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#### INTRODUCTION

The *Nevada Legislative Manual*, required under *Nevada Revised Statutes* (NRS) 218F.400, is produced each biennium by the Legislative Counsel Bureau. It is designed primarily as a reference tool for legislators. However, it is also intended for use by members of the Executive and Judicial Branches of government, representatives of private interest groups, and interested citizens.

The manual contains information pertaining to legislative structure and procedures, Legislative Counsel Bureau staff services, and administrative details for legislators. It also includes the structure and personnel of the Executive and Judicial Branches of government.

Suggestions for corrections or improvements of the manual are welcome and should be directed to the Research Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau.



The Flag of the Nevada Legislature

At its 1967 Session, the Legislature of the State of Nevada adopted an official flag, which flies outside the Legislative Building whenever the Senate and Assembly are in session in accordance with NRS 218A.175. The flag was designed by the senior government class of Tonopah High School.

# CHAPTER I MEMBERS OF THE NEVADA LEGISLATURE

# BIOGRAPHIES OF MEMBERS OF THE NEVADA SENATE



### LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR AND PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

BRIAN K. KROLICKI Republican

Born: 1960 - Warwick, Rhode Island

Educated: Stanford University, B.A., Political Science

Married: Kelly Krolicki

Children: Katherine, Caroline, Elizabeth

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** First elected Lieutenant Governor, November 2006, reelected November 2010; President of the Senate, 2007-2011—four special and three regular sessions.

AFFILIATIONS: Chair, Reno-Tahoe Winter Games Coalition, 2007-present; Aspen-Rodel Public Leadership Fellowship, 2007-present; Board, United States Intergovernmental Policy Advisory Committee on Trade, 2003-present; Nevada Renewable Energy Transmission Access Advisory Committee (Phase II), 2008-2009; State Renewable Energy and Energy Conservation Task Force, 2007-2009; Board, Desert Research Institute, 1999-2005; Board, Lake Tahoe Community College Foundation, 1998-2005; Governing Board, Davidson Academy.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS: Parkway Alumni Association Hall of Fame, Member of Charter Class; Board/Treasurer/Secretary, American Cancer Society, Southwestern United States Division; Board, American Cancer Society, Nevada Division, 1994-1997; Vice Chair, Planning Commission, Douglas County, 1991-1998; Gritz Award for Excellence in Public Finance, 2004; Unruh Award as the Nation's Most Outstanding State Treasurer, 2004; President, National Association of State Treasurers (NAST), 2002-2003; Co-Chair, NAST Committee on Corporate Governance, 2002-2006; Chair, NAST Legislative Committee, 2003-2006; Chair, NAST Foundation, 2002-2006; Toll Fellow, The Council of State Governments, 2001; President, Western State Treasurers Association, 2000-2001; Chair, NAST Credit Rating and Debt Management Committee, 2000-2001; Advisory Board, National Institute for Public Finance (Kellogg School), 1999-2008; NAST Liaison, State Debt Management Network, 1999-2001; National Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), 1998-2001; Board, GFOA Nominating Committee, 1998-2001; Board, GFOA Debt Committee, 1998-2001; President, Nevada Government Finance Officers Association, 1997-1999; Certified Government Financial Manager, Association of Government Accountants, 1996.



SHIRLEY A. BREEDEN
Democrat
Clark County Senatorial
District No. 5
Retired



Born: 1955 - Needles, California

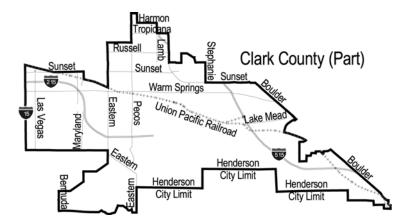
*Educated:* Clark High School; Community College of Southern Nevada—Business Administration; University of Nevada, Las Vegas (continuing education program); Clark County School District Professional Development Education Programs (personnel management issues); Leadership 2000 training

Children: Erik, Bryan, Jennifer

Grandchildren: Alyssa, Ryder, Brody, Kade

Hobbies/Special Interests: Mother/grandmother, country dancing, volunteerism

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Nevada Senate, 2008-2011 (first elected November 2008)—two special and two regular sessions. Chair, Senate Committee on Transportation, 2011; Vice Chair, Senate Committee on Commerce, Labor, and Energy, 2011. Member, Senate Committees on Judiciary, 2009-2011; Energy, Infrastructure and Transportation, 2009; Government Affairs, 2009; Health and Education, 2009. Chair, Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study Employee Misclassification, 2009-2010; Vice Chair, Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults With Special Needs, 2009-2010; Vice Chair, Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study the Development and Promotion of Logistics and Distribution Centers and Issues Concerning Infrastructure and Transportation, 2009-2010; Member, Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee for Federal Stimulus Oversight, 2009-2010; Commission on Special License Plates, 2009-2010; Legislative Committee on Education, 2009-2010; Legislative Commission's Committee to Study Group Homes, 2009-2010; Advisory Committee for a Veterans' Cemetery in Southern Nevada, 2009-2010.



#### SHIRLEY A. BREEDEN

Democrat
Clark County Senatorial
District No. 5
Retired
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AFFILIATIONS: Retired Public Employees of Nevada; Nevada Alliance for Retired Americans; American Legion Women's Auxiliary Unit No. 8; American Legion Riders Post No. 8; National Organization of Women; The Humane Society of the United States; Former Member, Michael J. Hoggard Scholarship Committee; Former Member, Green Valley High School Soccer Booster Club; Former Court Appointed Special Advocate.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Court Appointed Special Advocate of the Year, 2006; proclamation from Nevada State Assemblyman Tick Segerblom for professional accomplishments and exemplary public service, 2008; Soccer Team Mother of the Year, 1987-1990.



GREG BROWER
Republican
Washoe County Senatorial
District No. 3
Attorney at Law



Born: 1964 - South Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Educated: Bonanza High School, Las Vegas, 1982; University of California, Berkeley,

A.B., 1986; The George Washington University, J.D., 1992

Married: Loren

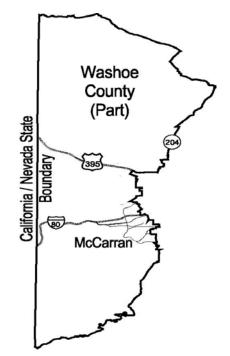
Children: Hayley, Kaitlin

Military: Lieutenant, United States Navy, 1987-1993 (Active and Reserve Duty)

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 1999-2001; Nevada Senate, 2011 (first elected November 1998-Nevada Assembly, and appointed to Senate 2011)—three regular sessions. Assembly Co-Minority Whip, 2001. Member, Senate Committees on Education, 2011; Health and Human Services, 2011; Select Committee on Economic Growth and Employment, 2011. Member, Assembly Committees on Constitutional Amendments, 1999-2001; Elections, Procedures, and Ethics, 2001; Judiciary, 1999-2001; Taxation, 1999-2001; Education, 1999.

AFFILIATIONS: State Bar of Nevada; American Inns of Court; American Bar Association; The Federalist Society; National Association of Former United States Attorneys; Legal Policy Advisory Board, Washington Legal Foundation; Board of Trustees, KNPB Channel 5; Advisory Board, Community Foundation of Western Nevada.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS: Patriot Award for Exceptional Support of National Guard and Reserve Employees, U.S. Department of Defense, 2009.





BARBARA K. CEGAVSKE Republican Clark County Senatorial District No. 8 Consultant, Horizon Center for Children and Families



Born: 1951 - Faribault, Minnesota

Educated: Mayo High School, Rochester, Minnesota; Clark County Community College,

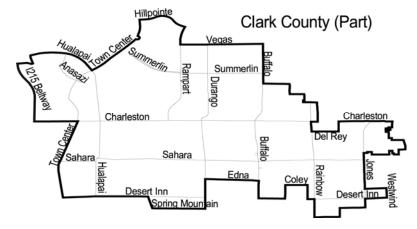
Las Vegas

Married: Tim

Children: Adam, Bret

Hobbies/Special Interests: Travel, reading, art, photography, cooking

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Nevada Assembly, 1997-2001; Nevada Senate, 2003-2011 (first elected November 1996-Nevada Assembly, and November 2002-Nevada Senate) ten special and eight regular sessions. Assistant Senate Minority Floor Leader, 2011; Senate Minority Whip, 2009; Assistant Assembly Minority Floor Leader, 1999-2001; Assistant Assembly Minority Whip, 1997. Senate Committees on Education, 2011; Legislative Operations and Elections, Chair, 2005-2007, Member 2003, 2009-2011; Finance, 2003-2007, 2011; Energy, Infrastructure, and Transportation, 2009; Health and Education, 2009; Vice Chair, Human Resources and Education, 2005-2007; Human Resources and Facilities, 2003. Assembly Committees on Education; Transportation; Ways and Means, 1997-2001. Legislative Commission, 2009-2010; Legislative Committee on Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice, 2009-2010; Legislative Commission's Committee to Study the Governance and Oversight of the System of K-12 Public Education, 2009-2010; Council to Establish Academic Standards for Public Schools, 2003-2004, 2005-2006, 2007-2008, 2009-2010; P-16 Advisory Council, 2007-2008, 2009-2010; Interim Finance Committee (IFC), 1997-2008; IFC's Subcommittee to Review Public Works Board Matters, 2007-2008; Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study the Benefits, Costs, and Feasibility of the Implementation of Courts of Chancery in Nevada, 2007-2008; Interim Study on the



#### BARBARA K. CEGAVSKE

Republican
Clark County Senatorial
District No. 8
Consultant, Horizon Center for Children and Families
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Placement of Children in Foster Care, 2007-2008; Chair, Legislative Committee on Persons with Disabilities, 2005-2006; Vice Chair, Legislative Committee on Education Subcommittee on the Effectiveness of Career and Technical High Schools, 2005-2006. Vice Chair, State of Nevada, Education Commission of the States (ECS), 2000-2001; Finance Vice-Chair and Commissioner, ECS, 1997-current; Finance Committee Member, 2006-2010; Legislative Committee on Education, 1999-2000, 2005-2006, 2007-2008; Committee to Evaluate Higher Education Programs, 2003-2004; Legislative Committee on Health Care, 2003-2004; Legislative Commission's Health Care Subcommittee to Study Current Challenges of Ensuring Adequate Health Care is Available to All Nevadans, 2003-2004; Legislative Committee on Health Care Subcommittee to Study Medical and Societal Costs and Impacts of Obesity, 2003-2004; Committee on Persons with Disabilities, 2003-2004; Committee to Consult with the Director, 1999-2002; Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study Methods to Encourage Corporations and Other Business Entities to Organize and Conduct Business in this State, 1999-2000. Governor's appointment— Governor's Council on Rehabilitation and Employment of People with Disabilities, 2002-2005. State Planning Commission for the Construction, Design, Maintenance, and Repair of School Facilities, 1997-1998; Member, Education Task Force, American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC), 1997-2004; The Council of State Governments (CSG), 1996-2008; Health Capacity Task Force, CSG, 2003-2004; CSG-WEST: Fiscal Affairs Committee, Trade and Transportation Committee and Western Legislative Futures Forum, 2003-2004; Future of Western Legislators Committee, 1999-2002; Strategic Planning Committee, 1999-2000. Co-Chair, National Forum Committee, 2003-2004; Steering Committee, 2001-2007; Executive Committee, 2001-2002; Vice Chair, Nominating Committee, 2000-2001; By-Laws Committee Member, 1999-2000; Elections Reform Task Force Member, 1999-2000; Vice Chair, 1999-2000; Nevada Commissioner, 1997-1998, 2003-2007; Finance Committee Member, 2006-2008. National Conference of State Legislatures: Co-Chair—Education, Labor, and Job Training Committee, 1997-2008; Vice Chair—Assembly on Federal Issues (AFI), Education, Labor, and Workforce Development Committee, 2001-2002; AFI Education, Labor, and Workforce Development Committee, 1999-2000; Elections Reform Task Force, 1999-2000; State Health Policy Leadership Forum Committee, 1999-2000; Education Committee, 1997-1998; Health Committee, 1997-1998; Host Committee Member, 1997-1998.

AFFILIATIONS: Member, ALEC, 1997-current; Board Member, Opportunity Village, 2007-current; Active Member, Trinity United Methodist Church; Board Member, United Methodist Women, Trinity United Methodist Church of Las Vegas; Co-Chair, United Methodist Social Ministries "Fostering in Faith"; Legislative Leaders Advisory Board, GOPAC, 2011; Current State Director and Former Secretary-Treasurer, Women in Government, 1997-current; ECS, 1997-current; Former Board Member, Adoption Exchange Advisory Board; President, Parent Teacher Association (PTA); Board, R. Guild Gray Elementary School, 1988-1993; Executive Board, former Las Vegas PTA Area Council, 1989-1992; former Puppeteer, Kids on the Block; President, Parents Active for Vision Education, 1990-2008; President, 1993-1994, Member, 1992-1996, Cashman Middle School

#### BARBARA K. CEGAVSKE

Republican
Clark County Senatorial
District No. 8
Consultant, Horizon Center for Children and Families
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Parent Advisory Council; former Chairperson, District F Parent Advisory Committee, five years; Chair, Nevada Education Legislative Grassroots Committee, 1993; State Liaison, Nevada State Parent Coalition, 1993; Clark County School District (CCSD): Member, Year-Round Study Committee, Public Concern Policy Subcommittee, Strategic Planning 2000 Committee, Testing and Evaluation Committee, Special Education Committee; former Chair, Use of Chemicals in Schools Committee; former Co-Chair, Least Restrictive Environment Committee; Parent Mentor (Established Friends of Special Education, Educators Institute), 1995-1996. Clark High School Area Neighborhood Improvement Program; Special Education Early Childhood Licensure Task Force, State of Nevada, 1993-1994; Special Education Licensure Task Force, State of Nevada, 1994-1995; Inclusion Task Force, State of Nevada, 1995-1996; Bonanza High School Parent Advisory Council, 1995-2000; Legislative Representative, Bonanza High School, 1996; Vice President, Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Disorder, 1996; Child Advocate, Nevada Legislature, 1989, 1991, 1993, 1995; Junior League of Las Vegas; Southwest Area Command's Community Leadership Team; Board, Las Vegas Performing Arts, Inc.; former Board, CLASS! Publications: former Board, Frontier Girl Scouts.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS: Public Relations and Fundraising, Horizon Center for Children and Families; "Living Faith Award" in recognition of Nevada for Education Excellence, Word of Life Christian Academy, 2010; Member, Education Reform Blue Ribbon Task Force/Nevada; Grand Marshall, Lakes Festival of Lights Parade, 2009; Legislative Advocate Award, Nevada Disability Advocacy and Law Center, 2006; Outstanding Service and Dedication Award, WestCare Foundation, 2004; Elected Official of the Year, Asian Chamber of Commerce, 2003; Community Achievement Award for Public Service, Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce, 2003; Director, Public Relations/Development, WestCare Foundation, 2000-2003; Henry Toll Fellowship, CSG, 2002; Leadership Las Vegas, 2002; President, Western Legislative Academy Leadership Class, CSG–WEST, 2000-2001; Crystal Apple Award, CCSD, 1999; SGAC Leadership Institute Graduate, 1997; Franchise Owner, 7-Eleven, 1984-1996; Parent Hall of Fame, CCSD, 1996.



ALLISON COPENING

Democrat

Clark County Senatorial

District No. 6

Marketing and Public Relations



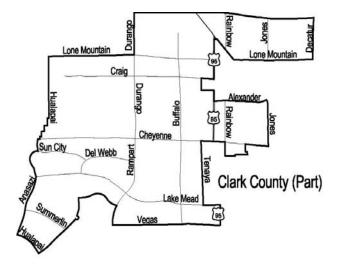
Born: 1964 – Las Vegas, Nevada

Educated: Bonanza High School; University of Nevada, Las Vegas, B.A., Communication

Studies

Hobbies: Volunteerism, racquetball, biking

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Nevada Senate, 2008-2011 (first elected November 2008)—two special and two regular sessions. Chair, Senate Committee on Health and Human Services, 2011; Vice Chair, Senate Committee on Judiciary, 2011, Member, 2009; Member, Senate Committee on Commerce, Labor, and Energy, 2011; Vice Chair, Senate Committee on Natural Resources, 2009; Member, Senate Committee on Commerce and Labor, 2009. Legislative Committee on Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice, 2009-2010; Legislative Committee on Health Care, 2009-2010; Legislative Commission's Committee to Study Group Homes, 2009-2010; Member, Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Review Regulations, 2009-2010; Advisory Committee on Nevada Criminal Justice Information Sharing, 2009-2010; Advisory Board on Maternal and Child Health, 2009-2010; Member, Governor's Workforce Investment Board, 2009-2010; Nevada Commission on Aging, 2009-2010.



#### **ALLISON COPENING**

Democrat Clark County Senatorial District No. 6 Marketing and Public Relations

**AFFILIATIONS:** Past President, 2007-2008, Member, 2006-present, Child Focus, Nevada; Trustee, Desert Research Institute Research Foundation, 1996-2003, 2004-2008; Susan G. Komen Partner for the Cure, 2006-present; Board of Directors, Juvenile Diabetes Foundation, 1995-1998; Statewide Board of Directors, Kids Voting Nevada, 1998; Board of Directors, Corporate Volunteer Council, 1995-1997; Co-Chair, Examiner and Marketing, United States Senate Productivity Awards for Nevada, 1994-1996; Peer Counselor, Community Counseling Center, 1994-1995.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS: Graduate, Western Legislative Academy, The Council of State Governments—WEST, 2010; Extra Mile Award, Nevada Cancer Coalition, 2009; Graduate, Rapport Leadership International, 2006; Graduate, Leadership Las Vegas Program, Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce, 2000, Co-Chair, "My Hometown" campaign; Top 40 Under 40, *In Business Las Vegas* magazine, 1998; Distinguished Women in Southern Nevada Award, 2002, 1998, 1994; U.S. Senate Productivity Awards for Nevada Synergy Award, 1996; President's Award, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Committee, 1996; Outstanding Volunteer, Juvenile Diabetes Foundation, 1996.



MOISES (MO) DENIS
Democrat
Clark County Senatorial
District No. 2
Computer Network Technician



Born: 1961 - Brooklyn, New York

Educated: Rancho High School, Las Vegas; Brigham Young University, B.A., Music

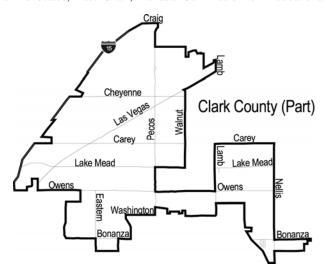
Married: Susan Cook

*Children:* Diana Marie (Gale), Dustin Lee, Daniel Carlos, Denae Virgilia, Dallin Moises *Hobbies/Special Interests:* Music, theater, camping, reading, basketball, volunteer work

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2004-2009; Nevada Senate, 2011 (first elected November 2004-Nevada Assembly, and November 2010-Nevada Senate)—six special and four regular sessions. Senate Assistant Majority Whip, 2011.

**AFFILIATIONS:** National Parent Teacher Association (PTA); Boy Scouts of America; Las Vegas Latin Chamber of Commerce; Paradise Democratic Club; Nevada Hispanic Democratic Caucus; State of Nevada Employees Association/American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees; Governing Board, North Vista Hospital; Easter Seals of Southern Nevada; National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials, National Hispanic Caucus of State Legislators; Seniors United.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Eagle Scout; Clark County School District Parent Hall of Fame; President, Nevada PTA, 2009; Lifetime Membership, Nevada PTA; Boulder Dam Area Council District Award of Merit; Past Chair, Las Vegas/Clark County Library District; Past Regional Vice President, Association for Library Trustees and Advocates; Past Chair, Nevada Commission on Educational Technology;



#### Moises (Mo) Denis

Democrat
Clark County Senatorial
District No. 2
Computer Network Technician
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Past Chair, City of Las Vegas Community Development Block Grant Committee; Community Service Award, Latin Chamber of Commerce; National Advocacy Honor Roll, American Library Association; Western Legislative Academy, The Council of State Governments–WEST, 2005; Hispanic of the Year Award, Latin Chamber of Commerce; Foundation for Recovery Community Partner Award.



