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SUNSET SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION

SUBCOMMITTEE BRIEF

2023-2024 INTERIM January 2024

INTRODUCTION

This brief provides information on the Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission, including; membership; Subcommittee responsibilities; an overview of the work of the Subcommittee during the 2021–2022 Legislative Interim meeting dates; and Subcommittee staff contact information.

MEMBERSHIP

The Subcommittee is comprised of six legislators appointed by legislative leaders—three voting members from the Senate, three voting members from the Assembly—and three nonvoting members of the public appointed by the Chair of the Legislative Commission from nominations submitted by the Governor. The Chair and Vice Chair are elected by the voting members of the Subcommittee.

The following legislators have been appointed to the Subcommittee:

- Senator Richard "Skip" Daly;
- Senator Ira Hansen;
- Senator Roberta Lange;
- Assemblywoman Shea Backus;
- Assemblywoman Elaine Marzola; and
- Assemblyman P.K. O'Neill.

SUBCOMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

The Sunset Subcommittee is a permanent subcommittee of the Legislative Commission whose authorization and duties are set forth in *Nevada Revised Statutes* (NRS) <u>232B.210</u>.

The Subcommittee's primary duties are to: (1) conduct a review of all boards, commissions, and similar entities in Nevada which are created by statute, and determine whether each entity should be continued, modified, consolidated with another entity, or terminated; (2) recommend improvements to the entities that are to be continued, modified, or consolidated; and (3) determine whether any tax exemptions, abatements, or money set aside for an entity should be continued, modified, or terminated. Pursuant to NRS 232B.220, the Subcommittee must review at least ten boards each interim.

In addition, the Subcommittee is required to review certain information and determine whether restrictions based on the criminal history of an applicant for a practice authorization issued by a regulatory body are appropriate. The Subcommittee must include any suggestions for modification, continuation, or removal of such restrictions in its recommendations for appropriate direct legislative action to the Legislative Commission (NRS 232B.237 and 232B.250).



PAST COMMITTEE ACTION

The Subcommittee selected the following 18 boards, commissions, and other entities for review during the 2021–2022 Interim, listed in order of statutory citation:

- 1. Advisory Committee to the Juvenile Justice Oversight Commission (NRS 62B.605);
- 2. Advisory Council on Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (NRS 223.640);
- 3. Commission to Review the Compensation of Constitutional Officers, Legislators, Supreme Court Justices, Judges of the Court of Appeals, District Judges and Elected County Officers (NRS 281.1571);
- Merit Award Board (<u>NRS 285.030</u>);
- 5. Executive Council of the Land Use Planning Advisory Council (NRS 321.755);
- State Historical Records Advisory Board (<u>NRS 378A.030</u>);
- 7. Advisory Council for Family Engagement (NRS 385.610);
- 8. Commission on Educational Technology (NRS 388.790);
- 9. Committee for the Statewide Alert System (NRS 432.350);
- 10. Subcommittee on Patient-Centered Medical Homes (NRS 439.519);
- 11. Committee on Anatomical Dissection (NRS 451.360);
- 12. Committee on Testing for Intoxication (NRS 484C.600);
- 13. Appeals Panel for Industrial Insurance (NRS 616B.760);
- 14. Nevada Board of Homeopathic Medical Examiners (NRS 630A.100);
- 15. Medical Laboratory Advisory Committee (NRS 652.160);
- 16. Credit Union Advisory Council (NRS 672.290);
- 17. Nevada Transportation Authority (NRS 706.1511); and
- 18. Nevada Taxicab Authority (NRS 706.8818).

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS

At the conclusion of the 2021–2022 Interim, the Sunset Subcommittee approved recommendations for legislation related to 15 boards, committees, and commissions. Additionally, the Subcommittee recommended legislation to increase the diversity of members of certain boards; to address membership vacancies on certain boards; to have the Chair and Vice Chair of the Subcommittee be appointed by the Chair of the Legislative Commission; and to revise reporting requirements of certain regulatory bodies concerning restrictions based on the criminal history of applicants for occupational or professional licenses.



The results of the recommended legislation can be seen in the following chart:

BDR	Summary	Bill	Status
23-896	Makes various changes relating to State boards and commissions.	AB 239	Chapter 507
R-897	ACR: Directs the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Growth and Infrastructure to conduct a study of the laws administered by the Nevada Transportation Authority and the Taxicab Authority.	ACR 3	Failed
18-898	Provides for the termination of certain State boards and commissions.	SB 210	Vetoed
18-899	Revises provisions governing State boards and commissions.	SB 214	Chapter 60

ENTITIES RECOMMENDED FOR CONTINUATION WITH ADDITIONAL ACTIONS AND REPORTING

The Subcommittee approved sending a letter to the Homeopathic Medical Examiners Board requesting an update from the Board during the 2023–2024 Interim concerning the Board's composition, licensing, operations, and efforts to work with the Office of the Attorney General to assess the possibility of waiving debt owed to the Office by the Board, which was sent on June 16, 2022, and can be viewed on the <u>Subcommittee's webpage</u>.

SUBCOMMITTEE SCHEDULE

As a subcommittee of the Legislative Commission, the Subcommittee does not have a budgeted number of meetings. Rather, pursuant to statute, the Subcommittee may determine its own workload and must complete its work by June 30, 2024. Presently, the Subcommittee has scheduled six meetings, as follows:

- Friday, January 26, 2024;
- Tuesday, February 27, 2024;
- Wednesday, March 27, 2024;
- Tuesday, April 23, 2024;
- Friday, May 17, 2024; and
- Friday, June 14, 2024.

These dates are subject to revision as necessary, and staff will notify members and the public of any changes.



STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION

The following Legislative Counsel Bureau staff members will provide support for the Subcommittee during the 2023–2024 Interim.

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