



Nevada Legislature

September 29, 2015

The Honorable Adam Paul Laxalt
Nevada Attorney General
Office of the Attorney General
100 North Carson Street
Carson City, NV 89701-4747

Dear Mr. Laxalt:

The 2015 Legislature approved a new Investigator position for the Office of the Attorney General (OAG), Crime Prevention budget, to assist in the investigations and prosecutions of the Human Sex Trafficking Unit, established within the OAG pursuant to Senate Bill 67 of the 2013 Legislature. The budget for the position included statewide travel costs to investigate human sex trafficking cases throughout the state, especially along the I-80 and I-15 corridors and within rural areas of the state.

With both the Human Sex Trafficking Unit and the Investigator position being new to the state, no caseload data was available to inform the money committees regarding the problem of human sex trafficking and the needs and resources of the unit. Therefore, it is the intent of the Senate Committee on Finance and the Assembly Committee on Ways and Means that the OAG provide semiannual reports to the Interim Finance Committee regarding the number of human sex trafficking cases reported, investigated and prosecuted, by geographic location, in the state. The semiannual report should also include performance measures identified or established for the Human Sex Trafficking Unit, which may be included with the submittal of the 2017-19 biennial budget request. The first semiannual report should be submitted on or before February 1, 2016, for the period covering July 1, 2015, through December 31, 2015, and within 30 days of the close of each semiannual period thereafter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ben Kieckhefer".

Ben Kieckhefer, Chair
Senate Committee on Finance

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Anderson".

Paul Anderson, Chair
Assembly Committee on Ways and Means

cc: Mike Willden, Chief of Staff, Office of the Governor
Jim Wells, Director, Governor's Finance Office
Nick Trutanich, Chief of Staff, Office of the Attorney General