**DONALD GARY GUSTAVSON**Republican
Washoe County Senatorial
District No. 2
(Portions of Lyon, Storey,
and Washoe Counties)
Retired Professional Driver



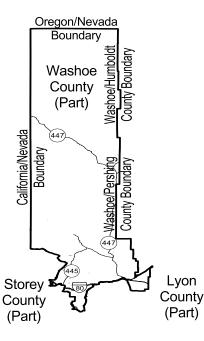
Born: 1943 – Culver City, California

Educated: Culver City High School; Santa Monica Junior College; Western Nevada College

Married: Cathy

Children: Donald G. Gustavson II, Kerry J. Saulnier, Donna D. Stoller Hobbies/Special Interests: Model railroading, ballroom dancing

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 1997-2004 and 2008-2009; Nevada Senate, 2011 (first elected November 1996-Nevada Assembly; and after lapse in service, subsequently elected November 2008-Nevada Assembly, and November 2010-Nevada Senate)—six special and six regular sessions. Senate Committees on Education, Judiciary, Senate Select Committee on Economic Growth and Employment, 2011. Assembly Committees on Corrections, Parole, and Probation; Judiciary; Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining; Taxation, 2009.



AFFILIATIONS: Board Member, My Journey Home; Founding Chair, Northern Nevada Teen Challenge; Carson City Railroad Association; Northern Nevada Garden Railroad Society; National Rifle Association; Gun Owners of America; Nevada Republican Central Committee; Washoe County Republican Central Committee; Associate Member, Republican Women of Sparks; Former Member, Republican Roundtable; Former President, Highland Ranch Homeowners Association.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS: Past Vice Chair, Nevada Conservative Assembly; Past Member, Executive Committee, Washoe County Republican Central Committee; Delegate, Washoe County Republican Convention, 1990-2010; Delegate, Nevada State Republican Convention, 1990-2010; Republican nominee for the Nevada State Assembly, 1990.



ELIZABETH HALSETH Republican Clark County Senatorial District No. 9 Business Owner



Born: 1983 – Portland, Oregon

Educated: Corban University, Salem, Oregon

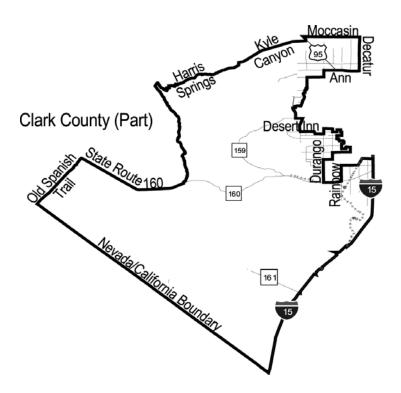
Married: Daniel

Children: Dana, Jordan, Sierra

Hobbies/Special Interests: Spending time with family, hiking, sports, cooking, baking,

volunteering

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Senate, 2011 (first elected November 2010)—one regular session.





JOSEPH (JOE) P. HARDY, M.D. Republican Clark County Senatorial District No. 12 Family Physician



Born: 1949 - Reno, Nevada

*Educated:* Sparks High School; University of Nevada, Reno; University of Nevada, Reno, School of Medicine, B.S.; Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri, School of

Medicine, M.D.

Married: Jill Sweningsen Hardy

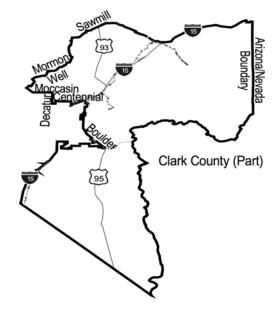
Children: Joseph Paul Jr., Nicole, Emily, Leah, Spencer, Dane, Jack, Ryan

Grandchildren: Sixteen

Military: Major, United States Air Force

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2003-2009; Nevada Senate, 2011 (first elected November 2002-Nevada Assembly, and November 2010-Nevada Senate)—eight special and five regular sessions. Assembly Minority Whip, 2007. Task Force for the Fund for a Healthy Nevada, 2003-2004.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Nevada Academy of Family Physicians; American Academy of Family Physicians; Clark County Medical Society; American Medical Association; American Legion, Post 31; Boy Scouts of America; Chamber of Commerce; Southern Nevada Health District; Coalition for Improving and Expanding Nevada Health Care; Regents Ad Hoc Committee for Higher Education/Health, 2003-2004.



#### JOSEPH (JOE) P. HARDY, M.D.

Republican
Clark County Senatorial
District No. 12
Family Physician
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PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS: Sparks High School Student Body President; Publicity Chairman: Walk for Development, Ayuda, and Meals on Wheels, 1968; French Mission, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (LDS); Rapid Valley Water District Board of Directors, South Dakota; Vice President, Parent Teacher Association, Rapid Valley Elementary School, South Dakota; Charter Member, Boulder City Drug Abuse Council; Chief of Staff, Boulder City Hospital; Chief of Internal Medicine and Family Practice, and Board of Directors, St. Rose Dominican Hospital, Henderson, Nevada; President, Nevada Academy of Family Practice; Boulder City Councilman and Mayor pro Tempore; Clark County Health District Board of Directors; Vice President, Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition; Executive Committee, Boulder City Community Education Advisory Board; One World Ambassador Alliance, Humanitarian Project–El Salvador; Nevada League of Cities Legislative Committee; Board of Directors, LDS Family Services (Adoption Agency); Debt Management Commission, Clark County; Sunday school teacher; Nevada Family Physician of the Year, 1998, 2010.



STEVEN A. HORSFORD Democrat Clark County Senatorial District No. 4 Chief Executive Officer, Culinary Training Academy



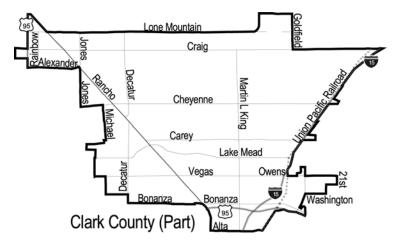
Born: 1973 – Las Vegas, Nevada

Educated: University of Nevada, Reno, Political Science and Communications

*Married:* Dr. Sonya Horsford *Children:* Benjamin, Bryson, Ella

Hobbies/Special Interests: Reading, traveling, spending time with family

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Nevada Senate, 2004-2011 (first elected November 2004)—six special and four regular sessions. Majority Floor Leader, 2009-2011. Chair, Senate Committee on Finance, 2011, Co-Chair, 2009; Vice Chair, Senate Committee on Revenue, 2011; Member, Senate Committees on Legislative Operations and Elections, 2011; Government Affairs, 2009; Health and Education, 2009. Chair, Interim Finance Committee (IFC) 2010-2011, Co-Chair, 2009-2010; IFC's Subcommittee to Conduct a Review of Nevada's Revenue Structure, 2009-2010; Vice Chair, Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study the Requirements for Reapportionment and Redistricting, 2009-2010. Member: IFC's Subcommittee for Federal Stimulus Oversight, 2009-2010; Legislative Commission, 2009-2010; Committee to Consult with the Director, 2009-2010; Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Review Regulations, 2009-2010; Alternate Member, Legislative Commission's Audit Subcommittee, 2009-2010; Legislative Commission's Committee to Study the Governance and Oversight of the System of K-12 Public Education, 2009-2010; Southern Nevada Enterprise Community Board, 2009-2010; Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education Legislative Advisory Committee, 2009-2010.



#### STEVEN A. HORSFORD

Democrat
Clark County Senatorial
District No. 4
Chief Executive Officer,
Culinary Training Academy
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**AFFILIATIONS:** Senate Presidents' Forum; National Conference of State Legislatures; Democratic Legislative Campaign Committee; The Council of State Governments (CSG)—WEST; National Network of Sector Partners.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS: Vernon Jordan Community Champion Award, Las Vegas Urban League, 2008; Elected Official of the Year, National Association of Social Workers, Nevada Chapter, 2006; Non-Profit Professional of the Year, Latin Chamber of Commerce, 2006; Community Champion Award, 100 Black Men of Nevada, 2006; Services to Youth Award, The Links, Inc., 2005; Citizen of the Year, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, 2005; Friend of Working Families Award, Nevada AFL-CIO, 2004; Community Achievement Award for Economic Empowerment, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Theta Theta Omega Chapter, Las Vegas, 2003; Graduate, Western Legislative Academy, CSG-WEST, 2002; Leadership Las Vegas 2000; Top 40 Under 40, *In Business Las Vegas* magazine, 2002; Portrait of Pride Distinguished Man of Southern Nevada, KLAS-TV Channel 8, 2000; Community Leader Award, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Committee, 2000; Community Achievement Award in Communications, Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce, 1999.



BEN KIECKHEFER
Republican
Washoe County Senatorial
District No. 4
(Portions of Carson City and Washoe County)
Communications



**Born:** 1977 – Springfield, Illinois

Educated: DePaul University, Chicago, Illinois, B.A., English; University of Illinois,

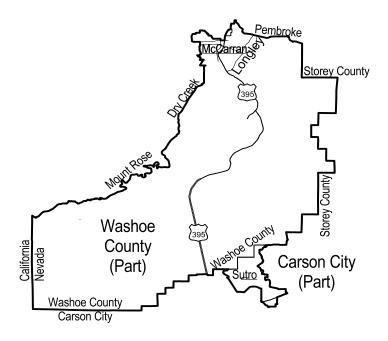
Springfield, M.A., Public Affairs Reporting

Married: April

Children: Aspen, Austin, Lincoln, Lucerne

Hobbies/Special Interests: Skiing, hunting, reading, family

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Senate, 2011 (first elected November 2010)—one regular session.





RUBEN J. KIHUEN
Democrat
Clark County Senatorial
District No. 10
Diversity Programs Manager/
Community Liaison,
College of Southern Nevada



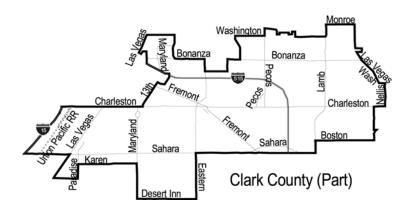
Born: 1980 - Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico

**Educated:** Rancho High School, Diploma; University of Nevada, Las Vegas, B.S., Education; University of Oklahoma, Master's in Public Administration (completing) **Hobbies/Special Interests:** Reading, traveling, motivating youth, soccer, weight lifting, exercising, movies

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2007-2009; Nevada Senate, 2011 (first elected November 2006-Nevada Assembly, and November 2010-Nevada Senate)—four special and three regular sessions. Chair, Senate Select Committee on Economic Growth and Employment, 2011.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Clark County Community Development Advisory Committee; North Las Vegas Citizens Advisory Committee; Board of Directors, Volunteer Center of Southern Nevada; Member, National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials; National Council of Hispanic State Legislators; Latin Chamber of Commerce; Volunteer, Professionals and Youth Building a Commitment (PAYBAC).

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Nevada Legislature Co-Freshman of the Year; Rising Star Award, Clark County Democratic Party; John F. Kennedy Award, Nevada State Democratic Party; Hispanic of the Year, Latin Chamber of Commerce; Outstanding Political Activist, City of Las Vegas; Former Regional Representative to United States Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid; Nevada High Schools Soccer Player of the Year.





JOHN J. LEE Democrat Clark County Senatorial District No. 1 Businessman



Born: 1955 - Ruislip Air Force Base, Middlesex, England

Educated: Rancho High School, Las Vegas

Married: Marilyn Ruesch Lee

Children: Crystaline Lueck, John Jason (Buck) Lee, Summer Alger, Blake Lee, Casey Lee,

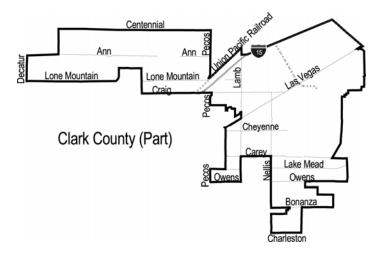
Lacey Lee, Alana Lee

Hobbies/Special Interests: Mountain and road biking, hiking, reading, traveling,

Dutch oven cooking

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 1997-2001; Nevada Senate, 2004-2011 (first elected November 1996-Nevada Assembly, and November 2004-Nevada Senate)—eight special and seven regular sessions. Senate Majority Whip, 2011; Senate Assistant Majority Whip, 2009. Chair, Senate Committee on Government Affairs, 2009-2011. The Council of State Governments (CSG)—WEST: Member, Executive Committee, 2009-2010; Committee on the Future of Western Legislatures, 2009-2010; Committee on Trade and Transportation, 2005-2010; Committee on Western Water and Environment, 2007-2008; Graduate, Western Legislative Academy, 2005.

**AFFILIATIONS:** President and owner of Vegas Plumbing Service, Inc.; Executive Board, Boy Scouts of America (BSA); Chair, Clark County Regional Shooting Range.



#### JOHN J. LEE

Democrat
Clark County Senatorial
District No. 1
Businessman
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PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS: Graduate, Program for Senior Executives in State and Local Government, HARVARD Kennedy School, 2009; Graduate, Emerging Political Leaders Program, Darden Graduate School of Business Administration, University of Virginia, 2005; Elliott Fellow, "Governing in the Global Age," The Elliott School of International Affairs, The George Washington University, 2005; Graduate, Henry Toll Fellowship Program, National CSG, 2000; Active Member, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints; Eagle Scout, Silver Beaver Award, and leadership roles in BSA; Past Member, City of Las Vegas Parking and Traffic Commission; Clark County Comprehensive Planning Steering Committee; City of Las Vegas Parks and Recreation Board; Citizens' Advisory Commission of the Las Vegas Valley Water District; Past Chair, Regional Transportation Bus Shelter Committee.



SHEILA LESLIE

Democrat

Washoe County Senatorial

District No. 1

Specialty Courts Coordinator



Born: 1955 - Carmel, California

Educated: Sonoma State University, B.A., 1977, with distinction and honors; University of

Nevada, Reno (UNR), M.A., 1979, Spanish Language and Literature

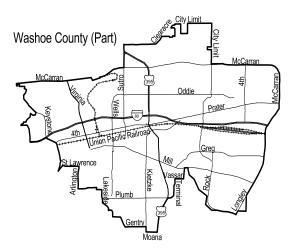
Children: Emma Fulkerson

Hobbies/Special Interests: Traveling, hiking, skiing

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 1999-2009; Nevada Senate, 2011 (first elected November 1998-Nevada Assembly, and November 2010-Nevada Senate)—ten special and seven regular sessions. Senate Assistant Majority Whip, 2011; Assembly Majority Whip, 2007-2009.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Board of Directors, Justice Center, The Council of State Governments; Member, National Commission on Children and Disasters; Advisory Board, Volunteers of America, Northern Nevada.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS: Shining Star, Mohave Mental Health, University Health Systems, 2010; Recognition Award for Nevada Early Hearing Detection and Intervention, Nevada Hands & Voices, 2010; Public Affairs Champion, March of Dimes Nevada Chapter, 2009; Hand in Hand Award, Nevada Parents Empowering Parents, 2009; Hall of Fame, Nevada Women Legislators, Nevada Women's Lobby, 2009; Jon Benedetti Award for Outstanding Support, Bristlecone Family Resources, 2008; Consumer Advocate of the Year, Nevada Justice Association, 2008; Public Health Legislator of the Year, School of Public Health, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, 2007;



#### SHEILA LESLIE

Democrat
Washoe County Senatorial
District No. 1
Specialty Courts Coordinator
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Immunization Advocate Silver Syringe Award, Northern Nevada Immunization Coalition, 2007; Honoree, Celebrating Women in Leadership, Girl Scouts of the Sierra Nevada, 2007; Policy Leader, Planned Parenthood Advocates Mar Monte, 2007; Community Visionary Award, National Alliance on Mental Illness, Northern Nevada Chapter and Crisis Intervention Team, 2006; Santini Cup for Advocacy Through Oral Communication, 2006; 2006 Golden Pinecone Award for Environmental Excellence by a Public Servant; Dean's Distinguished Service Award, University of Nevada School of Medicine, 2006; Veterans Hero, Nevada Veterans' Services Commission, 2003; Striving for Latino Advancement Award, Latinos for Political Empowerment, 2003; Honoring Our Heroes Award, Northern Nevada Policy Maker, Southern Nevada Area Health Education Center, 2003; Senior Star, Sanford Center for Aging, UNR, 2002; 2002 Legislator of the Year, Nevada State Psychological Association; Legislative Advocate Award, Nevada Disability Advocacy and Law Center, 2002; Profile in Courage Award, Nevada Attorneys for Criminal Justice, 2001; Leadership Institute, National Conference of State Legislatures, Class of 2001; Flemming Fellow, Center for Policy Alternatives, Class of 2000; Humanitarian of the Year, Greater Nevada School Counselor Association, 2000; Legislator of the Year, Nevada Association of Social Workers, 2000; Nevada Women's Role Model Award, Office of the Nevada Attorney General, 2000; Politician of the Year, Truckee Meadows Human Services Association, 1999; Rising Star Award, Outstanding First-Term Legislator, Nevada Women's Lobby, 1999; Child Advocate Award, Stand for Children, 1998; Women Helping Women, Soroptimist International of Truckee Meadows, 1997; Peace Corps Volunteer, Dominican Republic; American Field Service Scholar, Madrid, Spain.



MARK A. MANENDO

Democrat

Clark County Senatorial

District No. 7

Assistant Director of Client Services,

Collision Authority

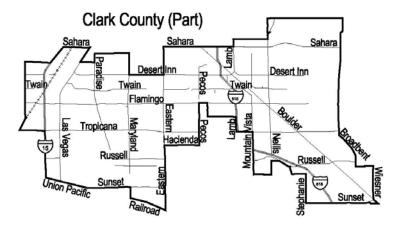


Born: 1966 – Erie, Pennsylvania

*Educated:* Chaparral High School, 1985; Area Technical Trade Center, 1985; Clark County Community College, A.S., Resort Occupation, 1989; A.A., Hotel, Restaurant and Casino Management, 1990; University of Virginia, Darden Executive Business Administration Course for Emerging Political Leaders

Hobbies/Special Interests: Volunteer activities, basketball, music, theater

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Nevada Assembly, 1995-2009; Nevada Senate, 2011 (first elected November 1994-Nevada Assembly, and November 2010-Nevada Senate) ten special and nine regular sessions. Assembly Assistant Majority Whip, 2001. Chair, Senate Committee on Natural Resources, 2011; Vice Chair, Senate Committee on Government Affairs, 2011. Senate Committee on Transportation, 2011; Senate Select Committee on Economic Growth and Employment, 2011. Assembly Committees on Commerce and Labor, 2007-2009; Corrections, Parole, and Probation, 2009; Vice Chair, Transportation, 2007; Member, 2003-2005, 2009; Vice Chair, Judiciary, 1999-2001; Member, 1995-1997, 2005-2009; Education, 1995, 2005; Chair, Government Affairs, 2003; Vice Chair, Health and Human Services, 1997; Member, 1999-2001; Taxation, 1995, 1999; Labor and Management, 1995; Co-Vice Chair, Economic Development and Tourism, 1995. Member, State Council for the Coordination of the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children, 2009-2010; Advisory Committee for a Veterans' Cemetery in Southern Nevada, 2007-2008, 2009-2010; Commission on Special License Plates, 2007-2008; Chair, Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study Categories of Misdemeanors, 2001-2002.



## MARK A. MANENDO

Democrat
Clark County Senatorial
District No. 7
Assistant Director of Client Services, Collision Authority
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AFFILIATIONS: Cofounder, Southeast Valley Coalition of Concerned Citizens; The Kierra Harrison Foundation for Child Safety; Stop DUI (25-year advocate); Honorary Board Member, Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth; Immediate Past Member, Opportunity Village Association for Retarded Citizens Board of Directors; Board of Directors, Chaparral High School Alumni Foundation; Board of Directors, The Public Education Foundation; Whitney Library Building Committee, 1994; Nevada Parent Teacher Association; Past Advisory Board Member, CLASS! Publications; Project Safe Place (instrumental in bringing Safe Place to southern Nevada); Nevada Association of Manufactured Home Owners (20-year member); Flight 93 National Memorial; Founding Member, Look Out Kids About; Heaven Can Wait Animal Society; Nevada Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals; Co-Vice Chair, Legislative Caucus, Nevada Arts Advocate; Past Board Member, Seniors United (20-year member); National American Notch Association; Nevada Seniors Coalition; Friends of Desert Wetlands Park; Town Board Watch Dog; Participant, graffiti cleanup projects, community cleanups, community food and clothing drives for district area residents; Stanch Recycling Advocate; Past Advisory Board, Nevada Parents Encouraging Parents; Past Board Member, Paradise Democratic Club (20-year member).

