of Frizzelle with former U.S. President George H.W. Bush.