



NEVADA LEGISLATURE
NEVADA SILVER HAired LEGISLATIVE FORUM
(*Nevada Revised Statutes 437A.320 through 437A.400*)

SUMMARY MINUTES AND ACTION REPORT

The third meeting of the 2005-2006 interim for the Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum was held on March 3, 2006, at 10 a.m. in Room 4401 of the Grant Sawyer State Office Building, 555 East Washington Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada, with videoconferencing to Room 3138, Legislative Building, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada, and to Berg Hall Conference Room, Great Basin Community College, 1500 College Parkway, Elko, Nevada. A copy of this set of "Summary Minutes and Action Report," including the "Meeting Notice and Agenda" ([Exhibit A](#)) and other substantive exhibits, is available on the Nevada Legislature's Web site at <http://www.leg.state.nv.us/73rd/Interim/>. In addition, copies of the audio record may be purchased through the Legislative Counsel Bureau's Publications Office (e-mail: publications@lcb.state.nv.us; telephone: 775/684-6835).

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT IN LAS VEGAS:

Thelma Clark, Vice-President
Alice Adams
Evelyn Cannestra
Robert McCune
Lucy Peres
Herbert W. Perry
Herbert E. Randall, Ed.D.
Mary D. Roberts
Mimi Rodden
Ronald E. Stoller
Harriet Trudell

COMMITTEE MEMBER PRESENT IN ELKO:

Ray B. Jones

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Verlia Davis Hoggard, President
Robert E. Erickson
Ruth H. Hart
Bebe Hoffman
Donald Kirkwood
Jane Maxfield
Margaret Spooner
Carolyn Stephens

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL BUREAU STAFF PRESENT:

Barbara S. Dimmitt, Senior Research Analyst, Research Division
Nenita Wasserman, Senior Research Secretary, Research Division
Gabriela Anguiano, Senior Research Technician, Research Division
Melisa Aguon, Secretary/IS Support Specialist, Administrative Division, Las Vegas
Office

INTRODUCTIONS AND OPENING REMARKS

Forum Vice-President Thelma Clark called the meeting to order in the absence of Verlia Davis Hoggard, Forum President, at 10:02 a.m. Roll was called, and a quorum was determined to be present. In her opening remarks, the Vice-President conveyed the President's suggestion that Forum members begin thinking about ideas for legislative proposals for the 2007 Session of the Nevada Legislature. Vice-President Clark also introduced Herbert E. Randall, Ed.D., who was attending his first regular meeting as the Forum's most recent appointee.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 4, 2005, MEETING

FOLLOWING A MOTION BY ROBERT McCUNE, SECONDED BY HERBERT W. PERRY, THE MEMBERS APPROVED THE SUMMARY MINUTES AND ACTION REPORT OF THE FORUM MEETING HELD IN LAS VEGAS ON NOVEMBER 4, 2005, AS CORRECTED TO ELIMINATE AN ERROR IN THE LISTING OF ATTENDING MEMBERS.

REPORT ON RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE NATIONAL SILVER HAIRED CONGRESS

- Herbert W. Perry, Silver Representative to the National Silver Haired Congress and Chair of the Nevada Delegation, summarized the recommendations adopted by the Congress at its annual meeting held in Washington, D.C., from February 18 through February 22, 2006. He provided information on the top five recommendations of the Congress; four resolutions submitted to the Congress by the Nevada Delegation; and the top ten resolutions of the 2005 White House Conference on Aging ([Exhibit B](#)).
- Vice-President Clark highlighted House Resolution 916 and Senate Bill 438 to repeal the cap on Medicare reimbursement of outpatient rehabilitation therapy ([Exhibit C](#)).