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS: Caring to Make a Difference Award, Stop DUI, 1997-2009; Certificate of Appreciation (for support and donation), Track and Field, Chaparral High School, 2008; HERO Award Recipient for Outstanding Legislative Support to the Nevada Association of Manufactured Home Owners, 1995, 2001, 2007; Certificate of Appreciation (for dedicated participation in the Clark County Homeless Youth Count), 2005; Certificate of Appreciation, Boy Scouts of America, 2005; Nationally Recognized Legislative Leadership Award, The National Commission Against Drunk Driving, 2004; Certificate of Appreciation (for valuable contributions to Black Student Association), Community College of Southern Nevada, 2004; Certificate of Appreciation, Clark County Homeless Youth Count, 2003; Certificate of Honors, Veterans Hero, Nevada Veterans' Services Commission, 2003; Appreciation Award (for the Handicapped Parking Volunteer Program), Southern Nevada Center for Independent Living, 1998; Certificate of Appreciation (for community support), Pueblo Del Sol Community, 1995; Outstanding Grass Roots Democrat of the Year Award, Paradise Democratic Club, 1994; Veterans Advocate for Nevada Award, National Association for Uniform Services, 1994; Certificate of Appreciation (volunteering for the Relief Effort of the Great Quake of 1994), Disaster Welfare Information Center, American Red Cross; Certificate of Appreciation (in recognition of important contribution to the ongoing fight against hatred and intolerance in America), Southern Poverty Law Center; Graduate, Citizen's Police Academy; Certificate of Recognition, School-Community Partnership Program.



MIKE MCGINNESS
Republican
Central Nevada Senatorial District
(Churchill, Esmeralda, and Mineral
Counties, and portions of Clark,
Douglas, Lyon, and Nye Counties)
Manager, Radio Station KVLV AM-FM



Born: 1947 – Fallon, Nevada

Educated: University of Nevada, Reno, B.A.

Married: Dee

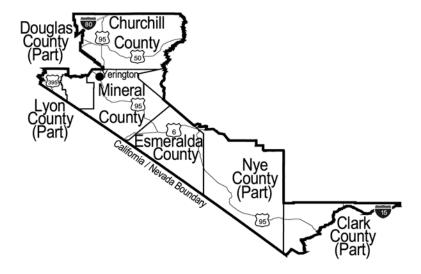
*Children:* Ryan, Brett, Shannon *Grandchildren:* Aidan, Katie, George

*Military:* Nevada Air National Guard, 1969-1975 *Hobbies/Special Interests:* Hunting, fishing, camping

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 1989-1991; Nevada Senate, 1993-2011 (first elected November 1988-Nevada Assembly, and November 1992-Nevada Senate)—eleven special and twelve regular sessions. Senate Minority Floor Leader, 2011.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Kiwanis Club of Fallon; Churchill County Republican Central Committee; Churchill County Chamber of Commerce; Churchill Arts Advisory Committee.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Past President, Nevada State Fair Board of Directors, 1985; Past Chair, Churchill County Parks and Recreation Commission, 1986-1987; Past Chair, Churchill County School Board, 1984-1988; Citizen of the Year, Fallon Board of Realtors, 1986; Citizen of the Year, Nevada Association of Realtors, 1987.





**DAVID R. PARKS**Democrat
Clark County Senatorial
District No. 7
Consultant

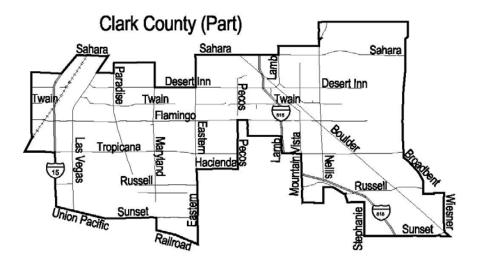


**Born:** 1943 – Boston, Massachusetts

Educated: University of New Hampshire, B.S.; University of Nevada, Las Vegas, M.B.A.

Military: United States Air Force, 1967-1971

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Nevada Assembly, 1997-2007; Nevada Senate, 2008-2011 (first elected November 1996-Nevada Assembly, and November 2008-Nevada Senate)ten special and eight regular sessions. Assembly Assistant Majority Floor Leader, 2001; Assembly Assistant Majority Whip, 1999. Chair, Senate Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections, 2011: Vice Chair, Senate Committee on Natural Resources, 2011. Chair, 2009; Senate Committees on Commerce, Labor, and Energy, 2011; Finance, 2011; Commerce and Labor, 2009; Judiciary, 2009. Chair, Assembly Select Committee on Corrections, Parole, and Probation, 2007; Assembly Committees on Commerce and Labor, 2007; Ways and Means, 2007; Chair, Government Affairs, 2005; Chair, Taxation, 2003, Vice Chair, 2007; Vice Chair, Labor and Management, 1997. Chair, Legislative Committee on Industrial Programs, 2009-2010; Vice Chair, Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste, 2009-2010. Interim Finance Committee's (IFC) Subcommittee to Conduct a Review of Nevada's Revenue Structure, 2009-2010; IFC's Subcommittee to Conduct a Review of Nevada's Revenue Structure Working Group to Review Responses to the Request for Proposal, 2009-2010; Legislative Committee on Public Lands, 2009-2010; Legislative Committee for the Review and Oversight of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and the



## DAVID R. PARKS

Democrat Clark County Senatorial District No. 7 Consultant (continued)

Marlette Lake Water System, 2009-2010; Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice, 2007-2008; 2009-2010; Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study the Development and Promotion of Logistics and Distribution Centers and Issues Concerning Infrastructure and Transportation, 2009-2010; Legislative Commission's Committee to Study Group Homes, 2009-2010; Advisory Committee to Study Laws Concerning Sex Offender Registration, 2009-2010; Nevada State Council for Interstate Juvenile Supervision, 2009-2010; IFC, 1999-2005, 2007-2009; Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice Steering Committee, 2007-2008; IFC Subcommittee to Review Allocations for Homeless, 2007-2008; Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice's Subcommittee to Consider Issues Related to a Study of Truth in Sentencing, 2007-2008.

AFFILIATIONS: California-Nevada Super Speed Ground Transportation Commission, 2009-2011; Board of Directors, Nevada Homeless Alliance, 2006-2011; Governor's Statewide AIDS Advisory Task Force, 1987-1994 and 2002-2011; Board, Gay and Lesbian Community Center of Southern Nevada, 2006-2011; Board, Community Counseling Center of Las Vegas, 2006-2011; Board of Trustees, Aid for AIDS of Nevada, Inc., 1986-2010; Nevada Military Advocacy Commission, 2004-2006; Commissioner, Education Technology Commission, 2001-2003; Governor's Fundamental Review Committee, 2001-2002; National Conference for Community and Justice, Southern Nevada Region Board, 1998-2002; Paradise Town Advisory Board, 1991-1996; Chair, Paradise Town Advisory Board, 1992-1996; Community District 89109 Leadership Council, 1993-1996; Governor's MX Missile Economic Impact Study, 1980-1981; Joint City-County Consolidation Technical Committee, 1975-1976.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Assistant Director, Regional Transportation Commission, 1990-1999; Senior Management Analyst, Clark County, 1984-1990; Director, Office of Budget and Management, City of Las Vegas, 1979-1984; Budget Officer, City of Las Vegas, 1974-1979.



**DEAN A. RHOADS**Republican

Rural Nevada Senatorial District (Elko, Eureka, Humboldt, Lander, Lincoln, Pershing and White Pine Counties, and portions of Nye County) Rancher



Born: 1935 - Tonasket, Washington

Educated: California State Polytechnic College, San Luis Obispo, B.S., Agriculture

Business Management

Married: Sharon Packer

Children: Shammy, Chandra

Military: National Guard

Hobbies/Special Interests: Hunting, fishing, skiing, golfing

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 1977-1981; Nevada Senate, 1985-2011 (first elected November 1976-Nevada Assembly, and November 1984-Nevada Senate)—twelve special and seventeen regular sessions. Majority Whip, 2003-2007. Senate Committees on Transportation, 2011; Finance, 2003-2011; Chair, Natural Resources, 1995-2007, Member, 2009-2011; Commerce, Labor, and Energy, 2011; Commerce and Labor, 2009; Chair, Taxation, 1993, Member, 2007; Chair, Transportation, 1985. Member, Interim Finance Committee (IFC), 1979-1982, 1987-1990, 1992-1996, 1998-2008; 2009-2010; IFC's Subcommittee to Conduct a Review of Nevada's Revenue Structure, 2009-2010; IFC's Subcommittee to Conduct a Review of Nevada's Revenue Structure Working Group to Review Nominations for the Nevada Vision Stakeholder Group,



# **DEAN A. RHOADS**

Republican
Rural Nevada Senatorial District
(Elko, Eureka, Humboldt, Lander,
Lincoln, Pershing and White Pine
Counties, and portions of Nye County)
Rancher
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2009-2010. Chair, Legislative Committee on Public Lands, 1985-2011. Member, Legislative Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste, 2007-2008, 2009-2010; Committee on Industrial Programs, 2009-2010. Chair, Legislative Commission's Audit Subcommittee, 2007-2008, Vice Chair, 2009-2010. Member, Information Technology Advisory Board, 2009-2010. Vice Chair, Legislative Committee for the Review and Oversight of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and the Marlette Lake Water System, 2007-2008; Legislative Commission, 1993-1994, 1999-2000.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Transition Team Member, Governor Brian Sandoval, 2010; Director, American Legislative Exchange Council; Nevada Cattlemen's Association; National Cattlemen's Association; Rotary Club; Nevada Taxpayers Association.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Past President, Elko County Fair Board; Past President, Public Lands Council; Nevada State Grazing Board; Bureau of Land Management District Grazing Board; President Ronald Reagan's Federalism Advisory Committee.



MICHAEL ROBERSON Republican Clark County Senatorial District No. 5 Attorney



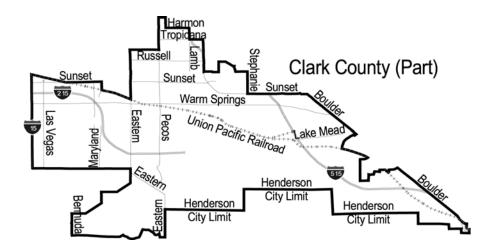
Born: 1970 – Webb City, Missouri

Educated: University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas, B.G.S., Political Science, 1993;

University of Kansas School of Law, J.D., 1996

Married: Liberty Leavitt

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Senate, 2011 (first elected November 2010)—one regular session.





MICHAEL (MIKE) A.
SCHNEIDER
Democrat
Clark County Senatorial
District No. 11
Real Estate Consultant,
Development and Sales



Born: 1950 - McCook, Nebraska

Educated: Bishop Gorman High School; University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV),

Hotel Administration; Southern Nevada School of Real Estate

Married: Candice (Candy) H. Hill

Children: Andrew

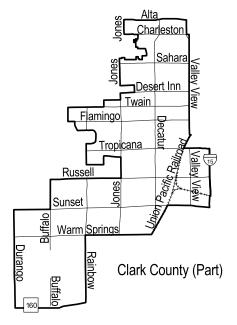
Hobbies/Special Interests: Basketball, traveling, cooking, gardening

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 1993-1995; Nevada Senate, 1997-2011 (first elected November 1992-Nevada Assembly, and November 1996-Nevada Senate)—ten special and ten regular sessions. Senate President pro Tempore, 2009-2011; Senate Assistant Minority Floor Leader, 1999; Senate Minority Whip, 1997. Chair, Senate Committees on Commerce, Labor, and Energy, 2011; Energy, Infrastructure and Transportation, 2009.

**AFFILIATIONS:** United States Senator Harry Reid's Blue Ribbon Panel on Energy, 2008; Advisory Committee on Energy, National Conference of State Legislatures; Board, Center for Urban Partnerships at UNLV; Community Advisory Board, Children's Hospital of

Nevada Foundation; Board, a credit union; Board, Opportunity Village; Gleams Foundation; Supporter, Channel 10 and KNPR Public Broadcasting; Greater Las Vegas Association of Realtors; Nevada Association of Realtors; Southern Nevada Homebuilders Association.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS: Leadership in Energy Efficiency Award, Southwest Energy Efficiency Project (SWEEP), 2007, 2010; Senator of the Year Award, Nevada Conservation League, 2009; Award of Excellence, Nevada Energy Star Partners, 2008; 1992 House of the Year, Home magazine; Best of American Living housing award finalist; Builder of the Show Homes, National Association of Homebuilders Convention, 1992-1994.





JAMES A. SETTELMEYER
Republican
Capital Senatorial District
(Portions of Douglas, Lyon, and
Storey Counties, and portions of Carson City)
Agriculturalist



Born: 1971 - Carson City, Nevada

Educated: California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, Agricultural

Education/Agricultural Science

Married: Sherese

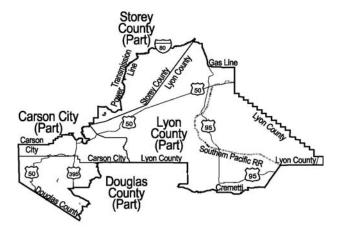
Children: Two daughters

Hobbies/Special Interests: Reading

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2007-2009; Nevada Senate, 2011 (first elected November 2006-Nevada Assembly, and November 2010-Nevada Senate)—four special and three regular sessions. Senate Minority Whip, 2011. Senate Committees on Commerce, Labor, and Energy, 2011; Government Affairs, 2011; Legislative Operations and Elections, 2011. Assembly Committees on Commerce and Labor, 2007-2009; Elections, Procedures, Ethics, and Constitutional Amendments, 2007-2009; Government Affairs, 2007-2009. Vice Chair, Legislative Committee for the Review and Oversight of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and the Marlette Lake Water System, 2009-2010; Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study Issues Relating to Senior Citizens and Veterans, 2007.

AFFILIATIONS: Douglas County Republican Central Committee.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS**: Nevada Tax Commission's Blue Ribbon Property Tax Commission; Nevada Tax Commission's Blue Ribbon Subcommittee to Study Property Taxes, 2007; Past Chair, United States Small Business Administration Region IX Regulatory Fairness Board; Western Legislative (Leadership)



# JAMES A. SETTELMEYER

Republican
Capital Senatorial District
(Portions of Douglas, Lyon, and
Storey Counties, and portions of Carson City)
Agriculturalist
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Academy, The Council of State Governments–WEST; Legislative Academy, National Conference of State Legislatures; Chair, Nevada State Conservation Commission; Chair, Carson Valley Conservation District; Farm Service Agency Community Outreach Committee; Leadership Douglas County Graduate; Outstanding Young Farmer for Nevada; American Farmer Degree.



VALERIE WIENER

Democrat

Clark County Senatorial

District No. 3

Positioning Strategist, Author, Publisher,

Consultant, Speaker

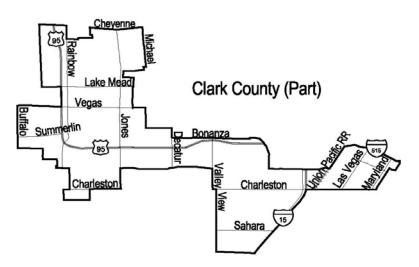


Born: Las Vegas, Nevada

*Educated:* Las Vegas High School; University of Missouri, Columbia, B.J., M.A., Journalism; University of Illinois, Springfield, M.A., Contemporary Literature; University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law

Hobbies/Special Interests: Community service, writing, reading, physical fitness training and competition, hiking

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Nevada Senate, 1997-2011 (first elected November 1996)—ten special and eight regular sessions. Assistant Majority Floor Leader, 2011; Majority Whip, 2009; Minority Whip, 2001-2007. Chair, Senate Committee on Judiciary, 2011, Vice Chair, 2009; Vice Chair, Senate Committee on Health and Human Services, 2011; Member, Senate Committee on Education, 2011; Member, Senate Select Committee on Economic Growth and Employment, 2011; Chair, Senate Committee on Health and Education, 2009; Member, Senate Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections, 2009. Chair, Legislative Committee on Health Care, 2009-2010; Vice Chair, Legislative Committee on Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice, 2009-2010; Chair, Legislative Committee on Health Care Subcommittee to Study Medical and Societal Costs and Impacts of Obesity, 2003-2004; Chair, Commission on School Safety and Juvenile Violence, 1999-2000; Chair, Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study the System of Juvenile Justice in Nevada, 1999-2000, Vice Chair, 1997-1998.



## VALERIE WIENER

Democrat
Clark County Senatorial
District No. 3
Positioning Strategist, Author, Publisher,
Consultant, Speaker
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**AFFILIATIONS:** Board, Public Education Foundation; Board, Better Business Bureau; Media Relations Instructor, Leadership Las Vegas Program, Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce; Planning Team, Civic Mission for Schools; Founding Member, Action for Healthy Kids/Nevada State Team; Advisory Board, Keeping Kids Fit; Vice Chair, Nevada Technological Crime Advisory Board; Nevada Commission on Aging; Participant, White House Conference on School Safety, 1998.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS: President/CEO, Wiener Communications Group; President/CEO, PowerMark Publishing. Author of five books that earned 11 major state and national awards: Power Communications: Positioning Yourself for High Visibility; Gang Free: Friendship Choices for Today's Youth; The Nesting Syndrome: Grown Children Living at Home; Power Positioning: Advancing Yourself as THE Expert; and Winning the War Against Youth Gangs. Author, PowerMaster HandBooks (nine national and international awards for first five handbooks in series), 2000, 2005-2007. Outstanding Achievement Award (three nations competing), National Federation of Press Women, 1991; Media Advocate/Nevada, Small Business Administration, 1992; Distinguished Leadership Award, National Association for Community Leadership, 1993; Outstanding Woman Advocate for Education, Virginia Commonwealth University, 2000; more than 222 state, national, and international communications awards since 1990; Nevada Senior Olympics Gold Medalist in both Fitness and Weightlifting, 1998-2003, 2005-2007; named Distinguished Senior Athlete, Nevada Senior Olympics, 2000; Nevada Senior Olympics Gold Medalist in Swimming, 2002-2003, 2005-2007; Silver Medalist in Walking, 2005. Honored as one of 27 national "Healthy School Heroes" at Healthy Schools Summit in Washington, D.C., 2002 (only Legislator in U.S. so recognized); Healthcare Policy Hero, Southern Nevada Area Health Education Center, 2003; Legislator of the Year, Society of Public Health Educators, 2004; Leadership Las Vegas Hall of Fame, 2006 (third inductee in program's 20-year history); Public Affairs Champion Award, March of Dimes, 2009; Jean Ford Participatory Democracy Award, Nevada Secretary of State, 2009; Nevada Public Advocate of the Year, Nevada Public Health Association, 2010; Children's Health Care Champion Special Recognition Award, Southern Nevada Immunization Coalition, 2010.

# BIOGRAPHIES OF MEMBERS OF THE NEVADA ASSEMBLY



PAUL AIZLEY
Democrat
Assembly District No. 41
(Clark County)
Professor of Mathematics



**Born:** 1936 – Boston, Massachusetts

Educated: English High School; Harvard University, B.A.; University of Arizona, M.S.;

Arizona State University, Ph.D.

Married: Sari Aizley

Stepchildren: Adrienne Poch, Jody Strasser, Sophia Rasile, David Phillips, Matthew Dillingham,

Stephanie Cain, Jonathan Dillingham (deceased)

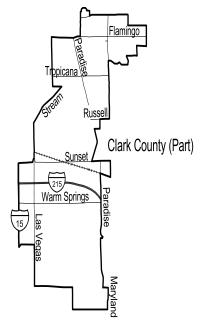
Grandchildren: Eight Great Grandchildren: Four

Hobbies/Special Interests: Travel, hiking

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2008-2011 (first elected November 2008)—two special and two regular sessions. Assembly Committees on Education, 2011; Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining, 2009-2011; Ways and Means, 2011; Government Affairs, 2009; Taxation, 2009. Legislative Committee on Public Lands, 2009-2010; Legislative Commission's Committee to Study the Governance and Oversight of the System of K-12 Public Education, 2009-2010; Education Commission of the States, 2009-2010.

AFFILIATIONS: Cofounder, Former President, Member, CLASS! Publications, Inc.; President, University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) Chapter of the Nevada Faculty Alliance, 2007-2008; Mathematical Association of America; UNLV Public Safety Committee.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS: Dean, Continuing Education and Summer Term, 1989-2002; President, Western Association of Summer Session Administrators, 1999-2000; Founding Chair, Nevada Fair Housing, 1995; Distinguished Service Award, Western Association of Summer Session Administrators, 1993; Assistant to UNLV Presidents, 1973-1978; Chair, UNLV Faculty Senate, 1971-1973; President, Nevada Faculty Alliance (Statewide office), 1984.





