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In the last legislative session, SB 78 intended to begin the process of reforming how the many state boards and commissions operate. It failed to emerge from committee hearings.

Acknowledging that the Sunset Committee lacks sufficient time to review the hundreds of boards and commissions in depth, a conversation with Assemblymember Tracy Brown- May suggested that the Legislative Commission would be an appropriate forum to present an alternative method.

A citizens committee would be composed of individuals with specific requirements, vetted first by the state Department of Personnel, with 12 finalists submitted to the Legislature for review and approval.

The Department of Administration and Governor's Office of Finance would create summary information about each board and commission. Business and Industry would facilitate Zoom meetings and act as secretary and technical advisor to the committee.

Tasks would include evaluating elimination and consolidation, ensuring proportionate representation of all Nevadans, balancing technical skills with the concern of regulatory capture, recommending an ongoing nominee review process, creating a list of standard qualifications, and ensuring universal remote access to all board and commission meetings.

An outline of the particulars will be submitted to the LCB for inclusion in the meeting minutes.