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Senator Moises Denis, Chair  
Interim Finance Committee  
Nevada Legislature  
401 South Carson Street  
Carson City, NV 89701

Re: Forensic Facility Agenda Items D 130 and 131

Dear Chair Denis,

On behalf of the Office of the Clark County District Attorney, I write to express my support for Item D, Numbers 130 and 131, which would increase the number of forensic beds used to treat offenders to competency pursuant to NRS 178.425.

Criminal defendants are being evaluated for competency at increasing levels. Current wait times for those in need of restorative treatment are unacceptable. The delays work to the detriment of victims and defendants alike. Moreover, our cases are being placed at risk of dismissal based upon claims of constitutional violations made by the defense bar throughout the State.

These beds are needed now. There is no reasonable alternative to this critical challenge facing the criminal justice system in our State.

Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

CHRISTOPHER J. LALLI  
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