ELLIOT T. ANDERSON Democrat Assembly District No. 15 (Clark County) Security Officer



Born: 1982 - Marshfield, Wisconsin

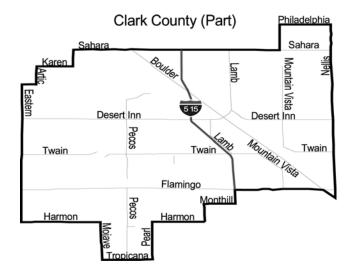
Educated: University of Nevada, Las Vegas, B.A., Political Science, Magna Cum Laude

Military: United States Marine Corps, 2001-2005 Hobbies/Special Interests: Running, basketball, reading

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2011 (first elected November 2010)—one regular session.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America; Marine Corps League, Greater Nevada Detachment #186; VoteVets.org; Paradise Democratic Club; Nevada State Democratic Party Central Committee; Clark County Democratic Party Central Committee.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Rising Star Award, Assembly Committee on Taxation (75th Regular Session), 2009; Nominee, New Generation Award, Clark County Democratic Party, 2008; Local Heroes List, *Las Vegas CityLife* magazine, 2007; Combat Action Ribbon, 2005; Afghanistan Campaign Medal, 2005; Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, 2005; Good Conduct Medal, U.S. Marine Corps, 2004.





KELVIN D. ATKINSON
Democrat
Assembly District No. 17
(Clark County)
Government Management Analyst



Born: 1969 - Chicago, Illinois

Educated: Culver City High School; Howard University; University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Children: Haley

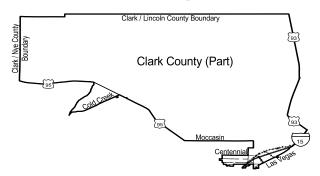
Hobbies/Special Interests: Reading, watching the Raiders and Lakers, studying politics,

traveling

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2003-2011 (*first elected November 2002*)—eight special and five regular sessions. Senior Chief Deputy Whip, 2011. Chair, Assembly Committee on Commerce and Labor, 2011, Vice Chair, 2009; Chair, Assembly Committee on Transportation, 2007-2009, Member, 2003-2005, 2011; Member, Assembly Committees on Ways and Means, 2011; Education, 2003-2005; Government Affairs, 2003-2009. Vice Chair, Assembly Committee on Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining, 2005; Member, 2003, 2007.

AFFILIATIONS: Chair, Water and Public Lands Committee, The Council of State Governments (CSG)—WEST, 2009-2010, Vice Chair, 2007-2008; Nevada Black Elected Officials Caucus; National Black Caucus of State Legislators; Graduate, Western Legislative Academy, CSG—WEST; Clark County Mediator; Member, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department (Metro) Recruitment Council; Las Vegas Metro Professionals and Youth Building a Commitment (PAYBAC) Program; Black Public Administrators; National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; Alliance for Retired Americans; Urban Development Caucus; Executive Committee Member, CSG—WEST; Member, CSG Transportation Committee; Member, National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL); Member, NCSL Transportation Committee.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Vice Chair, CSG-WEST, 2011; Henry Toll Fellowship Program, CSG, 2005; Voted 2004 Class President for the Western Legislative Academy; Washington, D.C., Cleanup Leader; Clark County Leadership Forum Graduate, 1996; Class President; Three Sports Letterman.





TERESA BENITEZ-THOMPSON Democrat Assembly District No. 27 (Washoe County) Licensed Social Worker



Born: 1978 - Ventura, California

Educated: McQueen High School, Reno; University of Nevada, Reno, B.A.; University of

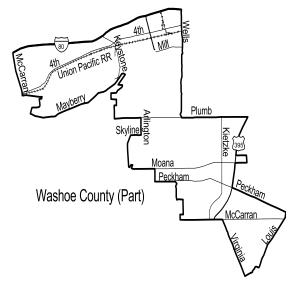
Michigan, Ann Arbor, M.S.W. *Married:* Jeff Thompson *Children:* Lillian, Eli

Hobbies/Special Interests: Family, volunteer activities

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2011 (first elected November 2010)—one regular session.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Board Member, Northern Nevada RAVE Family Foundation, 2005-2008; Teen mentor, Alliance of Latinas in Teen Action and Solidarity; Member, Our Savior Lutheran Church; Board Member, Miss Nevada Scholarship Organization.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Twenty Under 40 Award, *Reno Gazette-Journal*, 2010; Adelante Award, Nevada Hispanic Services, 2009; Honored for achievements in the area of economic justice, National Center for Law and Economic Justice, 2006; Miss Nevada (Third Runner-Up to Miss America), 2002; First Place Standard Debate, Nevada Forensic Association, 1995.





**DAVID P. BOBZIEN**Democrat
Assembly District No. 24
(Washoe County)
Web Designer



Born: 1972 - Washington, D.C.

Educated: George Mason University, B.A., Government and Politics; Boise State University, Master of Public Administration, with emphasis in Natural Resources and

Public Lands Policy *Married:* Lisa Kornze

Children: Luca Carson, Finnegan Walker

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2007-2011 (*first elected November 2006*)—four special and three regular sessions. Chief Deputy Whip, 2011.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Advisory Committee, Nevada Land Conservancy; Board, Access to Healthcare Network; Think Tank Member, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northern Nevada.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Best Local Candidate, *Reno News & Review*, 2008, 2009, 2010; Assemblyman of the Year, Nevada Conservation League, 2009; Twenty Under 40 Award, *Reno Gazette-Journal*, 2008; Freshman of the Year, Peace Officers Research Association of Nevada, 2007; City of Reno Recreation and Parks Commission, Chair 2002-2003; Member 2000-2007; Nevada Commission on Aging, 2005-2006; Truckee Meadows Tomorrow, Quality of Life Indicators Task Force,

2005-2006; Chair, Washoe County School District Information Technology Advisory Group, Career and Technical Education, 2005-2006; Washoe County School District Joint Council on Career and Technical Education, 2005-2006; International Faculty Development Award, studied abroad in Chile, 2003; Eagle Scout; Pi Alpha Alpha, National Honor Society for Public Administration, 1996; Leadership in Energy Efficiency Award, Southwest Energy Efficiency Project; Golden Pinecone Award, Nevada EcoNet; Western Leadership Academy, The Council of State Governments-WEST.





STEVEN J. BROOKS

Democrat

Assembly District No. 19
(Clark County)

Las Vegas Community Land Trust



Born: 1972 – Los Angeles, California

Educated: University of California, Riverside, B.S., Biology

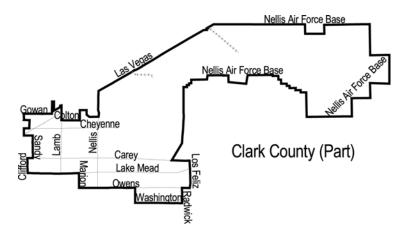
Children: Four

Hobbies/Special Interests: Fishing, football, baseball, jogging, horseback riding

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2011 (first elected November 2010)—one regular session.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Executive Board, Las Vegas Urban League; Victory Baptist Church; Board, Hispanic Art Museum; Board, Community Land Trust; Former Founding Member, Southern Nevada Enterprise Community Board; Former Board Member, Community Partners for Better Health.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Program developer of various mathematics and science programs; youngest Chair, Las Vegas Urban League Board.





IRENE BUSTAMANTE ADAMS
Democrat
Assembly District No. 42
(Clark County)
Consultant and Business Executive



Born: 1968 - Hanford, California

Educated: Kerman High School, Kerman, California; California State University, Fresno,

B.S.; University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV), E.M.B.A.

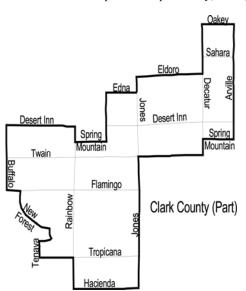
Married: Brad Adams Children: Olivia, Alaina

Hobbies/Special Interests: Reading, sports, community service

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2011 (first elected November 2010)—one regular session.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Member and Immediate Past Chair, Board of Trustees, Latin Chamber of Commerce; Member, Board of Trustees, Latin Chamber of Commerce Community Foundation; Member, Asian Chamber of Commerce; Member, Urban Chamber of Commerce; Member, Board of Trustees, Spring Mountain Conservancy; Member, UNLV Alumni Association.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Minority Advocate of the Year, Nevada Minority Business Council, 2009; Young Corporate Achiever, Hispanic Association on Corporate Responsibility, 2007; Senoras of Excellence Honoree, 2006;



Top 40 Under 40, In Business Las Vegas magazine, 2005; The Women Who Shaped Las Vegas, Wall of Women, 100 Years of Influence, 2005; Rising Star Award, National Association of Women Business Owners, 2004; Community Service Award, Latin Chamber of Commerce, 2004.



MAGGIE CARLTON

Democrat

Assembly District No. 14
(Clark County)

Community and Workforce Development,

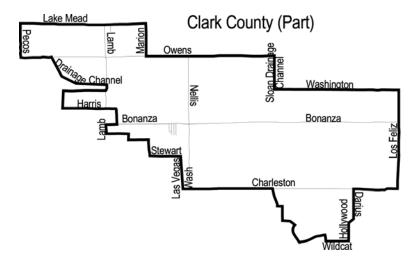
Great Basin Primary Care Association



**Born:** 1957 – St. Louis, Missouri *Married:* Merritt Carlton

**Children:** M. Grace Gelzer, Lucy Carlton **Hobbies/Special Interests:** Gardening

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Nevada Assembly, 2011; Nevada Senate, 1999-2009 (first elected November 1998-Nevada Senate, and November 2010-Nevada Assembly)—ten special and seven regular sessions. Chair, Assembly Committee on Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining, 2011; Member, Assembly Committees on Commerce and Labor, 2011; Ways and Means, 2011. Chair, Senate Committee on Commerce and Labor, 2009, Member, 1999-2007; Vice Chair, Senate Committee on Energy, Infrastructure, and Transportation, 2009; Senate Committees on Taxation, 2009; Natural Resources, 1999-2007; Transportation and Homeland Security, 2005-2007; Transportation, 2003; Legislative Affairs and Operations, 1999-2001. Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Review Regulations, 2007-2008, 2009-2010; Legislative Commission, 2003-2004, 2009-2010; Legislative Commission on Special License Plates, 2007-2008, 2009-2010; Member, Legislative Commission, 2003-2004, 2009-2010; Legislative Commission Subcommittee to Review the United States Department of Labor's Report on the Nevada Occupational Safety and Health Program, 2009-2010; Advisory Board on Maternal and Child Health, 2001-2010; Governor's Workforce Investment Board, 2007-2008, 2009-2010; Perinatal Substance Abuse Prevention Subcommittee of the



# MAGGIE CARLTON

Democrat
Assembly District No. 14
(Clark County)
Community and Workforce Development,
Great Basin Primary Care Association
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Maternal and Child Health Advisory Board, 2003-present; Vice Chair, Legislative Committee for the Review and Oversight of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and the Marlette Lake Water System, 2003-2004, Member, 2005-2008; Chair, Legislative Committee on Health Care Subcommittee to Review the Laws and Regulations Governing Providers of Health Care, the Use of Lasers and Intense Pulsed Light Therapy, and the Use of Injections of Cosmetic Substances, 2007-2008; Nevada State Council for Interstate Adult Offender Supervision, 2001-2002; Legislative Commission's Committee to Continue the Review of Programs and Activities in the Lake Tahoe Basin, 2001-2002.

**AFFILIATIONS:** State Director, The Women Legislators' Lobby (WiLL), 2006; Executive Committee, National Labor Caucus of State Legislators; Girl Scouts; Las Vegas Interfaith Council; Shop Steward, Culinary Local No. 226; Southern Nevada Water Authority Citizens Advisory Committee on Water Quality; Griffith United Methodist Church, 1992-2003; Girl Scouts Girls Golf Club.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Will Pacesetter Award, 2005; Legislator of the Year, Nevada State Psychological Association, 2003; Nevada Women's Lobby Outstanding First Term Legislator; Governor's Fundamental Review Committee.



RICHARD CARRILLO Democrat Assembly District No. 18 (Clark County) Business Representative



Born: 1967 - Belen, New Mexico

Educated: Belen High School, Belen, New Mexico

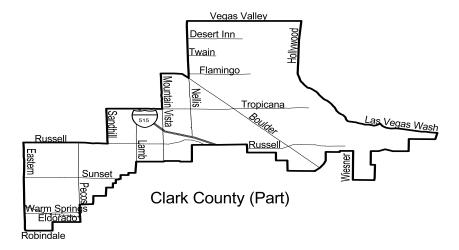
Married: Annette Gunter Children: Heather Grandchildren: Giovanni

Hobbies/Special Interests: Golf, classic cars, motorcycles, volunteering

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2011 (first elected November 2010)—one regular session.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Fraternal Order of Eagles, Las Vegas No. 1213, 2009; National Rifle Association, 2007; Nevada Chapter, U.S. Green Building Council, 2007.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Whitney Town Advisory Board, 2009; Licensed contractor (C-21), 1997.





MARCUS L. CONKLIN Democrat Assembly District No. 37 (Clark County) Economic Analyst/Consultant



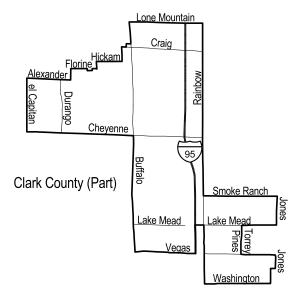
Born: 1969 - Hanford, California

*Educated:* University of Nevada, Las Vegas, M.A., Economics, 2009; Midwestern State University, M.A., Political Science, 1997; University of Redlands, B.A., Economics and

Political Science, 1992

Hobbies/Special Interests: Hunting, fishing, swimming/water polo, reading

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Nevada Assembly, 2003-2011 (first elected November 2002)—eight special and five regular sessions. Majority Floor Leader, 2011; Assistant Majority Floor Leader, 2007-2009. Vice Chair, Assembly Committee on Ways and Means, 2011; Chair, Assembly Committee on Commerce and Labor, 2009; Vice Chair, 2007, 2011; Vice Chair, Assembly Committee on Elections, Procedures, Ethics, and Constitutional Amendments, 2005; Vice Chair, Assembly Committee on Elections, Procedures, and Ethics, 2003. Chair, Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Review Regulations, 2009-2010; Chair, Interim Finance Committee's (IFC) Subcommittee to Conduct a Review of Nevada's Revenue Structure Working Group to Review Nominations for the Nevada Vision Stakeholder Group, 2009-2010; Vice Chair, Legislative Commission, 2009-2010; Vice Chair, IFC's Subcommittee to Conduct a Review of Nevada's Revenue Structure, 2009-2010; Member, IFC's Subcommittee for Federal Stimulus Oversight, 2009-2010; Member, IFC, 2009-2010; Member, Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Review the United States Department of Labor's Report on the Nevada Occupational Safety and



# MARCUS L. CONKLIN

Democrat
Assembly District No. 37
(Clark County)
Economic Analyst/Consultant
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Health Program, 2009-2010; Member, Legislative Commission's Committee to Conduct an Interim Study on the Production and Use of Energy, 2009-2010; Member, Committee to Consult with the Director, 2009-2010; Chair, Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study Mortgage Lending and Housing Issues, 2007-2008; Chair, Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study the Availability and Inventory of Affordable Housing, 2005-2006.

**AFFILIATIONS:** USA Water Polo, Team Vegas/Henderson Water Polo; Nevada Staffing Association; Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth; Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce; Homeless Youth Foundation.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS: Henry Toll Fellows Program, The Council of State Governments (CSG), 2008; Chair Emeritus, Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth, 2008, Board Chair, 2005-2007, Founding Board; Founding and Acting President, Homeless Youth Foundation; Legislator of the Year, Peace Officers Research Association of Nevada, 2007; Emerging Political Leaders Program, Darden School of Business, University of Virginia, 2007; Western Legislative Academy, CSG-WEST, 2003; University of Redlands Athletic Hall of Fame Inductee, 2003; National Collegiate Athletic Association Post-graduate Scholarship Winner, 1992.



RICHARD (SKIP) DALY

Democrat

Assembly District No. 31
(Washoe County)

Business Manager/Secretary/Treasurer,
Laborers' Union Local 169, Reno



Born: 1959 - Reno, Nevada

Educated: Reed High School, Sparks, 1977; Truckee Meadows Community College, Reno,

general studies (two years)

Married: Lisa

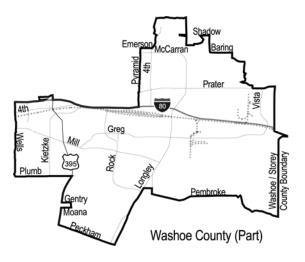
Children: Sara, Brian

Hobbies/Special Interests: Travel, golf, hunting, sports

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2011 (first elected November 2010)—one regular session.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Chair, Board of Trustees, Northern Nevada Laborers (joint labor and management) pension, health and welfare, vacation plan, and training and apprenticeship trust funds; Laborers' International Union of North America, Local 169; Washoe County Schools Construction and Revitalization Advisory Committee, 2007-2008; Advisory Group to Conduct Interim Study on Lease-Purchase and Installment-Purchase Agreements by Public Entities, 2005-2006.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Sparks Charter Committee 2002-2010; Sparks Citizens Advisory Committee, 2002-2010; Board Member, United Way of Northern Nevada and the Sierra.





OLIVIA DIAZ

Democrat

Assembly District No. 11
(Clark County)

Elementary School Teacher,
English Language Learner Specialist



Born: 1978 - Las Vegas, Nevada

*Educated:* Rancho High School, Las Vegas; University of Nevada, Las Vegas, B.A., English, minor in Communications; NOVA Southeastern University, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida,

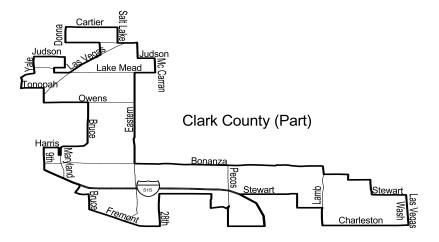
M.S., Bilingual Education *Married:* Frank Alejandre *Children:* Danny, Frankie

Hobbies/Special Interests: Jogging, hiking, travel, movies

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2011 (first elected November 2010)—one regular session.

**AFFILIATIONS:** National Hispanic Caucus of State Legislators, 2010; Clark County Education Association, 2002-2010; Nevada Parent Teacher Association, 2005-2010; Amigos for Democracy, 1998-2002; National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** School Improvement Planning Committee, C. C. Ronnow Elementary School, 2004-2010; Equity and Diversity Representative, C. C. Ronnow Elementary School, 2004-2009; Distinguished Educator of the Year, C. C. Ronnow Elementary School, Clark County School District—East Region, 2005.





MARILYN DONDERO LOOP Democrat Assembly District No. 5 (Clark County) Education Consultant



Born: 1951 - Las Vegas, Nevada

*Educated:* Las Vegas High School; University of Nevada, Las Vegas, B.S., Elementary Education; M.Ed., Curriculum and Instruction; Library Media Specialist and Literacy

Endorsement

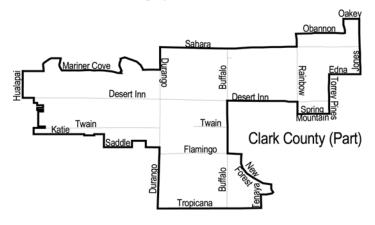
*Children:* Lindsey, Heather, Amy *Grandchildren:* Rylie, Noah

Hobbies/Special Interests: Family, cooking, reading

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2008-2011 (*first elected November 2008*)—two special and two regular sessions. Chair, Assembly Committee on Transportation, 2011, Member, 2009; Vice Chair, Assembly Committee on Education, 2011, Member, 2009; Member, Assembly Committees on Judiciary, 2009-2011; Corrections, Parole, and Probation, 2009. Member, Legislative Committee on Education, 2009-2010; Education Commission of the States, 2009-2010; Nevada Commission on Aging, 2009-2010.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Spread the Word Nevada; Board, Democratic Women's Club; Education Council, United Way of Southern Nevada; Nevada State Education Association.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS: Western Legislative Academy, The Council of State Governments—WEST, 2010; Rising Star Award, Nevada Women's Lobby, 2010; Focus on Nevada's Children, Junior League of Las Vegas; Former member, Junior League of Las Vegas; Former member, Nevada Parent Teacher Association; Former member, Delta Kappa Gamma; Project Coordinator of the Year Award, LeapFrog SchoolHouse; Southwest Region Distinguished Educator; Retired teacher, 30 years; Mentor teacher for new teacher program.





