NEVADA REVISED STATUTES (NRS) GOVERNING THE NEVADA SILVER HAIRED LEGISLATIVE FORUM

NRS 427A.313 Definitions. As used in <u>NRS 427A.313</u> to <u>427A.400</u>, inclusive, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in <u>NRS 427A.315</u> and <u>427A.317</u> have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

(Added to NRS by 2019, 593)

NRS 427A.315 "Forum" defined. "Forum" means the Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum created by NRS 427A.320.

(Added to NRS by 2019, 593)

NRS 427A.317 "President" defined. "President" means the person elected to serve as President of the Forum pursuant to NRS 427A.370.

(Added to NRS by <u>2019</u>, <u>593</u>)

NRS 427A.320 Creation. The Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum is hereby created to identify and act upon issues of importance to aging persons.

(Added to NRS by 1997, 2724; A 2001, 3026)

NRS 427A.330 Nomination, appointment and terms of members.

- 1. The Legislative Commission shall appoint to the Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum a number of members equal to the number of State Senators. The persons appointed to the Forum must be the persons nominated pursuant to this section. Each member of the Senate shall, after consulting with the members of the Assembly who reside within his or her senatorial district, nominate a person who meets the requirements for appointment to the Forum set forth in NRS 427A.340.
- 2. Appointments to the Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum must be made by the Legislative Commission before December 31 of the second year of a member's term. After the initial terms, each member of the Forum serves a term of 2 years. Each member of the Forum continues to serve until a successor is appointed.

(Added to NRS by 1997, 2724; A 2001, 3026; 2007, 3308)

NRS 427A.340 Qualifications of members. To be eligible for appointment as a member of the Forum pursuant to NRS 427A.330, a person must:

- 1. Have been a resident of this state for 5 years immediately preceding his or her appointment;
- 2. Have been a registered voter in the senatorial district of the Senator who nominated the member for 3 years immediately preceding his or her appointment; and
 - 3. Be at least 60 years of age on the day that he or she is appointed. (Added to NRS by 1997, 2724; A 2001, 3027; 2019, 594)

NRS 427A.350 Ex officio membership in Forum of member of National Silver Haired Congress.

1. Members of the National Silver Haired Congress from this State shall serve as ex officio members of the Forum. If a member of the National Silver Haired Congress ceases to be a

member of the National Silver Haired Congress, the ex officio membership of that person in the Forum terminates. Except as otherwise provided in this section and NRS 427A.370, an ex officio member of the Forum has the same rights and responsibilities as the members who are appointed pursuant to NRS 427A.330.

- 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, ex officio members of the Forum are nonvoting members.
- 3. A member of the National Silver Haired Congress from this State who is an ex officio member of the Forum may vote on a matter considered by the Forum if he or she:
- (a) Has been a resident of this State for 5 years immediately preceding the date of a meeting at which the Forum will vote on a matter considered by the Forum; and
- (b) Is at least 60 years of age on the date of a meeting at which the Forum will vote on a matter considered by the Forum.

(Added to NRS by 1997, 2724; A 2019, 594)

NRS 427A.360 Vacancies in membership.

- 1. A position in the Forum to which a member is appointed pursuant to <u>NRS 427A.330</u> becomes vacant upon:
 - (a) The death or resignation of such a member.
- (b) The illness of such a member that prevents the member from attending three consecutive meetings of the Forum, unless excused by the President.
- (c) The absence of such a member for any reason from three consecutive meetings of the Forum, unless excused by the President.
- 2. If a vacancy occurs in a position in the Forum to which a member is appointed pursuant to NRS 427A.330, the Legislative Commission shall fill the vacancy in the same manner as the original selection for the remainder of the unexpired term. The Legislative Commission may appoint a person whose membership in the National Silver Haired Congress has ended to fill such a vacancy in the Forum.

(Added to NRS by 1997, 2725; A 2001, 3027; 2005, 460; 2019, 594)

NRS 427A.370 Election, terms and duties of officers; assistance from Legislative Counsel Bureau.

