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PROPOSED AMENDMENT 7047 TO  
ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 485

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EXPLANATION: Matter in (1) *blue bold italics* is new language in the original bill; (2) variations of green bold underlining is language proposed to be added in this amendment; (3) ~~red strikethrough~~ is deleted language in the original bill; (4) ~~purple double strikethrough~~ is language proposed to be deleted in this amendment; (5) orange double underlining is deleted language in the original bill proposed to be retained in this amendment.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN  
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1     **Section 1.** NRS 223.610 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
2     223.610 The Director of the Office of Science, Innovation and  
3     Technology shall:  
4         1. Advise the Governor and the Executive Director of the Office of  
5     Economic Development on matters relating to science, innovation and  
6     technology.  
7         2. Work in coordination with the Office of Economic Development to  
8     establish criteria and goals for economic development and diversification  
9     in this State in the areas of science, innovation and technology.  
10        3. As directed by the Governor , ~~and the Executive Director of the~~  
11     ~~Office of Economic Development,~~ identify, recommend and carry out  
12     policies related to science, innovation and technology.  
13        4. Report periodically to the Executive Director of the Office of  
14     Economic Development concerning the administration of the policies and  
15     programs of the Office of Science, Innovation and Technology.

1 5. ~~{Develop and coordinate efforts to attract biotechnological~~  
2 ~~companies to}~~ *Coordinate activities in this State ~~{}~~ relating to the*  
3 *planning, mapping and procurement of broadband service.*

4 6. ~~{Establish and maintain a clearinghouse of information regarding~~  
5 ~~biotechnological business}~~ *Provide support to the Advisory Council on*  
6 *Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics and direct the*  
7 *implementation in this State ~~{}~~ of plans developed by the Council*  
8 *concerning, without limitation, workforce development, college*  
9 *preparedness and economic development.*

10 7. In carrying out his or her duties pursuant to this section, consult  
11 with the Executive Director of the Office of Economic Development and  
12 cooperate with the Executive Director in implementing the State Plan for  
13 Economic Development developed by the Executive Director pursuant to  
14 subsection 2 of NRS 231.053.

15 8. *Administer such grants as are provided by legislative*  
16 *appropriation.*

17 **Sec. 2.** NRS 385.700 is hereby amended to read as follows:

18 385.700 1. The Advisory Council on Science, Technology,  
19 Engineering and Mathematics is hereby created within the ~~{Department of~~  
20 ~~Education.}~~ *Office of Science, Innovation and Technology.* The Council  
21 consists of:

22 (a) The following ex officio members:

23 (1) The Superintendent of Public Instruction or his or her designee;

24 (2) The Chancellor of the Nevada System of Higher Education or  
25 his or her designee;

26 (3) The Executive Director of the Office of Economic Development  
27 or his or her designee; and

28 (4) The Director of the Department of Employment, Training and  
29 Rehabilitation or his or her designee;

30 (b) Three members appointed by the Governor pursuant to subsection  
31 2;

32 (c) ~~{Four members One member}~~ Two members appointed by the  
33 Majority Leader of the Senate pursuant to ~~{subsections 2 and 3.}~~  
34 subsection 2;

35 (d) ~~{Four members One member}~~ Two members appointed by the  
36 Speaker of the Assembly pursuant to ~~{subsections 2 and 3.}~~ subsection 2;

37 (e) ~~{One member}~~ Two members appointed by the Minority Leader of  
38 the Senate pursuant to subsection ~~{4.}~~ 2; and

39 (f) ~~{One member}~~ Two members appointed by the Minority Leader of  
40 the Assembly pursuant to subsection ~~{4.}~~ subsection 2.