JOHN C. ELLISON
Republican
Assembly District No. 33
(Elko County and portions of
Humboldt County)
Electrical Contractor



Born: 1953 – Elko, Nevada Educated: Elko High School Married: Cindy Ellison Children: Billy, Michelle, Nicole

Military: United States Marine Corps, honorable discharge

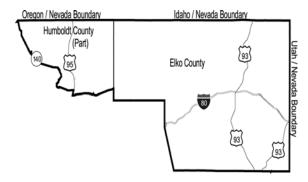
Hobbies/Special Interests: Flying, shooting, spending time with family, grandchildren,

and friends

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2011 (first elected November 2010)—one regular session.

AFFILIATIONS: Elko County Board of Commissioners; Elko City Planning Commission; Elko City Council; Elko Lions Club; Elko Rotary Club; Chair, Elko Fourth of July Celebration; Co-Chair, Elko Veterans Day Parade; National Rifle Association; John Wayne Cancer Institute at Saint John's Health Center, Santa Monica, California; Liaison, Elko County Senior Activity Programs Board; Vice Chair, Public Lands Steering Committee, and Member, Public Lands—Clean Water Act Committee, National Association of Counties; Member, Audit Committee, Nevada Association of Counties; Crop Assistance Program, Farm Service Agency, U.S. Department of Agriculture; Participant, Federal Funding for Payment in Lieu of Taxes Program, U.S. Department of the Interior.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS: President, Elko County Board of Commissioners, 2002-2010; Past President, Nevada Association of Counties, 2007; Small business owner for over 20 years; Member, State Contractors' Board, 2008-2010; Board of Trustees of the Fund for Hospital Care to Indigent Persons, 2009-2010; Fire Science Academy Task Force; Blue Ribbon Task Force to Evaluate Nevada Department of Transportation Long-Range Projects (two terms).





LUCY FLORES

Democrat

Assembly District No. 28
(Clark County)

Public Relations/Media Consultant



Born: 1979 – Glendale, California

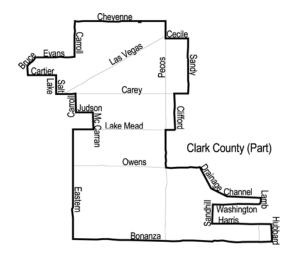
Educated: Rancho High School, Las Vegas; University of Southern California (USC), B.A.;

William S. Boyd School of Law, University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV), J.D.

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2011 (first elected November 2010)—one regular session.

**AFFILIATIONS:** National Hispanic Caucus of State Legislators, 2010-current; National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials, 2010-current; Latin Chamber of Commerce, 2008-current.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Excellence in Legal Clinics Award, Boyd School of Law, UNLV, 2010; Dean's Award, Boyd School of Law, UNLV, 2010; Hubbard Award, Mexican American Alumni Association, USC, 2007; Scholar, Unruh Institute of Politics, USC, 2005-2006.





JASON M. FRIERSON Democrat Assembly District No. 8 (Clark County) Attorney



Born: 1970 – Los Angeles, California

Educated: University of Nevada, Reno (UNR), B.S., Health Science; William S. Boyd

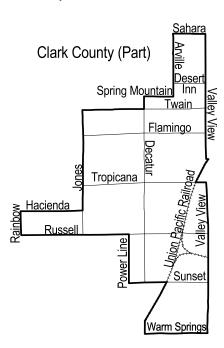
School of Law, University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV), J.D.

Hobbies/Special Interests: Family, traveling, weight lifting, youth sports

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2011 (first elected November 2010)—one regular session.

**AFFILIATIONS:** University of Nevada Alumni Association; Alumni Association, Boyd School of Law, UNLV; Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.; Football Official, Southern Nevada Officials Association.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Leadership Las Vegas, Class of 2008; President, Las Vegas Chapter, National Bar Association, 2005; Barbara Buckley Community Service Award, 2001; Roosevelt Fitzgerald Outstanding Student Award, 2001;



Special Projects Editor, Nevada Law Journal, 2001; President, Student Bar Association, Boyd School of Law, UNLV, 1999-2000; AmeriCorps program, 1995-1996; President, Associated Students of the University of Nevada, 1994-1995; Kappa Alpha Psi Leadership League and Jason Frierson Day award for leadership and community service, City of Las Vegas, 1994; Running Back, UNR, 1988-1992.



EDWIN (ED) A. GOEDHART
Republican
Assembly District No. 36
(Esmeralda, Lincoln, Mineral, and
Nye Counties, and portions of
Churchill County)
Commodities Procurement and Alternative
Energy Programs Manager



Born: 1962 – Downey, California

Educated: Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Michigan, B.S., Accounting and Business, 1984

Married: Renae

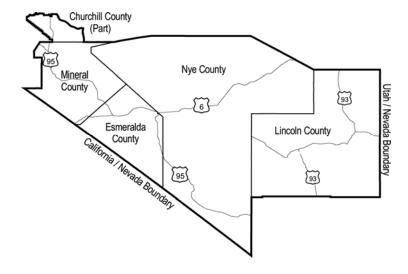
Children: Rachelle, Brandon

Hobbies/Special Interests: Traveling, fishing, 4x4 off-roading, current events, reading

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2007-2011 (first elected November 2006)—four special and three regular sessions.

AFFILIATIONS: Nevada Farm Bureau.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Development and implementation of organic dairying and farming, 1997-2010; three terms, Amargosa Valley Town Advisory Board; Board, Science and Technology Development Corporation, 2002-2005; Board, Southern Nye County Conservation District, 1998-2002; Co-Valedictorian, Valley Christian High School, 1980; National Merit Finalist, 1980.





PETER (PETE) J. GOICOECHEA
Republican
Assembly District No. 35
(Eureka, Pershing, and White Pine Counties, and portions of Churchill, Humboldt, Lander, Lyon, and Washoe Counties)
Rancher



Born: 1949 - Salt Lake City, Utah

Educated: White Pine County schools; Eureka County High School; Utah State University

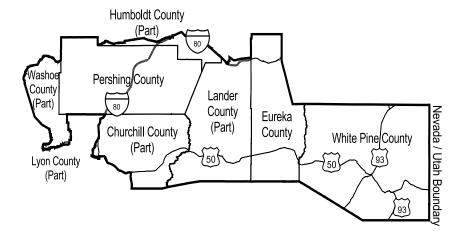
Married: Glady Tognoni

Children: J.J. Goicoechea, D.V.M., Jolene Goicoechea-Lema

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2003-2011 (*first elected November 2002*)—eight special and five regular sessions. Minority Floor Leader, 2011; Minority Whip, 2007-2009.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Eureka Volunteer Fire Department; Rodeo Club, Eureka High School; Nevada Cattlemen's Association; Nevada Water Resource Association; E Clampus Vitus, Snowshoe Thompson Chapter, Carson City, Nevada.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Sixteen-year Eureka County Commissioner; Humboldt River Basin Authority; Nevada Rural Health Centers; Western States Coalition; Nevada Association of Counties; State Land Use Planning Advisory Council; Nevada Grazing Board of District Nos. 4 and 6; Central Committee of Nevada State Grazing Boards; Director, Nevada Water Resource Association.





TOM GRADY
Republican
Assembly District No. 38
(Storey County, most of Lyon County, and portions of Carson City and Churchill County)
Retired Banker and Executive Director,
Nevada League of Cities and Municipalities



Born: 1939 - Tonopah, Nevada

**Educated:** Bishop Manogue High School, Reno; University of Nevada, Reno; Washington State Bankers School at Washington State University, Pullman, Washington

Married: Patricia

Children: Tina Cordes, Tim Grady, Tami Harmon

Grandchildren: Seven

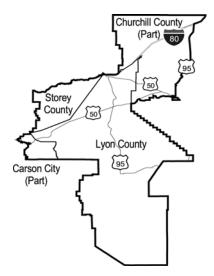
Military: United States Army Reserve

Hobbies/Special Interests: Travel, golf, grandchildren

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2003-2011 (first elected November 2002)—eight special and five regular sessions.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Walker River Basin Communities Foundation; Life Member, Yerington Lions Club.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Executive Director, Nevada League of Cities and Municipalities, 1993-2001; Mayor, City of Yerington, 1981-1993; Public Official of the Year, Nevada League of Cities, 1987; Past President, Nevada League of Cities, 1986-1987; Yerington City Council, 1979-1981; Lion of the Year, Yerington Lions Club, 1981-1982; Lion of the Year, Fallon Lions Club, 1971-1972; Board, National League of Cities; thirty years of agriculture banking in northern Nevada; represented local governments at eight special and five regular legislative sessions.





JOHN HAMBRICK Republican Assembly District No. 2 (Clark County) Retired Investigator



Born: 1945 - St. Paul, Minnesota

*Educated:* Certified Fraud Examiner, University of Minnesota; Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, Brunswick, Georgia; Border Patrol Academy, Brownsville, Texas; Basic and Advanced Treasury School, Washington, D.C.

Married: Nancy

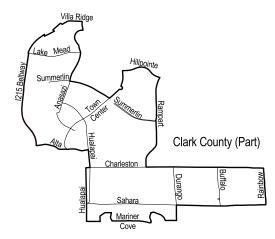
Children: Laura Sullivan, John

Hobbies/Special Interests: Baseball, shooting, volunteering

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2008-2011 (*first elected November 2008*)—two special and two regular sessions. Assembly Committees on Health and Human Services, 2009-2011; Transportation, 2011; Ways and Means, 2011; Corrections, Parole, and Probation, 2009; Elections, Procedures, Ethics, and Constitutional Amendments, 2009; Judiciary, 2009. Vice Chair, Committee on Industrial Programs, 2009-2010; Member, Legislative Committee on Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice, 2009-2010.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Youth Services Board, Prince William County, Virginia; Advisory Council, Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court; Storm Water Management Appeals Board; National Rifle Association; Chair, Nevada Juvenile Justice Commission; Clark County Citizen Review Board; Past Chair, Clark County Republican Party; Past President, Lions Club, Quantico, Virginia.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Inspector General's Award for Career Achievement, 2000; Vice President's Award for Excellence (Hammer Award), 1999; Workers' Compensation Fraud Taskforce Award for Outstanding Team, 1999.





SCOTT HAMMOND Republican Assembly District No. 13 (Clark County) Teacher



Born: 1966 - Syracuse, New York

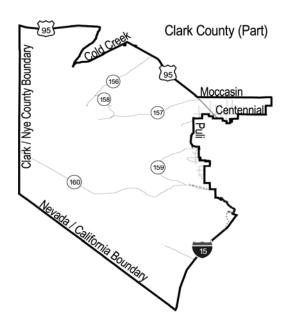
Educated: University of Nevada, Las Vegas, B.A., Political Science, 1995; M.A., Political

Science, 1997

Married: Tonya Hammond Children: Tomás, Olivia, Sofia

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2011 (first elected November 2010)—one regular session.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Educator of the Year, Indian Springs High School, 2001-2002.





IRA HANSEN
Republican
Assembly District No. 32
(Portions of Humboldt, Lander, and Washoe Counties)
Business Owner



Born: 1960 - Reno, Nevada

Educated: Sparks High School, 1979

Married: Alexis (Lloyd)

Children: Daniel, Rachel, Jacob, Sarah, Ian, Forrest, Mallory, Larissa

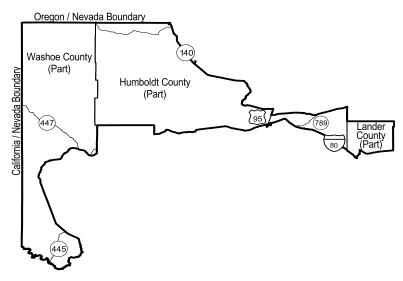
Grandchildren: Lily, London, Finnan, Ellie

Hobbies/Special Interests: Nevada history, reading, hunting/fishing, nature study, camping

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2011 (first elected November 2010)—one regular session. Member, Assembly Committees on Education, Judiciary, Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining, 2011.

**AFFILIATIONS:** National Rifle Association; Lifetime member, Nevada Bighorns Unlimited; Active Member, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints; Coach, Sparks Little League; Coach, Sparks Pop Warner; Scoutmaster, Boy Scouts of America.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Columnist, *Sparks Tribune*, 1994-2010; Radio talk show host, KKFT, 2007-2008, and KOH, 1995-2001; Columnist, *Elko Daily Free Press*, 1994-2001; Owner: Ira Hansen and Sons Plumbing and Heating, Inc., Ira Hansen and Sons Disaster Cleanup Services, LLC, Ira Hansen and Sons General Contracting Services, LLC; Licensed Master Plumber; Licensed Mechanical Contractor; Licensed General Contractor; Eagle Scout.





CRESENT HARDY
Republican
Assembly District No. 20
(Clark County)
General Engineering Contractor



Born: 1957 - St. George, Utah

Educated: Virgin Valley High School, Mesquite, Nevada; Dixie State College, St. George,

Utah

Married: Peri Jean Hardy

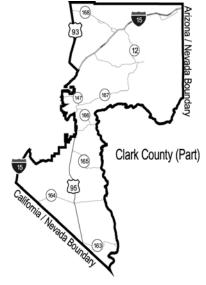
*Children:* Kagen, Archer, Stacha, Vonae *Hobbies/Special Interests:* Hunting, fishing

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2011 (first elected November 2010)—one regular session.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Cofounder and Member, Mesquite Builders and Contractors Association, 2006-2009; Cofounder and President, Mesquite Golf Fore Kids, 2005-2009; First Board Chair, Mesa View Regional Hospital, 2003-2005; Board of Directors, Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority, 2000-2002; Member, Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada, 1997-2002.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** First Distinguished Citizen Award, The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the United States of America (Mesquite Elks Club), 2010; Business Man of the Year, Mesquite Area Chamber of Commerce, 2003; Distinguished Citizen of the Year, City of Mesquite, 2002; Member,

Mesquite City Council, 1997-2002; Vice Chair, Clark County Regional Flood Control District, 1997-2002; Board of Directors, Virgin Valley Water District, 1990-1996; Director of Public Works, City of Mesquite, 1986-1993.





PAT HICKEY Republican Assembly District No. 25 (Washoe County) Contractor, Journalist, College Instructor



Born: 1950 - Carson City, Nevada

Educated: South Lake Tahoe High School; Regents College of New York, B.S.; University

of Nevada, Reno, M.A., Journalism

Married: Shin

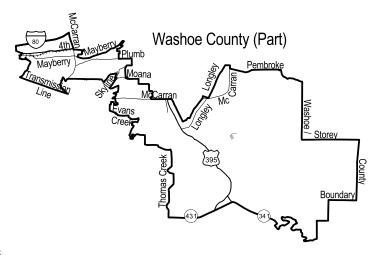
Children: Johnmin, Shinae, Daemin, Hannah

Hobbies/Special Interests: Fishing, writing, skiing, family holidays

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 1997-1998 and 2011 (first elected November 1996; after lapse in service, subsequently elected November 2010)—two regular sessions. Member, Assembly Committees on Commerce and Labor, 2011; Legislative Operations and Elections, 2011; Ways and Means, 2011; Education, 1997; Government Affairs, 1997; Health and Human Services, 1997.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Owner, Pat Hickey Painting; Editor, *Nevada Journal*; Columnist, *Nevada Appeal*; Radio reporter, KOH; Journalism instructor, Western Nevada College.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Reno Sparks Chamber of Commerce; National Federation of Independent Business; Volunteer, Boys and Girls Club of Truckee Meadows; Parent Coordinator, Family Support Council; Graduate, Citizens Police Academy, Reno Police Department; Western Regional Director, American Leadership Conference.





JOSEPH (JOE) M. HOGAN Democrat Assembly District No. 10 (Clark County) Retired Federal Official



Born: 1937 - Fort Dodge, Iowa

Educated: University of Notre Dame, B.S., Business Administration; Georgetown

University Law Center, J.D. *Married:* Sandy S. Hogan

Children: Kathleen Hogan Rauh, J. Michael Hogan, David J. Hogan, J. Alan Wilt

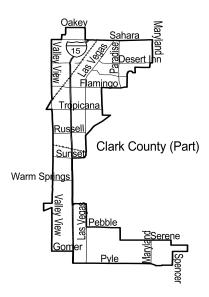
Military: United States Navy Officer

Hobbies/Special Interests: International travel, rockhounding, snorkeling, hiking

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2004-2011 (first elected November 2004)—six special and four regular sessions. Vice Chair, Assembly Committee on Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining, 2009-2011; Member, Assembly Committees on Transportation, 2009-2011; Ways and Means, 2009-2011.

**AFFILIATIONS:** National Urban League; Common Cause; Nature Conservancy; League of Women Voters; ACLU; World Wildlife Fund.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** State Chair, Common Cause Maryland; County Chair, Democratic Party of Contra Costa County, California; Board Member, Las Vegas-Clark County Urban League.





WILLIAM C. HORNE Democrat Assembly District No. 34 (Clark County) Attorney



**Born:** 1962 – Wichita Falls, Texas

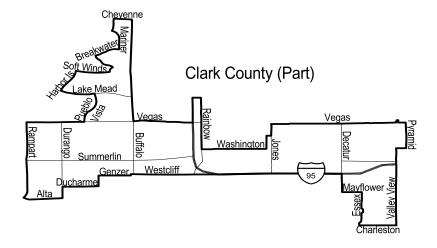
Educated: Western High School; University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV), B.A.,

Criminal Justice; William S. Boyd School of Law, UNLV, J.D.

Children: Kayla, Chelsey, Henry, Chloe

Hobbies/Special Interests: Golf, weight lifting/exercise

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Nevada Assembly, 2003-2011 (first elected November 2002)—eight special and five regular sessions. Majority Whip, 2011; Assistant Majority Whip, 2007-2009. Chair, Assembly Committee on Judiciary, 2011, Member, 2009; Assembly Committees on Legislative Operations and Elections, 2011; Commerce and Labor, 2009-2011; Chair, Assembly Committee on Corrections, Parole, and Probation, 2009; Member, Assembly Committee on Elections, Procedures, Ethics, and Constitutional Amendments, 2009. Chair, Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice, 2009-2010; Chair, Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice's Subcommittee, 2009-2010; Member, Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice's Subcommittee on the Reclassification of Crimes, 2009-2010; National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws, 2009-2010; Nevada State Council for Interstate Adult Offender Supervision, 2009-2010; Nevada State Council for Interstate Juvenile



#### WILLIAM C. HORNE

Democrat
Assembly District No. 34
(Clark County)
Attorney
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Supervision, 2009-2010; Legislative Commission's Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste, 2007-2008; Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study the Benefits, Costs, and Feasibility of the Implementation of Courts of Chancery, 2007-2008; National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws, 2007-2008; Chair, Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study Sentencing and Pardons, and Parole and Probation, 2005-2006; Nevada Commission on Homeland Security, 2003-2006.

**AFFILIATIONS:** National Black Caucus of State Legislators; Nevada Black Elected Officials Caucus; Advisory Board, Bridge Counseling Associates; Phi Alpha Delta International Law Fraternity; Tau Kappa Epsilon; Advisory Committee, College of Urban Affairs, UNLV; Adjunct Professor, UNLV.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Chair, Law and Criminal Justice Standing Committee, National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL), 2011; Flemming Fellow, 2005; Outstanding Freshman, 2003; Graduate, Western Legislative Academy, The Council of State Governments–WEST, 2003; Leadership Institute Graduate, NCSL, 2003; Past President, Phi Alpha Delta; Past Class Representative, William S. Boyd Student Bar Association; Member, Society of Advocates.