PRESENTATION ON EXPLOITATION OF THE ELDERLY THROUGH CYBER CRIMES, FRAUDULENT SCHEMES, AND IDENTITY THEFT

- The Forum received a presentation on identity theft and other fraudulent schemes and cyber crimes from Jo Anne C. Embry, Project Director, Senior Medicare Fraud Patrol Project, Nevada Department of Justice, Office of the Attorney General ([Exhibit D](#)). Two other employees of the Office of the Attorney General—James D. Earl, Executive Director, Technological Crimes, and John R. McGlamery, Deputy Attorney General, Bureau of Consumer Protection—contributed to this presentation. Ms. Embry also shared a draft of a legislative proposal to establish a Senior Protection Unit in the Office of the Attorney General that the Office was developing ([Exhibit E](#)).

- Mr. McCune suggested the Forum consider taking the following actions:
 - 1) Endorse the legislative proposal of the Office of the Attorney General to establish a Senior Protection Unit, if the proposal is completed and legislation is introduced;
 - 2) Recommend legislation to require that any person making contact with individuals over 60 years of age for the purpose of discussing financial matters or offering investment opportunities must be registered and approved to engage in such activities by Nevada's Office of the Secretary of State; and
 - 3) Recommend that the Nevada Legislature work with the National Conference of State Legislatures to advocate federal legislation requiring regulation of persons making contact with individuals over 60 years of age for the purpose of discussing financial matters or offering investment opportunities.
- The Forum received a memorandum from Barbara S. Dimmitt, Senior Research Analyst, Research Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, to Forum President Hoggard summarizing recent legislation enacted in Nevada relating to identity theft ([Exhibit F](#)).

Several members having left, a quorum no longer was present. The meeting continued with the remaining members acting as a subcommittee.

PUBLIC COMMENT

David Love, Coordinator, Grandparents Navigation Project, provided information on a variety of proposals being advocated by the Project ([Exhibit G](#)). He asked the Forum to consider these proposals at a future meeting.

ADDITIONAL DISCUSSIONS

- Vice-President Clark asked Forum members to urge Congressional representatives to pass House Resolution 916 and Senate Bill 438 to repeal the cap on outpatient rehabilitation therapy under Medicare. Discussion resulted in clarification that members advocate for passage of this legislation as individuals.
- Members discussed strategies for developing legislative proposals for the 2007 Session of the Nevada Legislature and asked staff to survey the members prior to the next meeting for comments on legislative proposals advanced during the 2005-2006 interim.
- Finally, members discussed adding an update on assistance available to Medicare Part D enrollees and potential enrollees to the next agenda and rescheduling some future meetings to Thursday or Wednesday, if possible.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Forum, the meeting was adjourned at 1:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara S. Dimmitt
Senior Research Analyst

Harriet Trudell
Forum Secretary

APPROVED BY:

Verlia Davis Hoggard, Forum President

Date: _____

LIST OF EXHIBITS

[Exhibit A](#) is the Meeting Notice and Agenda provided by Barbara S. Dimmitt, Senior Research Analyst, Research Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB), Carson City, Nevada.

[Exhibit B](#) is a document titled, “Ninth Session National Silver Haired Congress - “Top Five Resolutions” dated February 18 – 22, 2006, including four resolutions submitted to the Congress by the Nevada Delegation and the top ten resolutions of the 2005 White House Conference on Aging.

[Exhibit C](#) is a document titled “House Resolution 916 from the 109th Congress, 1st Session.”

[Exhibit D](#) is a presentation titled, “Senior Protection” provided by Jo Anne C. Embry, Program Officer III, Senior Medicare Fraud Patrol Project, Nevada Department of Justice, Office of the Attorney General.

[Exhibit E](#) is a document titled “Office of the Attorney General, Nevada Department of Justice, Senior Protection Unit, BDR 116, Draft Legislation.”

[Exhibit F](#) is a memorandum from Barbara S. Dimmitt, Senior Research Analyst, Research Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau, to Verlia Davis Hoggard, President, Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum, dated March 1, 2006.

[Exhibit G](#) is a document titled “Grandparents Navigation Project” provided by David Love, Coordinator, Grandparents Navigation Project.

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