41 2. The Governor, Majority Leader *and Minority Leader* of the Senate  
42 and Speaker *and Minority Leader* of the Assembly shall ~~{each appoint:~~

43 ~~—(a) One member who is a classroom teacher in the field of science,~~  
44 ~~technology, engineering or mathematics;~~

1 ~~—(b) One member who is an administrator of a public school or school~~  
2 ~~district in this State with an education program relating to the fields of~~  
3 ~~science, technology, engineering and mathematics; and~~

4 ~~—(c) One member who represents businesses that employ persons in~~  
5 ~~careers which are enhanced by education in science, technology,~~  
6 ~~engineering and mathematics, including, without limitation, careers~~  
7 ~~relating to manufacturing, information technology, aerospace engineering,~~  
8 ~~health sciences and mining.~~

9 ~~—3. The Majority Leader of the Senate and the Speaker of the~~  
10 ~~Assembly shall each appoint one additional member from among the~~  
11 ~~persons described in paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of subsection 2.~~

12 ~~—4. The Minority Leader of the Senate and the Minority Leader of the~~  
13 ~~Assembly shall each appoint one member from among the persons~~  
14 ~~described in paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of subsection 2.~~

15 ~~—5.] coordinate their respective appointments of members to the~~  
16 ~~Council:~~

17 ~~(a) On a geographic basis to ensure statewide representation;~~

18 ~~(b) To ensure representation from:~~

19 ~~(1) Classroom teachers **or administrators** in the field of~~  
20 ~~science, technology, engineering or mathematics;~~

21 ~~(2) Higher education in the field of science, technology,~~  
22 ~~engineering or mathematics; and~~

23 ~~(3) Businesses operating in the sectors relating to science,~~  
24 ~~technology, engineering or mathematics.~~

25 ~~3. Any vacancy occurring in the membership of the Council must be~~  
26 ~~filled in the same manner as the original appointment not later than 30~~  
27 ~~days after the vacancy occurs.~~

28 ~~[6.—The Council shall hold its first regular meeting as soon as~~  
29 ~~practicable on or after July 1, 2013, at the call of the Governor. At the first~~  
30 ~~regular meeting of the Council, the members of the Council shall elect a~~  
31 ~~Chair by majority vote.~~

32 ~~—7.] 4. The Council shall meet ~~[not more than four]~~ **at least six** times~~  
33 ~~each year at the call of the Chair. **Two meetings of the Council must be**~~  
34 ~~**held in person and any other meeting may be held by videoconference.**~~

35 ~~[8.] 5. A majority of the members of the Council constitutes a~~  
36 ~~quorum for the transaction of business, and a majority of those members~~  
37 ~~present at any meeting is sufficient for any official action taken by the~~  
38 ~~Council.~~

39 ~~[9.] 6. The Chair may appoint such subcommittees of the Council as~~  
40 ~~the Chair determines necessary to carry out the duties of the Council.~~

41 ~~[10.] 7. The members of the Council serve without compensation ~~]~~~~  
42 ~~**but are entitled to receive:**~~

43 ~~**(a) The per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state**~~  
44 ~~**officers and employees generally while engaged in the official business**~~  
45 ~~**of the Council; and**~~

1 ~~(b) Reimbursement for any other actual and reasonable expenses~~  
2 ~~incurred while performing his or her duties.~~

3 **Sec. 3.** NRS 385.705 is hereby amended to read as follows:

4 385.705 1. The Advisory Council on Science, Technology,  
5 Engineering and Mathematics created by NRS 385.700 shall:

6 (a) Develop a strategic plan for the development of educational  
7 resources in the fields of science, technology, engineering and  
8 mathematics to serve as a foundation for workforce development, college  
9 preparedness and economic development in this State;

10 (b) Develop a plan for identifying and awarding recognition to pupils  
11 in this State who demonstrate exemplary achievement in the fields of  
12 science, technology, engineering and mathematics;

13 (c) Develop a plan for identifying and awarding recognition to not  
14 more than 15 schools in this State that demonstrate exemplary performance  
15 in the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics;

16 (d) Conduct a survey of education programs and proposed programs  
17 relating to the fields of science, technology, engineering and mathematics  
18 in this State and in other states to identify recommendations for the  
19 implementation of such programs by public schools *and institutions of*  
20 *higher education* in this State and report the information gathered by the  
21 survey to the State Board of Education ~~{;}~~ *and the Board of Regents of the*  
22 *University of Nevada;*

23 (e) Apply for grants on behalf of the State of Nevada relating to the  
24 development and expansion of education programs in the fields of science,  
25 technology, engineering and mathematics;

26 (f) Identify a nonprofit corporation to assist in the implementation of  
27 the plans developed pursuant to paragraphs (a), (b) and (c); ~~{and}~~