MARILYN KIRKPATRICK Democrat Assembly District No. 1 (Clark County) Food Sales Executive



**Born:** 1967

Educated: Vegas Verdes Elementary School; Brinley Junior High School; Western High

School; Krolak Business School

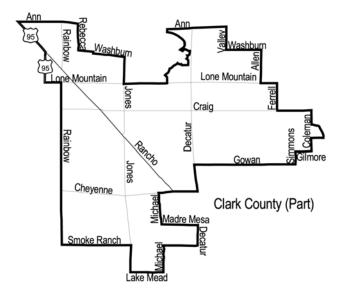
Married: Mike

*Children:* Jessica, Tamara, Destiny, Dalton, Sarah, Tara *Grandchildren:* Brianna, Brett, Sierra, Ryan, Lexie

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2004-2011 (*first elected November 2004*)—six special and four regular sessions. Assistant Majority Floor Leader, 2011.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Nevada Parent Teacher Association; Girl Scouts of America; National Rifle Association.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** The Girl Scout Spirit Award (Juliette Gordon Low), Girl Scouts of Frontier Council, Nevada, 2008; Dinosaur Award, Cultural Visionary, 2008; Chair, Girl Scouts Dessert Before Dinner, 2007-present; Girl Scout Leader, 1997-2008; Past Vice President, Girl Scouts of America; Vice Chair, North Las Vegas Planning Commission, 2003-2004; Board, Community Events; Parent Hall of Fame; North Las Vegas Planning Commissioner, 2001-2004.





RANDY KIRNER
Republican
Assembly District No. 26
(Washoe County)
Retired Business Executive



Born: 1946 – Los Angeles, California

*Educated:* North Georgia College & State University (NGCSU), Dahlonega, Georgia, B.S.; Georgia State University, Atlanta, Georgia, M.B.A.; West Coast University, Los Angeles, California, M.S., Information Systems Management; University of La Verne, La Verne, California, Ed.D.

Married: Peggy Kirner Children: Jim, Karen Grandchildren: Three

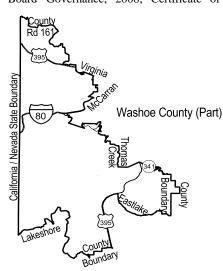
Military: United States Army, 1967-1972; Captain, Infantry, Vietnam 1970-1971

Hobbies/Special Interests: Travel

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2011 (first elected November 2010)—one regular session.

**AFFILIATIONS:** State and Local Government Benefits Association, 2005-2010; International Foundation of Employee Benefit Plans, 1999-2010; Lifetime member, Alumni Association, NGCSU; St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Reno.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Chair, 2008-2010, Member, 1999-2007, Board of the Public Employees' Benefits Program; Certification Program, Board of Directors, University of California, Los Angeles, 2009; Certificate of Distinction in Board Governance, 2008; Certificate of Achievement in Public Plan Policy, 2006;



President's Advisory Council, Oregon Institute of Technology, 1998-2006; Stanford Graduate School Executive Program in Organizational Change, 1988; U.S. Army Ranger and Master Paratrooper, 1969-1972; Awarded Bronze Star; 1970; Combat Infantryman's Badge, 1970; Honor Graduate, Regular Army Infantry Officers Basic Course, 1969; Distinguished Military Graduate, NGCSU, 1967.



KELLY KITE
Republican
Assembly District No. 39
(Douglas County and portions of
Carson City and Washoe County)
Retired



Born: 1947 – Wheaton, Missouri

Educated: Rocky Comfort High School, Missouri

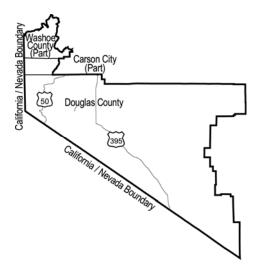
Married: Cathie Kite Children: Denise, Dianna

*Military:* United States Navy, 1966-1970 *Hobbies/Special Interests:* Golf, hunting

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2011 (first elected November 2010)—one regular session.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Douglas County Business Council, 2008-2010; Carson Valley Men's Golf Club, 2007-2010; Western Nevada Resource Conservation and Development District (Western Nevada RC&D), Natural Resource Conservation Service, United States Department of Agriculture, 1997-2010; Douglas County Republican Central Committee, 1996-2010; Associate, Sierra Nevada Republican Women; Associate, Incline Village/Crystal Bay Republican Women.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS**: Licensed Nevada insurance agent, 2000-present; Western Nevada RC&D, 1997-present; Nevada Association of Counties, 1997-2008; Carson Water Subconservancy District, 1997-2008; Douglas County Commissioner, 1997-2008; twenty years in cable television business, 1973-1994.





PETER LIVERMORE
Republican
Assembly District No. 40
(Portions of Carson City and
Washoe County)
Retired Businessperson



Born: 1941 – New Orleans, Louisiana

Educated: L. E. Rabouin High School, New Orleans, Louisiana

Married: Laurie

Children: Richard, Sheri, Jackie

Grandchildren: Four

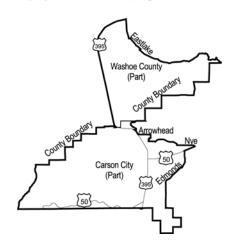
Military: United States Marine Corps, 1958-1962

Hobbies/Special Interests: Hunting, fishing, exploring outdoors of Nevada, camping

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2011 (first elected November 2010)—one regular session.

**AFFILIATIONS:** President, Carson City Youth Sports Association, 1987-2010; Carson City Chamber of Commerce, 1980-2010; Carson Rotary Club, 1978-2010; Nevada League of Cities and Municipalities, 2007-2009; Nevada Association of Counties, 2005-2007.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Trustee, Carson Tahoe Hospital, 1995-2011; Chair, Carson Tahoe Healthcare System, 2010; Land Use Planning Advisory Council, Division of State Lands, 2007-2010; Vice Chair, Carson Water Subconservancy District, 1999-2010; Carson City Board of Supervisors, 1998-2010; Nevada Commission on Aging, 2007-2009; Mayor pro Tem, Carson City, 2004-2006.





APRIL MASTROLUCA
Democrat
Assembly District No. 29
(Clark County)
National Service Representative,
National Parent Teacher Association



Born: 1968 - Hayward, California

Educated: Eldorado High School; ongoing studies at Lincoln Christian College

Married: Dan

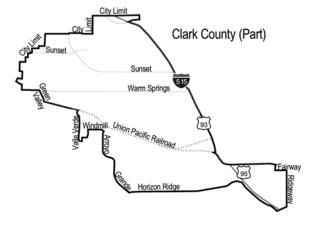
Children: Kelsey, Nicholas

Hobbies/Special Interests: Reading, crocheting

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2008-2011 (first elected November 2008)—two special and two regular sessions. Chair, Assembly Committee on Health and Human Services, 2011, Member, 2009; Member, Assembly Committees on Education, 2009-2011; Ways and Means, 2011; Government Affairs, 2009. Vice Chair, Legislative Committee on Education, 2009-2010. Member: Legislative Committee on Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice, 2009-2010; Advisory Council on the State Program for Fitness and Wellness, 2009-2010; Advisory Council on Parental Involvement, 2009-2010; P-16 Advisory Council, 2009-2010.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Docent, The Neon Museum; Nevada Parent Teacher Association (PTA); Las Vegas Youth Orchestras; Green Valley High School Orchestra Booster Club and Band Booster Club.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS: Nevada Women's Lobby Women Legislators Rising Star, 2010; Western Legislative Academy, The Council of State Governments—WEST, 2009; Life Member, Board, Nevada PTA, 2000-2002; Vice President of Community Council, Legislative Representative, Public Affairs and Advocacy Chair, Placement Chair, Junior League of Las Vegas, 2001-2006; Public Relations Administrator, Safe Haven Law (Nevada Campaign); Chair, Safe Haven Task Force, 2001; Girl Scout Leader, 1998-2001; President, Kesterson PTA, 1999-2000.





RICHARD MCARTHUR
Republican
Assembly District No. 4
(Clark County)
Retired Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation



Born: 1943 - Lake Forest, Illinois

Educated: San Juan High School, Citrus Heights, California; University of California,

Davis, B.A., Economics

Married: Trish

Children: Kimberly, Michele

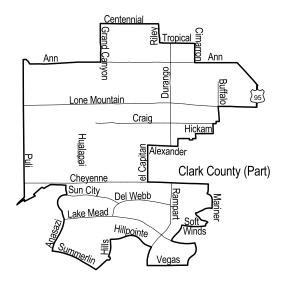
Grandchildren: Three

Military: Pilot, United States Air Force, Vietnam Tour of Duty, 1968

Hobbies/Special Interests: Dirt biking

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2008-2011 (first elected November 2008)—two special and two regular sessions. Assembly Committees on Education, 2009-2011; Judiciary, 2009-2011; Legislative Operations and Elections, 2011; Corrections, Parole, and Probation, 2009; Taxation, 2009. Alternate Member, Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice, 2009-2010.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Western Legislative Academy, The Council of State Governments–WEST, 2010.





HARVEY J. MUNFORD Democrat Assembly District No. 6 (Clark County) Retired School Teacher



Born: 1940 - Akron, Ohio

Educated: Montana State University at Billings, B.A., Biology and Physical Education, and

M.A., Guidance and Counseling and Political Science

Married: Viviana

Children: Vivian, Helen, Donna, Jamila, Steve

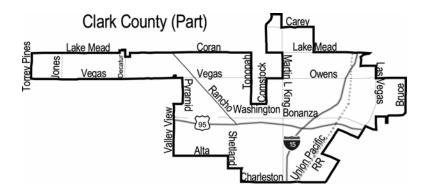
Hobbies/Special Interests: Horseback riding, watching old Western movies, dancing,

playing the organ

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2004-2011 (*first elected November 2004*)—six special and four regular sessions.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Akron University Alumni Association; Montana State University Alumni; National Education Association; Sunny Place Homeowners' Association; West Las Vegas Horseback Riding Club.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS: MVP—basketball in college; NAIA All-American, two years; Montana State University Hall of Fame; holds the record in shooting percentage and block shots at Montana State University at Billings; first in the history of Montana State University at Billings to be free-agent drafted by the Los Angeles Lakers and the Los Angeles Rams; first black man to attend and graduate from Montana State University at Billings; accompanied students on thirteen trips to Washington, D.C., through the Close-Up Program (where students see government in action), with the highlight of those trips attending two presidential inaugurations: 1993—President William J. Clinton; 2001—President George W. Bush.





**DINA NEAL**Democrat
Assembly District No. 7
(Clark County)
Contract Administrator and
Adjunct Professor



Born: 1972 – North Las Vegas, Nevada

*Educated:* Chaparral High School, Las Vegas; Southern University and A&M College, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, B.A., Political Science; Southern University Law Center, J.D.

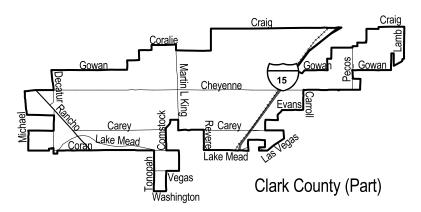
Children: Alexandra, Tuwaski

Hobbies/Special Interests: Reading, swimming, education

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2011 (first elected November 2010)—one regular session.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Member, National Bar Association; Congressional Black Caucus, 2009-2010; Member, Clark County Democrats Recruitment Committee, 2009; Community Board Member, Southern Economic Enterprise Board, 2007-2009; Caucus Chair, Precinct 4017, Presidential Caucus, 2008; Member, Urban Chamber of Commerce, 2005-2007; Vice Chair, Clark County Community Development Block Grant Board; National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Grant writer, Project Save; Volunteer, adult literacy programs; Extern, Ninth Circuit Court, 2001.





JOHN OCEGUERA
Democrat
Assembly District No. 16
(Clark County)
Assistant Chief, North Las Vegas
Fire Department



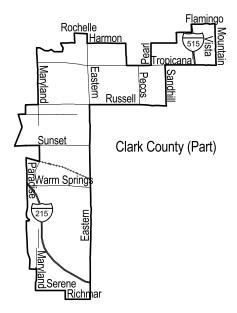
Born: 1968 - Reno, Nevada

*Educated:* Churchill County High School; Western Nevada College, A.A., General Studies; Truckee Meadows Community College, A.S., Fire Science; Cogswell College, B.S., Fire Administration; University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV), M.P.A.; William S. Boyd School of Law, UNLV, J.D.

Married: Janie Oceguera Children: Jackson

Hobbies: Volunteer activities, outdoor activities, firefighter competitions

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE: Nevada Assembly, 2001-2011 (first elected November 2000)—ten special and six regular sessions. Speaker of the Nevada Assembly, 2011; Majority Floor Leader, 2007-2009. Chair, Assembly Committee on Commerce and Labor, 2007; Vice Chair, 2005; Member, 2001-2003, 2009-2011; Member, Assembly Committee on Ways and Means, 2009-2011; Member, Assembly Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections, 2011; Vice Chair, Assembly Committee on Judiciary, 2003; Member 2001, 2005-2007; Chair, Assembly Committee on Transportation, 2005; Member, 2001-2003; Assembly Committee on Constitutional Amendments, 2001; Assembly Select Committee on Health and Legal Issues, 2001. Chair, Legislative Commission, 2009-2010; Member, 2007-2009; Vice Chair, 2005-2007; Chair, Committee to Consult With the Director, 2009-2010; Member, 2005-2008; Member: Interim Finance Committee (IFC), 2009-2010;



#### JOHN OCEGUERA

Democrat
Assembly District No. 16
(Clark County)
Assistant Chief, North Las Vegas Fire Department
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IFC's Subcommittee to Conduct a Review of Nevada's Revenue Structure, 2009-2010; IFC's Subcommittee to Conduct a Review of Nevada's Revenue Structure Working Group to Review Nominations for the Nevada Vision Stakeholder Group, 2009-2010; Legislative Commission's Committee to Study the Requirements for Reapportionment and Redistricting, 2009-2010; Nevada Commission on Homeland Security, 2007-2008, 2009-2010. Chair, Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Review Regulations, 2005-2006; Member, 2007-2008; Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study Transportation Issues, 2007-2008; Nevada Commission on Sports, 2007-2008; Chair, Legislative Commission's Security Subcommittee, 2005-2006; Vice Chair, Commission on Special License Plates, 2005-2006; Member, Legislative Counsel Bureau's Biennial Budget Review Committee, 2005-2006; Vice Chair, Legislative Commission's Committee to Study Nevada's Industrial Insurance Program, 2003-2004; Committee to Evaluate Higher Education Programs, 2003-2004; Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study the Death Penalty and Related DNA Testing, 2001-2002.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Board, American Heart Association; International Association of Firefighters; International Association of Fire Chiefs; Alpha Tau Omega, UNLV Alumni Association.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS: Author, "Control Your Destiny: Your Involvement in Local and State Politics Can Have A Profound Effect on the Fire Service," FireRescue Magazine, Volume 28, Issue No. 1, January 2010; Author, "On the Campaign Trail: When Public Support Wanes, Firefighters Must Become Fire Service 'Politicians,'" FireRescue Magazine, Volume 28, Issue No. 10, October 2010; Ambassador for Autism Award, Grant a Gift Autism Foundation, 2010; Award, Operation Fire H.E.A.T., 2010; Board of Directors, State Legislative Leaders Foundation, 2010; Leadership Las Vegas, 2008; Delegate, American Council of Young Political Leaders, 2008; Consumer Advocate of the Year, Nevada Trial Lawyers Association, 2007; Graduate, Clark County Leadership Forum, 2007; Top 40 Under 40 Award, In Business Las Vegas magazine, 2007; Friend of the Latin Chamber Award, 2006; Publication: "You've Been Served With a Subpoena . . . Now What?," Fire Engineering Magazine, March 2006; Cofounder, Experts of Fire, LLC, September 2003-2008; Public Policy Hero Award, American Heart Association, 2004; Elected Official of the Year, American Heart Association, 2003; Legislator of the Year, National Association of Social Workers, Nevada Chapter, 2003; University of Virginia, Darden Graduate School, Business Administration, Emerging Political Leaders Program, 2005; Toll Fellow, 2003; Leadership Institute, National Conference of State Legislatures, 2001; Western Legislative Academy, The Council of State Governments-WEST; Firefighter Combat Challenge World Championships, 1995-2000; World Firefighter Games, 1992, 1994, 1997; Pan American Firefighter Games, 1993.



JAMES OHRENSCHALL Democrat Assembly District No. 12 (Clark County) Attorney at Law



Born: 1972 - Las Vegas, Nevada

*Educated:* Chaparral High School, Sunset High School, Las Vegas; College of Southern Nevada; University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV), B.A., Economics; William S.

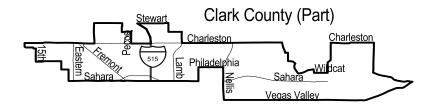
Boyd School of Law, UNLV, J.D.

Hobbies/Special Interests: Hiking, climbing, skiing

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2007-2011 (first elected November 2006)—four special and three regular sessions. Vice Chair, Assembly Committee on Judiciary, 2011. Alternate Member, Legislative Commission, 2009-2010; Member, Governor's Workforce Investment Board, 2009-2010; Commissioner, National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws, 2009-2010; Nevada Statewide AIDS Advisory Task Force, 2009-2010; Nevada Autism Task Force, 2007-2008.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Nevada State Bar; United States District Court for the District of Nevada; United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit; UNLV Alumni Association.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS: Autism Advocate Award, Grant a Gift Autism Foundation; Graduate, Western Legislative Academy, The Council of State Governments–WEST; Appointee, Law and Criminal Justice Standing Committee, National Conference of State Legislatures; Ralph J. Roske Award for Outstanding Work in Introductory History, UNLV Department of History; Founding Member, Pi Mu Epsilon, National Mathematics Honor Society, UNLV Chapter; Semifinalist, Clark County Bar Association Client Counseling Competition, William S. Boyd School of Law, UNLV; Dean's Honor List, William S. Boyd School of Law, UNLV; Academic Merit Scholarship, William S. Boyd School of Law, UNLV; Former Member, International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local Union No. 631, Las Vegas, Nevada; Delegate representing Nevada, Young Democrats of America National Convention; Delegate representing Nevada and the United States., World Hellenic Inter-Parliamentary Association Bi-Annual Meeting; Meritorious Public Service Award, American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association; Outstanding Grass-Roots Democrat of the Year Award, Paradise Democratic Club of Clark County.





PEGGY PIERCE
Democrat
Assembly District No. 3
(Clark County)
Resources Coordinator,
United Labor Agency of Nevada



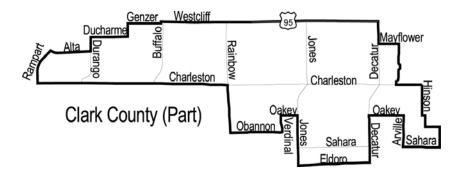
**Born:** 1954 – Milton, Massachusetts

Educated: High school graduate; course work at San Francisco Community College

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2003-2011 (*first elected November 2002*)—eight special and five regular sessions. Chief Deputy Whip, 2011.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Sierra Club; American Civil Liberties Union; Amnesty International; Culinary Union Local 226.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Worked on air quality problems in Clark County, 1997-2008; Former Member, Clark County Air Quality Forum and the Air Pollution Hearing Board, 2001-2002; worked extensively on environmental issues in Clark County, focusing on energy and air quality, 1992-2002.





TICK SEGERBLOM Democrat Assembly District No. 9 (Clark County) Lawyer



Born: 1948 – Boulder City, Nevada

Educated: Boulder City High School; Pomona College, B.A.; University of Denver, J.D.

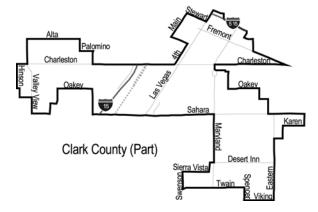
Married: Sharon

Children: Mary Clare, Eva, Carl

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2007-2011 (first elected November 2006)—four special and three regular sessions.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Director, First Asian Bank; Director, Citizenship Project; Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada; Neon Museum; Clark County Historic Preservation Society; Asian Chamber of Commerce; Clark County Bar Association; Nevada Bar Association; National Employment Lawyers Association; American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU); Board of Governors, Nevada Trial Lawyers Association, 1985-1993.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS: Executive Committee, Nevada Democratic Party, 2008; Commissioner, National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws, 2008; Best Lawyers in America, 1993-2010; Chair, Las Vegas Historical Preservation Commission, 1996-2000; Las Vegas Planning Commission, 1991-1995; Civil Libertarian of the Year, ACLU, 1992; State Chair, Nevada Democratic Party, 1990-1994; Member, Colorado River Commission, and Western Regional Director, 1988-1990; Nevada Coordinator, Dukakis for President, 1988; Democratic National Committee, 1978-1979; White House Personnel Office, 1977; Vista Volunteer, 1968; Single Season Rushing Record, Pomona College, 1967; Most Valuable Athlete, Boulder City High School, 1965-1966; Third-generation Nevadan; Most Valuable Player, Nevada State AA Football, 1965; General Counsel, Asian Chamber of Commerce Political Action Committee; General Counsel, League of Korean Citizens Nevada.