- 1. The Forum shall elect from among its members appointed pursuant to NRS 427A.330:
- (a) A President who shall conduct meetings and oversee the formation of committees as necessary to accomplish the purposes of the Forum and who shall serve a term of 2 years beginning on September 1.
- (b) A Vice President who shall assist the President and conduct meetings of the Forum if the President is absent or otherwise unable to perform his or her duties and who shall serve a term of 1 year beginning on September 1 of each year.
- (c) Two facilitators, one of whom resides in northern Nevada and one of whom resides in southern Nevada, who shall gather information on issues of importance to senior citizens and provide a report at each meeting of the Forum on the information gathered by the facilitators and who shall serve a term of 2 years beginning on September 1.
- 2. The President and Vice President shall coordinate and facilitate the activities and meetings of the Forum.
- 3. A member of the Forum appointed pursuant to <u>NRS 427A.330</u> shall not serve more than two terms as President.

4. The Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau shall provide such persons as are necessary to assist the Forum in carrying out its duties.

(Added to NRS by 1997, 2725; A 2001, 3027; 2005, 460; 2019, 595)

NRS 427A.375 Appointment of advisory members of Forum; eligibility for appointment; reappointment; termination of appointment.

- 1. The Forum may, by the affirmative vote of a majority of its membership who are qualified to vote, appoint one or more persons to serve as advisory members of the Forum. An advisory member appointed pursuant to this subsection may not vote on any matter before the Forum.
- 2. Before voting upon the appointment of an advisory member pursuant to subsection 1, the Forum shall prescribe:
 - (a) The title and duties of the advisory member; and
 - (b) The term of office of the advisory member, which must not exceed 12 months.
- 3. To be eligible for appointment as an advisory member pursuant to subsection 1, a person must:
- (a) Have been a resident of this State for at least 3 years immediately preceding his or her appointment; and
 - (b) Be at least 50 years of age on the day that he or she is appointed.
- 4. A person appointed to serve as an advisory member of the Forum pursuant to subsection 1 may be reappointed for additional terms as an advisory member in the same manner as the original appointment.
- 5. The membership of an advisory member appointed pursuant to subsection 1 in the Forum terminates upon:
 - (a) The death or resignation of the advisory member;
 - (b) The expiration of the term for which the advisory member has been appointed;
- (c) The affirmative vote of a majority of the membership of the Forum that is qualified to vote to terminate the membership of the advisory member; or
- (d) The absence of the advisory member for any reason from three consecutive meetings of the Forum, unless excused by the President.

(Added to NRS by 2019, 593)

NRS 427A.380 Public hearings; meetings; formation of committees; compliance with Open Meeting Law.

- 1. The Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum may, within the limits of legislative appropriations and any gifts, grants or donations received by the Forum:
- (a) During the period in which the Legislature is not in a regular session, hold three or more public hearings in this State.
- (b) During the period in which the Legislature is in a regular session, meet as often as necessary to conduct the business of the Forum.
- (c) Form committees, which may meet as often as necessary to conduct the business of the Forum.
- 2. The Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum and its committees shall comply with the provisions of <u>chapter 241</u> of NRS.

(Added to NRS by 1997, 2725; A 2001, 3028; 2003, 647; 2005, 461)

NRS 427A.390 Powers. The Forum may:

- 1. Submit a report containing recommendations for legislative action to the Legislative Commission and the Governor before September 1 of each even-numbered year.
- 2. Accept gifts, grants and donations that must be deposited in an account established pursuant to NRS 427A.395.
- 3. Adopt procedures to conduct meetings of the Forum and committees thereof. Those procedures may be changed upon approval of a majority vote of all members of the Forum who are qualified to vote and are present and voting.

(Added to NRS by 1997, 2725; A 2001, 3028; 2005, 461; 2019, 595)

NRS 427A.395 Duties concerning money received and expenses incurred.

- 1. All money received by the Forum must be deposited in a bank, credit union or other financial institution in this state and paid out on its order for its expenses.
- 2. The President, with the assistance of the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau, shall administer any account established pursuant to subsection 1.
- 3. All expenses incurred by the Forum in carrying out the provisions of <u>NRS 427A.313</u> to <u>427A.400</u>, inclusive, must be paid from an account established pursuant to subsection 1. (Added to NRS by <u>2001</u>, <u>3026</u>; A <u>2019</u>, <u>596</u>)

NRS 427A.400 Compensation of members. Within the limits of legislative appropriations, and any gifts, grants and donations, each member appointed pursuant to NRS 427A.330, each ex officio member and each advisory member appointed pursuant to NRS 427A.375 is entitled to receive for attendance at a meeting of the Forum or a committee thereof the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally.

(Added to NRS by 1997, 2726; A 2001, 3028; 2019, 596)