28 (g) Prepare a written report which includes, without limitation,  
29 recommendations based on the survey conducted pursuant to paragraph (d)  
30 and any other recommendations concerning the instruction and curriculum  
31 in courses of study in science, technology, engineering and mathematics in  
32 public schools in this State and, on or before January 31 of each odd-  
33 numbered year, submit a copy of the report to the State Board of  
34 Education, *the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada*, the  
35 Governor and the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for  
36 transmittal to the Legislature ~~{;}~~ *and*

37 *(h) Conduct surveys for and make recommendations as deemed*  
38 *necessary to the Office of Economic Development and the Governor's*  
39 *Workforce Investment Board.*

40 2. *Each year the Council:*

41 *(a) Shall establish an event in southern Nevada and an event in*  
42 *northern Nevada to recognize pupils in this State who demonstrate*  
43 *exemplary achievement in the fields of science, technology, engineering*  
44 *and mathematics. The events must be held at an institution of higher*  
45 *education in this State.*

1 (b) Shall establish a statewide event which must be held in Carson  
2 City to recognize not more than 15 schools in this State that have  
3 demonstrated exemplary performance in the fields of science,  
4 technology, engineering and mathematics.

5 (c) May accept any gifts, grants or donations from any source for use  
6 in carrying out the provisions of this subsection.

7 3. The Council or a subcommittee of the Council may seek the input,  
8 advice and assistance of persons and organizations that have knowledge,  
9 interest or expertise relevant to the duties of the Council.

10 ~~3.~~ 4. The State Board of Education *and the Board of Regents of*  
11 *the University of Nevada* shall consider the plans developed by the  
12 Advisory Council on Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics  
13 pursuant to paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of subsection 1 and the written  
14 report submitted pursuant to paragraph (g) of subsection 1 . ~~and~~ *The*  
15 *State Board of Education shall* adopt such regulations as the State Board  
16 deems necessary to carry out the recommendations in the written report.

17 **Sec. 4.** Section 4 of chapter 235, Statutes of Nevada 2013, at page  
18 1011, is hereby amended to read as follows:

19 Sec. 4. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2013 . ~~and~~  
20 ~~expires by limitation on June 30, 2017.~~

21 **Sec. 5.** 1. Each member of the Council serves a term of 3 years  
22 commencing on July 1 of the year of appointment. The terms of the  
23 current members of the Advisory Council on Science, Technology,  
24 Engineering and Mathematics appointed pursuant to paragraphs (c) and (d)  
25 of subsection 1 of NRS 385.700 expire on July 1, 2015.

26 2. The Speaker of the Assembly shall: ~~reappoint~~  
27 (a) Reappoint one of the members whose term expired on July 1,  
28 2015, or shall appoint a new member of the Advisory Council pursuant to  
29 paragraph (d) of subsection 1 of NRS 385.700, as amended by section 2 of  
30 this act, to a term ending June 30, 2016 ~~;~~ and

31 (b) Appoint a new member of the Advisory Council pursuant to  
32 paragraph (d) of subsection 1 of NRS 385.700, as amended by section 2  
33 of this act, to a term ending June 30, 2017.

34 3. The Majority Leader of the Senate shall: ~~reappoint~~  
35 (a) Reappoint one of the members whose term expired on July 1,  
36 2015, or shall appoint a new member of the Advisory Council pursuant to  
37 paragraph (c) of subsection 1 of NRS 385.700, as amended by section 2 of  
38 this act, to a term ending June 30, 2017 ~~;~~ and

39 (b) Appoint a new member of the Advisory Council pursuant to  
40 paragraph (c) of subsection 1 of NRS 385.700, as amended by section 2  
41 of this act, to a term ending June 30, 2017.

42 **Sec. 6.** 1. This section and section 4 of this act become effective  
43 upon passage and approval.

44 2. Sections 1, 2, 3, and 5 of this act become effective:

45 (a) Upon passage and approval for the purposes of adopting  
46 regulations, appointing members to the Advisory Council on Science,

1 Technology, Engineering and Mathematics and performing any other  
2 preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the  
3 provisions of this act; and  
4 (b) On July 1, 2015, for all other purposes.

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