MARK SHERWOOD Republican Assembly District No. 21 (Clark County) Magazine Publisher



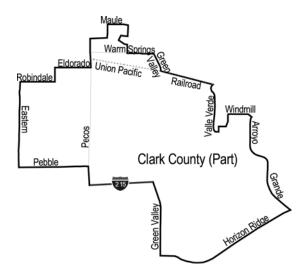
Born: 1970 – Bellevue, Washington

*Educated:* Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, B.A., Broadcast Communications; University of Missouri-Columbia, Columbia, Missouri, Post-baccalaureate Studies Program

*Married:* Audrey *Children:* Four

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2011 (*first elected November 2010*)—one regular session. Minority Whip, 2011. Assembly Committees on Health and Human Services, Judiciary, Transportation, 2011.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Past member and Paul Harris Fellow, Las Vegas Rotary Club; Henderson Chamber of Commerce; Youth Basketball Coach, City of Henderson Parks and Recreation Department; Troop Committee Chair, Boy Scouts of America, Las Vegas Area Council; Community Relations Committee, Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC) of Greater Las Vegas.





DEBBIE SMITH
Democrat
Assembly District No. 30
(Washoe County)
Benefits Representative



Born: 1956 - Tucson, Arizona

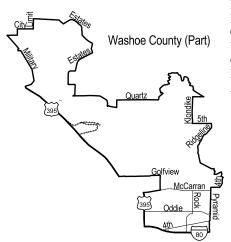
Married: Greg Smith

*Children:* Olivia and David Bouch, Ian Smith, Erin Smith *Hobbies/Special Interests:* Reading, walking, scrapbooking

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2001-2002 and 2004-2011 (*first elected November 2000*; *after lapse in service, subsequently elected November 2004*)—eight special and five regular sessions. Speaker pro Tempore, 2011; Assistant Majority Whip, 2007-2009.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Board Member, Nevada Afterschool Alliance; Board, Education Alliance; Washoe County School District Parent Involvement Council; Consultant, Nevada Parent Teacher Association (PTA); Advisory Board, Northern Nevada Childhood Cancer Foundation; Sparks Chamber of Commerce; Office and Professional Employees International Union Local 29.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS: Toll Fellow, 2010; Yale Women's Campaign School, 2010; Public Education Hall of Fame, 2009; Elected Official of the Year, Disability Advocates; Public Official of the Year, Nevada Association of Social Workers; Legislator of the Year, School Counselor's Association; Western Legislative Academy, The Council of State Governments—WEST, 2002; Flemming Fellow, Class of 2002; Past President, Nevada PTA; Past Member:



Lander County School Board, National PTA Board of Directors, Sparks Charter Commission; Freshman Lawmaker of the Year, Peace Officers Research Association of Nevada, 2001; Life Member, National PTA; Former Chair, Council to Establish Academic Standards.



LYNN D. STEWART
Republican
Assembly District No. 22
(Clark County)
Retired High School Teacher;
University Student Teaching
Supervisor for Brigham Young
University-Idaho



Born: 1941 - Salt Lake City, Utah

Educated: Las Vegas High School; University of Nevada, Las Vegas; Brigham Young

University, B.S. and M.A. *Married:* Dianne Stewart

Children: Layne Duff Stewart, Suzanne Conger

Grandchildren: Seven

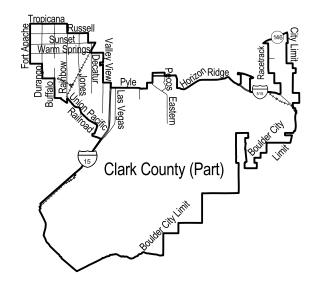
Military: United States Army, 1967-1970; ILT Transportation Corps; Vietnam, 1969-1970 Hobbies/Special Interests: Reading (history and politics), taking grandchildren on

"adventures"

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2007-2011 (*first elected November 2006*)—four special and three regular sessions. Assistant Minority Floor Leader, 2009-2011.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Kids Voting; Ready for Life; Catholic Charities; Citizens for Responsible Government, Nevada Concerned Citizens.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Thirty-year involvement in Boy Scouts of America; taught high school government and history for 34 years; church leader; England Mission, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.





MELISSA WOODBURY Republican Assembly District No. 23 (Clark County) Elementary Teacher



Born: Palo Alto, California

Educated: Boulder City High School; Brigham Young University, B.S., Special Education;

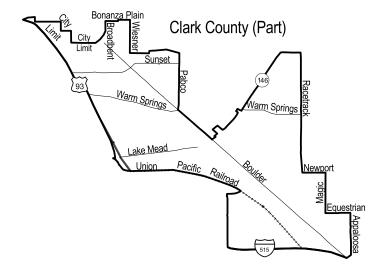
Southern Utah University, M.Ed.

Hobbies/Special Interests: Baseball, outdoor recreation, traveling, musical theater, piano

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICE:** Nevada Assembly, 2008-2011 (*first elected November 2008*)—two special and two regular sessions. Assembly Committees on Taxation, 2011; Education, 2009-2011; Government Affairs, 2009-2011; Transportation, 2009-2011.

**AFFILIATIONS:** Member, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints; Teacher, Clark County School District.

**PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:** Full-time church volunteer in Argentina for Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints; 16-year teacher for Clark County School District, primarily working with children with special needs; Nevada state licenses in Special Education and General Education; Bilingual Education Endorsement; Teaching English as a Second Language Endorsement; Autism Endorsement candidate; Studied abroad in Africa, France, and Israel; Fluent in French and Spanish.



# MEMBERS OF THE NEVADA LEGISLATURE

## CHAPTER I MEMBERS OF THE NEVADA LEGISLATURE 2011 SESSION

#### **SENATE**

The information contained in Chapter I is current as of January 2011. To access the most current legislator information, refer to "Senate Member Contact Information" at <a href="http://www.leg.state.nv.us/76th2011/Legislators/Senators/slist.cfm">http://www.leg.state.nv.us/76th2011/Legislators/Senators/slist.cfm</a>.

Name, Party, and District*	Mailing and E-Mail Addresses	Telephone and/or Fax
<b>Breeden, Shirley A.</b> (D)** Clark, No. 5	284 Kershner Court Henderson, NV 89074-4180 sbreeden@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 456-6192 (H)
<b>Brower, Greg</b> (R)** Washoe, No. 3	4790 Caughlin Parkway, No. 170 Reno, NV 89519-0907 gbrower@sen.state.nv.us	(775) 398-3120 (O)
Cegavske, Barbara K. (R) Clark, No. 8	6465 Laredo Street Las Vegas, NV 89146-5272 bcegavske@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 873-0711 (H/O) (702) 222-9909 (F)
Copening, Allison (D)** Clark, No. 6	1821 Montvale Court Las Vegas, NV 89134-6683 acopening@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 869-9543 (H/O)
Denis, Moises (Mo) (D) Clark, No. 2	3204 Osage Avenue Las Vegas, NV 89101-1838 mdenis@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 657-6857 (H) (702) 743-3571 (C)
Gustavson, Donald Gary (R) Washoe, No. 2 (Portions of Lyon, Storey, and Washoe Counties)	P.O. Box 51601 Sparks, NV 89435-1601 dgustavson@sen.state.nv.us	(775) 722-1278 (C)
Halseth, Elizabeth (R) Clark, No. 9	8022 South Rainbow Boulevard, Suite 140 Las Vegas, NV 89139-6477 ehalseth@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 885-7675 (C)
Hardy, Joseph (Joe) P., M.D. (R) Clark, No. 12	P.O. Box 60306 Boulder City, NV 89006-0306 jhardy@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 293-7506 (H) (702) 581-3066 (C) (702) 293-2172 (F)
Horsford, Steven A. (D)** Clark, No. 4	3450 West Cheyenne Avenue, Suite 100 North Las Vegas, NV 89032-8223 shorsford@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 985-7535 (O) (702) 631-6400 (F)
Kieckhefer, Ben (R) Washoe, No. 4 (Portions of Carson City and Washoe County)	10045 Goler Wash Court Reno, NV 89521-3029 bkieckhefer@sen.state.nv.us	(775) 853-8320 (H) (775) 223-9618 (C)
Kihuen, Ruben J. (D) Clark, No. 10	P.O. Box 427 Las Vegas, NV 89125-0427 rkihuen@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 274-1707 (C)

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#### SENATE (continued)

Name, Party, and District*	Mailing and E-Mail Addresses	Telephone and/or Fax
Lee, John J. (D)** Clark, No. 1	3216 Villa Pisani Court North Las Vegas, NV 89031-7267 jlee@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 258-5447 (H) (702) 647-3550 (O) (702) 647-0951 (F)
<b>Leslie, Sheila</b> (D) Washoe, No. 1	825 Humboldt Street Reno, NV 89509-2009 sleslie@sen.state.nv.us	(775) 333-6564 (H)
Manendo, Mark A. (D) Clark, No. 7	4629 Butterfly Circle Las Vegas, NV 89122-6149 mmanendo@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 451-8654 (H) (702) 451-9060 (F)
McGinness, Mike (R)** Central Nevada Senatorial District (Churchill, Esmeralda, and Mineral Counties, and portions of Clark, Douglas, Lyon, and Nye Counties)	770 Wildes Road Fallon, NV 89406-7843 mmcginness@sen.state.nv.us	(775) 423-5889 (H)
Parks, David R. (D)** Clark, No. 7	P.O. Box 71887 Las Vegas, NV 89170-1887 or 1700 Gabriel Drive Las Vegas, NV 89119-6286 dparks@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 736-6929 (H)
Rhoads, Dean A. (R)** Rural Nevada Senatorial District (Elko, Eureka, Humboldt, Lander, Lincoln, Pershing, and White Pine Counties, and portions of Nye County)	Box 8 Tuscarora, NV 89834-0008 drhoads@sen.state.nv.us	(775) 756-6582 (H) (775) 756-5544 (F)
Roberson, Michael (R) Clark, No. 5	P.O. Box 97251 Las Vegas, NV 89193-7251 mroberson@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 612-6929 (H)
Schneider, Michael (Mike) A. (D)** Clark, No. 11	6381 Sandpiper Way Las Vegas, NV 89103-2110 mschneider@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 876-5121 (H) (702) 610-5240 (C)
Settelmeyer, James A. (R) Capital Senatorial District (Portions of Douglas, Lyon, and Storey Counties, and portions of Carson City)	2388 Highway 395 Minden, NV 89423-8923 jsettelmeyer@sen.state.nv.us	(775) 265-7739 (H) (775) 450-6114 (C)
Wiener, Valerie (D)** Clark, No. 3	3540 West Sahara Avenue, No. 352 Las Vegas, NV 89102-5816 vwiener@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 871-6536 (O) (702) 221-9239 (F)

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#### **ASSEMBLY**

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Name, Party, and District*	Mailing and E-Mail Addresses	Telephone and/or Fax
Aizley, Paul (D) Clark, No. 41	237 East Eldorado Lane Las Vegas, NV 89123-1159 paizley@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 361-8262 (H) (702) 361-7472 (F)
Anderson, Elliot T. (D) Clark, No. 15	3135 South Mojave Road, Unit 227 Las Vegas, NV 89121-8315 eanderson@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 733-4073 (H)
Atkinson, Kelvin D. (D) Clark, No. 17	5631 Indian Springs Street North Las Vegas, NV 89031-5078 katkinson@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 457-9995 (H/F)
<b>Benitez-Thompson, Teresa</b> (D) Washoe, No. 27	1201 Joshua Drive Reno, NV 89509-2217 tbenitezthompson@asm.state.nv.us	(775) 247-7665 (C)
<b>Bobzien, David P.</b> (D) Washoe, No. 24	1605 Wesley Drive Reno, NV 89503-2332 dbobzien@asm.state.nv.us	(775) 393-9709 (H)
<b>Brooks, Steven J.</b> (D) Clark, No. 19	6007 Turtle River Avenue Las Vegas, NV 89156-4791 sbrooks@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 987-1820 (H/F)
<b>Bustamante Adams, Irene</b> (D) Clark, No. 42	3800 Reflection Way Las Vegas, NV 89147-4442 ibustamanteadams@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 542-3900 (H)
Carlton, Maggie (D) Clark, No. 14	5540 East Cartwright Avenue Las Vegas, NV 89110-3802 mcarlton@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 452-3619 (W)
Carrillo, Richard (D) Clark, No. 18	4819 Diza Court Las Vegas, NV 89122-7574 rcarrillo@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 273-8786 (H)
Conklin, Marcus L. (D) Clark, No. 37	2251 North Rampart Boulevard, No. 305 Las Vegas, NV 89128-7640 mconklin@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 363-3885 (O)
<b>Daly, Richard (Skip)</b> (D) Washoe, No. 31	2180 Fourth Street Sparks, NV 89431-2201 rdaly@asm.state.nv.us	(775) 359-0731 (H) (775) 722-6534 (C)
<b>Diaz, Olivia</b> (D) Clark, No. 11	P.O. Box 365072 North Las Vegas, NV 89036-9072 odiaz@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 501-8994 (H)
<b>Dondero Loop, Marilyn</b> (D) Clark, No. 5	3724 Emerald Bay Circle Las Vegas, NV 89147-6816 mdonderoloop@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 556-0224 (C) (702) 240-7995 (F)

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Ellison, John C. (R) District No. 33 (Elko County and portions of Humboldt County)	P.O. Box 683 Elko, NV 89803-0683 jellison@asm.state.nv.us	(775) 738-6284 (H/O) (775) 934-6611 (C)
Flores, Lucy (D) Clark, No. 28	420 North Nellis Boulevard, Suite A3-87 Las Vegas, NV 89110-5365 lflores@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 437-0587 (W)
Frierson, Jason M. (D) Clark, No. 8	P.O. Box 31623 Las Vegas, NV 89173-1623 jfrierson@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 280-2981 (C)
Goedhart, Edwin (Ed) A. (R) District No. 36 (Esmeralda, Lincoln, Mineral, and Nye Counties, and portions of Churchill County)	P.O. Box 70 Amargosa Valley, NV 89020-0070 egoedhart@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 682-3339 (C)
Goicoechea, Peter (Pete) J. (R) District No. 35 (Eureka, Pershing, and White Pine Counties, and portions of Churchill, Humboldt, Lander, Lyon, and Washoe Counties)	P.O. Box 97 Eureka, NV 89316-0097 pgoicoechea@asm.state.nv.us	(775) 237-5300 (H) (775) 778-1620 (C) 775) 237-7383 (Ranch) (775) 237-5102 (F)
Grady, Tom (R) District No. 38 (Storey County, most of Lyon County, and portions of Carson City and Churchill County)	43 Fairway Drive Yerington, NV 89447-2170 tgrady@asm.state.nv.us	(775) 463-2612 (H) (775) 771-5199 (C)
Hambrick, John (R) Clark, No. 2	1930 Village Center Circle, Suite 3-419 Las Vegas, NV 89134-6245 jhambrick@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 242-8580 (H) (702) 499-6169 (C) (702) 242-3406 (F)
Hammond, Scott (R) Clark, No. 13	8408 Gracious Pine Avenue Las Vegas, NV 89143-4608 shammond@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 523-9055 (H)
Hansen, Ira (R) District No. 32 (Portions of Humboldt, Lander, and Washoe Counties)	68 Amigo Court Sparks, NV 89441-6213 ihansen@asm.state.nv.us	(775) 221-2502 (C) (775) 322-8889 (F)
Hardy, Cresent (R) Clark, No. 20	P.O. Box 601 Mesquite, NV 89024-0601 chardy@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 378-8310 (C)
Hickey, Pat (R) Washoe, No. 25	1180 Forest Street Reno, NV 89509-2707 phickey@asm.state.nv.us	(775) 762-8006 (C) (775) 329-7802 (F)

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Name, Party, and District*	Mailing and E-Mail Addresses	Telephone and/or Fax
<b>Hogan, Joseph (Joe) M.</b> (D) Clark, No. 10	2208 Plaza De La Candela Las Vegas, NV 89102-4043 jhogan@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 365-0505 (H)
Horne, William C. (D) Clark, No. 34	2251 North Rampart Boulevard, No. 35 Las Vegas, NV 89128-7640 whorne@asm.state.nv.us	7 (702) 457-6963 (H)
Kirkpatrick, Marilyn (D) Clark, No. 1	4747 Showdown Drive North Las Vegas, NV 89031-2133 mkirkpatrick@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 655-0332 (H) (702) 767-1315 (C)
Kirner, Randy (R) Washoe, No. 26	P.O. Box 17388 Reno, NV 89511-7388 rkirner@asm.state.nv.us	(775) 852-3857 (H)
Kite, Kelly (R) District No. 39 (Douglas County and portions of Carson City and Washoe County)	P.O. Box 2251 Minden, NV 89423-2251 kkite@asm.state.nv.us	(775) 450-6962 (C)
Livermore, Peter (R) District No. 40 (Portions of Carson City and Washoe County)	4 Raglan Circle Carson City, NV 89701-6507 plivermore@asm.state.nv.us	(775) 882-5056 (H) (775) 530-1890 (C) (775) 883-7396 (F)
Mastroluca, April (D) Clark, No. 29	265 Copper Glow Court Henderson, NV 89074-8744 amastroluca@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 286-8568 (C)
McArthur, Richard (R) Clark, No. 4	4640 Panoramic Court Las Vegas, NV 89129-1617 rmcarthur@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 396-1065 (H)
Munford, Harvey J. (D) Clark, No. 6	809 Sunny Place Las Vegas, NV 89106-3637 hmunford@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 646-4265 (H) (702) 375-0601 (C)
Neal, Dina (D) Clark, No. 7	3217 Brautigan Court North Las Vegas, NV 89032-6030 dneal@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 738-5870 (H) (702) 399-2114 (F)
Oceguera, John (D) Clark, No. 16	7655 Chaumont Street Las Vegas, NV 89123-1491 joceguera@asm.state.nv.us	584-8595 (Capital Office) (702) 452-4800 (H)
Ohrenschall, James (D) Clark, No. 12	P.O. Box 97741 Las Vegas, NV 89193-7741 johrenschall@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 432-6999 (H) (702) 523-4766 (C)
Pierce, Peggy (D) Clark, No. 3	5304 Gipsy Avenue Las Vegas, NV 89107-3847 ppierce@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 631-8036 (H)

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Sherwood, Mark (R) Clark, No. 21	2397 Brockton Way Henderson, NV 89074-5462 msherwood@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 624-6600 (C) (702) 933-5801 (F)
Smith, Debbie (D) Washoe, No. 30	3270 Wilma Drive Sparks, NV 89431-1173 dsmith@asm.state.nv.us	(775) 233-2905 (C) (775) 331-9064 (F)
Stewart, Lynn D. (R) Clark, No. 22	2720 Cool Lilac Avenue Henderson, NV 89052-3836 lstewart@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 370-2185 (C)
Woodbury, Melissa (R) Clark, No. 23	9500 West Flamingo Road, Suite 203 Las Vegas, NV 89147-5721 mwoodbury@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 762-3110 (H) (702) 240-2332 (F)

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#### MEMBERS OF THE NEVADA LEGISLATURE BY DISTRICT 2011 SESSION

#### **SENATE**

<u>District</u> *	Name and Party
Capital Senatorial District	Settelmever, James A. (R)
Central Nevada Senatorial District	3 /
Clark, No. 1	, , ,
Clark, No. 2	Denis, Moises (Mo) (D)
Clark, No. 3	Wiener, Valerie (D)**
Clark, No. 4	Horsford, Steven A. (D)**
Clark, No. 5	Breeden, Shirley A. (D)**
Clark, No. 5	Roberson, Michael (R)
Clark, No. 6	1 0,
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Clark, No. 8	
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Clark, No. 11	
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Rural Nevada Senatorial District	, , ,
Washoe, No. 1	, , ,
Washoe, No. 2	2 2 2
Washoe, No. 3	, 6 ,
Washoe, No. 4	Kieckhefer, Ben (R)

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#### **ASSEMBLY**

<u>District</u> *	Name and Party
No. 1, Clark	Kirkpatrick, Marilyn (D)
No. 2, Clark	
No. 3, Clark	
No. 4, Clark	
No. 5, Clark	Dondero Loop, Marilyn (D)
No. 6, Clark	
No. 7, Clark	
No. 8, Clark	
No. 9, Clark	
No. 10, Clark	Hogan, Joseph (Joe) M. (D)
No. 11, Clark	Diaz, Olivia (D)
No. 12, Clark	Ohrenschall, James (D)
No. 13, Clark	Hammond, Scott (R)
No. 14, Clark	Carlton, Maggie (D)
No. 15, Clark	Anderson, Elliot T. (D)
No. 16, Clark	Oceguera, John (D)
No. 17, Clark	Atkinson, Kelvin D. (D)
No. 18, Clark	Carrillo, Richard (D)
No. 19, Clark	Brooks, Steven J. (D)
No. 20, Clark	Hardy, Cresent (R)
No. 21, Clark	Sherwood, Mark (R)
No. 22, Clark	Stewart, Lynn D. (R)
No. 23, Clark	Woodbury, Melissa (R)
No. 24, Washoe	Bobzien, David P. (D)
No. 25, Washoe	Hickey, Pat (R)
No. 26, Washoe	
No. 27, Washoe	Benitez-Thompson, Teresa (D)
No. 28, Clark	Flores, Lucy (D)
No. 29, Clark	Mastroluca, April (D)
No. 30, Washoe	Smith, Debbie (D)
No. 31, Washoe	
No. 32, Portions of Humboldt, Lander, and Washoe Counties	
No. 33, Elko County and portions of Humboldt County	Ellison, John C. (R)
No. 34, Clark	Horne, William C. (D)
No. 35, Eureka, Pershing, and White Pine Counties, and portions of	
Churchill, Humboldt, Lander, Lyon, and Washoe Counties	Goicoechea, Peter (Pete) J. (R)
No. 36, Esmeralda, Lincoln, Mineral, and Nye Counties, and	
portions of Churchill County	
No. 37, Clark	Conklin, Marcus L. (D)
No. 38, Storey County, most of Lyon County, and portions of	
Carson City and Churchill County	Grady, Tom (R)
No. 39, Douglas County and portions of Carson City and	
Washoe County	
No. 40, Portions of Carson City and Washoe County	, , ,
No. 41, Clark	
No. 42, Clark	Bustamante Adams, Irene (D)

<sup>\*</sup>For maps of legislative districts, see Appendix G of this manual.

