

V. Designation of Membership of Legislative Interim Committees

During the 2025 Legislative Session the Legislature passed [Assembly Bill 256](#) (Chapter 77, *Statutes of Nevada 2025*, at page 417) directing the Legislative Commission to appoint a Regional Rail Transit Advisory Working Group to conduct an interim study relating to regional rail transit in regional communities; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. Below is a recommended change to the membership and recommended nonvoting members to the Working Group:

- Ross Kinson to replace previously appointed Richard Landon representing a labor union representing rail or public transit employees in Washoe County

Nonvoting members:

- Ann Barnett, Chief Executive Officer, Nevada Contractors Association;
- Chris Burke, Vice President of Regional Operations, Granite Construction, Inc.;
- Gabe Christenson, Nevada Safety and Legislative Director, International Association of Sheet Metal, Air, Rail and Transportation Workers;
- Ed Lawson, Mayor, City of Sparks, Nevada; and
- Tara Frank, Nevada's Department of Transportation.

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The Honorable Sandra Jauregui, Chair
Legislative Commission
401 South Carson Street
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Dear Chair Jauregui and Members of the Legislative Commission:

As Chair of the Regional Rail Transit Advisory Working Group, created by [Assembly Bill 256](#) (2025), I am respectfully requesting the Legislative Commission to appoint certain nonvoting members to the Working Group and to make a change to one of the voting member appointments.

First, pursuant to AB 256, the Legislative Commission may appoint nonvoting members to advise or assist the Working Group in its duties. To ensure we have representation from people and industries who can lend their perspectives and expertise to our work, I am requesting the following nonvoting members be appointed:

- Ann Barnett, Chief Executive Officer, Nevada Contractors Association;
- Chris Burke, Vice President of Regional Operations, Granite Construction, Inc.;
- Gabe Christenson, Nevada Safety and Legislative Director, International Association of Sheet Metal, Air, Rail and Transportation Workers;
- Ed Lawson, Mayor, City of Sparks, Nevada; and
- Tara Frank, Nevada's Department of Transportation.

Additionally, due to availability and scheduling constraints of the currently appointed member, I am requesting the Legislative Commission appoint Ross Kinson, Teamsters Local 533, and President, Northern Nevada Central Labor Council, as the Working Group member who "represents a labor union representing rail or public transit employees in Washoe County." With the approval of this request, Mr. Kinson would take over for the currently appointed member, Richard Landon.

Thank you for your consideration of this request, and please contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Max E. Carter II".

Assemblymember Max E. Carter II, Chair
Regional Rail Transit Advisory Working Group

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