## INTERIM COMMITTEES AND SUBCOMMITTEES 2009–2010

(The Chair is named first on each committee or subcommittee; the Vice Chair, if one was selected, follows the Chair; and the members are listed alphabetically unless otherwise stated.)

#### **INTERIM COMMITTEES**

#### **Interim Finance Committee (NRS 218E.400)**

Composition of the Interim Finance Committee (IFC) following the November 2, 2010, General Election: Horsford, Smith, Aizley, Atkinson, Bobzien, Carlton, Cegavske, Conklin, Denis, Goicoechea, Grady, Hambrick, C. Hardy, Hickey, Hogan, Kieckhefer, Kirner, Leslie, Mastroluca, Oceguera, Parks, Rhoads. Composition of the IFC until the November 2, 2010, General Election: Horsford (Co-Chair), Mathews (Co-Chair), Arberry (Vice Chair) (resigned), Leslie (Vice Chair), Atkinson, Buckley, Coffin, Conklin, Denis, Gansert, Goicoechea, Grady, J. Hardy, W. Hardy (resigned), Hogan, Koivisto, McClain, McGinness, Oceguera, Raggio, Rhoads, Smith, Townsend (resigned), Woodhouse. (Note: Senator W. Hardy resigned from office on June 16, 2009, and was replaced on the IFC by Senator Townsend resigned from office on April 28, 2010, and was replaced on the IFC by Senator McGinness. Assemblyman Arberry resigned from office on August 31, 2010, and was replaced on the IFC by Assemblyman Atkinson; Assemblywoman Leslie became Vice Chair of the IFC upon the resignation of Assemblyman Arberry.)

### Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee for Federal Stimulus Oversight (A.C.R. 34, File No. 97, Statutes of Nevada 2009)

Smith, Atkinson, Breeden, Conklin, Goicoechea, J. Hardy, Horsford, Leslie, Mathews, Raggio, Schneider, Townsend (resigned). (Note: Senator Townsend resigned from office on April 28, 2010.)

## Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee to Conduct a Review of Nevada's Revenue Structure (S.C.R. 37, File No. 102, *Statutes of Nevada 2009*)

Horsford, Conklin, Anderson, Goicoechea, Kirkpatrick, Mathews, McClain, Oceguera, Parks, Raggio, Rhoads, Schneider, Settelmeyer, Stewart, Townsend (resigned), Wiener. (Note: Senator Townsend resigned from office on April 28, 2010.)

## Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee to Conduct a Review of Nevada's Revenue Structure Working Group to Review Nominations for the Nevada Vision Stakeholder Group

Conklin, Goicoechea, Mathews, McClain, Oceguera, Rhoads, Townsend (resigned), Wiener. (Note: Senator Townsend resigned from office on April 28, 2010.)

## Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee to Conduct a Review of Nevada's Revenue Structure Working Group to Review Responses to the Request for Proposal

Raggio, Anderson, Horsford, Kirkpatrick, Parks, Schneider, Settelmeyer, Stewart.

Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee to Review Public Works Board Matters (NRS 218E.405) Coffin, Grady, Hogan, Mathews, Raggio, Smith.

#### Nevada Vision Stakeholder Group (S.C.R. 37, File No. 102, Statutes of Nevada 2009)

Robert E. Lang, Ph.D., Brookings Mountain West and Department of Sociology, University of Nevada, Las Vegas (nonvoting); Peter C. Bernhard, Cleveland Clinic Nevada; Doug Busselman, Nevada Farm Bureau Federation; René Cantú, Jr., Ph.D., Latin Chamber of Commerce Foundation; Douglas D. Dirks, Employers Holdings, Inc.; Paul Dugan, Washoe County School District, retired; Alan Feldman, MGM Resorts International; Marsha Irvin, Andre Agassi College Preparatory Academy; Boyd Martin, Boyd Martin Construction and Associated General Contractors, Las Vegas Chapter; Thomas A. Perrigo, AICP, City of Las Vegas; Robert Lee Potter, American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees; Terry J. Reynolds, The Reynolds Company; Susan Rhodes, L.A.S.W., National Association of Social Workers, Nevada Chapter; Brian Rippet, Nevada State Education Association; Katy Simon, Washoe County; Keith Smith, Boyd Gaming Corporation; Donald D. Snyder, The Smith Center for the

Performing Arts; Denise Tanata Ashby, Nevada Institute for Children's Research and Policy, University of Nevada, Las Vegas; Cedric D. Williams, North Las Vegas Fire Department; Sylvia Young, FACHE, Sunrise Hospital and Medical Center. Alternate Members: Janelle Kraft Pearce, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, retired; John Packham, Ph.D., University of Nevada School of Medicine; Devin Reiss, Nevada Association of Realtors; Jacob L. Snow, Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada.

#### Legislative Commission (NRS 218E.150)

Composition of the Legislative Commission following the November 2, 2010, General Election: Oceguera, Conklin, Carlton, Carpenter, Cegavske, Horsford, Kirkpatrick, Nolan, Settelmeyer, Smith, Washington, Woodhouse. Composition of the Legislative Commission until the November 2, 2010, General Election: Oceguera, Conklin, Carlton, Carpenter, Cegavske, W. Hardy (resigned), Horsford, Kirkpatrick, Nolan, Settelmeyer, Smith, Townsend (resigned), Washington, Woodhouse. (Note: Senator W. Hardy resigned from office on June 16, 2009, and was replaced on the Legislative Commission by Senator Townsend resigned from office on April 28, 2010, and was replaced on the Legislative Commission by Senator Nolan.)

Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Review the U.S. Department of Labor's Report on the Nevada Occupational Safety and Health Program (NRS 218E.200)
Carlton, Conklin, Washington.

#### Legislative Commission's Budget Subcommittee (NRS 218E.255)

Horsford (Chair), Smith (Chair), Leslie (Vice Chair), Conklin (Vice Chair), Aizley, Atkinson, Bobzien, Carlton, Cegavske, Denis, Goicoechea, Grady, Hambrick, C. Hardy, Hickey, Hogan, Kieckhefer, Kirner, Mastroluca, Oceguera, Parks, Rhoads.

#### STATUTORY COMMITTEES

#### Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice (NRS 176.0123)

Horne, Carpenter, Nolan, Parks. Justice James W. Hardesty, Nevada Supreme Court (Vice Chair); Connie Bisbee, Chair, State Board of Parole Commissioners; Catherine Cortez Masto, Attorney General; Bernard W. Curtis, Chief, Division of Parole and Probation, Department of Public Safety; Larry Digesti, Representative, State Bar of Nevada; Gayle W. Farley, Victims' Rights Advocate; Thomas Finn, Chief of Police, Boulder City Police Department; Raymond Flynn, Assistant Sheriff, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department; Judge Douglas W. Herndon, Eighth Judicial District Court; Phil Kohn, Clark County Public Defender; David Roger, Clark County District Attorney; Richard Siegel, President, ACLU of Nevada, Inmate Advocate; Howard Skolnik, Director, Department of Corrections. Alternate Member: McArthur.

#### Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice Steering Committee

Horne. Bernard W. Curtis, Chief, Division of Parole and Probation, Department of Public Safety; Gayle W. Farley, Victims' Rights Advocate; Justice James W. Hardesty, Nevada Supreme Court; David Roger, Clark County District Attorney; Richard Siegel, President, ACLU of Nevada, Inmate Advocate.

Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice's Subcommittee on Juvenile Justice Appointments to be announced.

## Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice's Subcommittee on the Reclassification of Crimes

Horne, Nolan. Phil Kohn, Clark County Public Defender (Chair); Connie Bisbee, Chair, State Board of Parole Commissioners; Bernard W. Curtis, Chief, Division of Parole and Probation, Department of Public Safety; Larry Digesti, Representative, State Bar of Nevada; Gayle W. Farley, Victims' Rights Advocate; Judge Douglas W. Herndon, Eighth Judicial District Court; Brett Kandt, Executive Director, Advisory Council for Prosecuting Attorneys; David Roger, Clark County District Attorney; Howard Skolnik, Director, Department of Corrections.

Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice's Subcommittee on Victims of Crime Catherine Cortez Masto, Attorney General (Chair).

#### Commission on Special License Plates (NRS 482.367004)

Carlton, Atkinson, Breeden, Christensen, Nolan. Nonvoting Members: Michael Fischer, Director, Department of Cultural Affairs; Jerry Hafen, Director, Department of Public Safety; Edgar Roberts, Director, Department of Motor Vehicles.

#### Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste (NRS 459.0085)

Mortenson, Parks, Claborn, Gustavson, Hogan, Lee, McGinness, Rhoads.

#### Committee on Industrial Programs (NRS 209.4817)

Parks, Hambrick, Denis, Rhoads. Bruce Aguilera, Las Vegas; Michael Mackenzie, Las Vegas; Mike Magnani, Las Vegas; Allen J. Puliz, Las Vegas; Howard Skolnik, Director, Department of Corrections; Greg Smith, Administrator, Purchasing Division, Department of Administration.

#### Committee to Consult with the Director (NRS 218E.225)

Oceguera, Conklin, Gansert (replaced), Goicoechea, Horsford, Lee, Raggio, Segerblom, Smith, Townsend (resigned), Woodhouse. (Note: Senator Townsend resigned from office on April 28, 2010. On August 13, 2010, the Legislative Commission appointed Assemblyman Goicoechea to this Committee in place of Assemblywoman Gansert.)

#### Interim Retirement and Benefits Committee (NRS 218E.420)

Arberry (resigned), Mathews, Anderson, Coffin, Goicoechea, Raggio. (Note: Assemblyman Arberry resigned from office on August 31, 2010.)

#### Legislative Commission's Audit Subcommittee (NRS 218E.240)

Leslie, Rhoads, Arberry (resigned), Coffin, Grady. Alternate Members: Denis, J. Hardy, Hogan, Horsford, Washington. (Note: Assemblyman Arberry resigned from office on August 31, 2010.)

#### Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Review Regulations (NRS 233B.067)

Composition of the Subcommittee following the December 16, 2010, meeting of the Legislative Commission: Conklin, Copening, Horsford, Kirkpatrick, McGinness, Stewart. Alternate Members: Cegavske, Lee, Smith. Composition of the Subcommittee until the December 16, 2010, meeting of the Legislative Commission: Conklin, Carlton, Carpenter, Horsford, Kirkpatrick, McGinness, Washington, Woodhouse. Alternate Members: Copening, Nolan, Settelmeyer, Smith.

# Legislative Committee for the Fundamental Review of the Base Budgets of State Agencies (NRS 218E.440)

Woodhouse, Conklin, Goicoechea, Raggio, Smith, Wiener.

# Legislative Committee for the Review and Oversight of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and the Marlette Lake Water System (NRS 218E.555)

Lee, Settelmeyer, Amodei, Arberry (resigned), Parks, Pierce. (Note: Assemblyman Arberry resigned from office on August 31, 2010.)

#### Legislative Committee on Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice (NRS 218E.705)

Composition of the Committee after the December 16, 2010, meeting of the Legislative Commission: Mastroluca, Wiener, Cegavske, Copening, Frierson, Hambrick. Composition of the Committee until the December 16, 2010, meeting of the Legislative Commission: Leslie, Wiener, Cegavske, Copening, Hambrick, Mastroluca.

#### Legislative Committee on Education (NRS 218E.605)

Woodhouse, Mastroluca, Breeden, Dondero Loop, Mathews, Munford, Raggio, Stewart.

#### Legislative Committee on Health Care (NRS 439B.200)

Wiener, Pierce, Copening, J. Hardy, Spiegel, Washington.

#### Legislative Committee on Public Lands (NRS 218E.510)

Rhoads, Claborn, Aizley, Bobzien, Care, Carpenter, Lee, Parks. Tom Collins, Clark County. Alternate Members: Goicoechea, McGinness, Schneider, Spiegel.

# Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults With Special Needs (NRS 218E.750) McClain, Breeden, Nolan, Spiegel, Stewart, Woodhouse.

# Legislative Committee to Oversee the Western Regional Water Commission (S.B. 487, Chapter 531, Statutes of Nevada 2007)

Bobzien, Lee, Amodei, Anderson, Gustavson, Mathews. Alternate Member: Washington.

#### INTERIM STUDIES

Development and Promotion of Logistics and Distribution Centers and Issues Concerning Infrastructure and Transportation (A.C.R. 30, File No. 96, Statutes of Nevada 2009)

Atkinson, Breeden, Buckley, Coffin, Gansert, Nolan, Parks, Washington.

#### Employee Misclassification (S.C.R. 26, File No. 100, Statutes of Nevada 2009)

Breeden, Parnell. Fran Almaraz, representative from the construction industry who is a member of a labor union; Yindra Dixon, representative of the general public; Warren Hardy, representative of management who works for an entity in the construction industry that has not signed an agreement with a labor union.

# Governance and Oversight of the System of K-12 Public Education (A.C.R. 2, File No. 89, *Statutes of Nevada 2009*)

Parnell, Woodhouse, Aizley, Cegavske, Horsford, Stewart.

#### Group Homes (A.B. 294, Chapter 298, Statutes of Nevada 2009)

Kirkpatrick, Breeden, Cobb, Copening, Mortenson, Parks.

#### Powers Delegated to Local Governments (S.B. 264, Chapter 462, Statutes of Nevada 2009)

Lee, Kirkpatrick, Care, Goicoechea, McGinness, Segerblom.

#### Production and Use of Energy (S.C.R. 19, File No. 99, Statutes of Nevada 2009)

Schneider, Kirkpatrick, Conklin, Gansert, Lee, Townsend (resigned). (Note: Senator Townsend resigned from office on April 28, 2010).

#### Requirements for Reapportionment and Redistricting (A.C.R. 19, File No. 76, Statutes of Nevada 2009)

Segerblom, Horsford, Gansert (replaced), Goicoechea, Lee, McGinness, Oceguera, Raggio, Smith, Woodhouse. (Note: On August 13, 2010, the Legislative Commission appointed Assemblyman Goicoechea to this Committee in place of Assemblywoman Gansert.)

#### NONLEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES

(Committee Chair not included unless otherwise noted.)

#### Advisory Board on Maternal and Child Health (NRS 442.133)

Composition of Advisory Board following the December 16, 2010, meeting of the Legislative Commission: Copening, Pierce. Additional nonlegislative members. Composition of the Advisory Board until the December 16, 2010, meeting of the Legislative Commission: Carlton, Pierce. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Advisory Committee for a Veterans' Cemetery in Northern Nevada (NRS 417.230)

Grady, McGinness. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Advisory Committee for a Veterans' Cemetery in Southern Nevada (NRS 417.230)

Breeden, Manendo. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Advisory Committee for the Prevention and Treatment of Stroke and Heart Disease (NRS 439.492)

Steve Stanko, Deric Voelker. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Advisory Committee on Nevada Criminal Justice Information Sharing (NRS 179A.079)

Anderson, Copening. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Advisory Committee to Study Laws Concerning Sex Offender Registration (NRS 179D.132)

Parks, Segerblom. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Advisory Council on Mortgage Investments and Mortgage Lending (NRS 645B.860)

Clay Duncan, Las Vegas; Janis Grady, Las Vegas; Michele Johnson, Las Vegas; Charles Mohler, Las Vegas; Cindy Stephens, Reno. (Note: On December 16, 2010, Janis Grady and Charles Mohler were appointed by the Legislative Commission to replace Stephen Brockman and David Goldwater.)

#### Advisory Council on Parental Involvement (NRS 385.610)

Mastroluca, Woodhouse. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Advisory Council on the State Program for Fitness and Wellness (NRS 439.518)

Mastroluca, Wiener. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Commission on Educational Technology (NRS 388.790)

Denis, Schneider. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Commission on Ethics (NRS 281A.200)

George M. Keele, Minden; Paul H. Lamboley, Reno; John W. Marvel, Carson City; James M. Shaw, Reno (Legislative Commission appointees). Erik Beyer, Reno (Vice Chair); Gregory J. Gale, CPA, Henderson; Magdalena M. Groover, Las Vegas; John T. Moran III, Esq., Las Vegas (Governor appointees).

#### Commission on Nuclear Projects (NRS 459.0091)

Richard H. Bryan, former U.S. Senator, Las Vegas; Paul Workman, Las Vegas. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Council to Establish Academic Standards for Public Schools (NRS 389.510)

Bobzien, Cegavske. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Education Commission of the States (NRS 399.015, Article III)

Aizley, Cegavske, Dondero Loop, Woodhouse. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Gaming Policy Committee (NRS 463.021)

Composition of the Committee following the Legislative Commission meeting on December 16, 2010: Horne, Wiener. Additional nonlegislative members. Composition of the Committee until the Legislative Commission meeting on December 16, 2010: Anderson, Care. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Governing Body of a University School for Profoundly Gifted Pupils (NRS 392A.080)

Dr. Eugene Paslov, former Superintendent of Public Instruction; Annette Whittemore, Cofounder, National Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Institute in Nevada. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Governor's Workforce Investment Board (Public Law 105-220)

Carlton, Christensen, Copening, Ohrenschall. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Information Technology Advisory Board (NRS 242.122)

Denis, Rhoads. Additional nonlegislative members.

# Interim Technical Advisory Committee for Intergovernmental Relations (Section 9 of S.B. 264, Chapter 462, *Statutes of Nevada 2009*)

David Humke, Washoe County Commissioner; Debra March, Councilwoman, City of Henderson; Nancy Boland, Esmeralda County Commissioner; Dino DiCianno, Executive Director, Department of Taxation; Chris Giunchigliani, Clark County Commissioner; Susan Holecheck, Mayor, City of Mesquite; Geno Martini, Mayor, City of Sparks; Scott Rawlins, Deputy Director/Chief Engineer, Department of Transportation; Michael J. Willden, Director, Department of Health and Human Services.

#### National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws (NRS 219.020)

Composition of the Conference following the Legislative Commission meeting on December 16, 2010: Horne, Ohrenschall, Roberson, Segerblom. Additional nonlegislative members. Composition of the Conference until the Legislative Commission meeting on December 16, 2010: Amodei, Care, Horne, Segerblom. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Nevada Academy of Health (NRS 439B.250)

Bobbette Bond, Speaker of the Assembly appointment; Chris Bosse, Assembly Minority Leader appointment; Dr John Ellerton, Speaker of the Assembly appointment; Dr. Mary Guinan, Senate Majority Leader appointment; Debra Toney, Senate Majority Leader appointment; Mike Uboldi, Senate Minority Leader appointment. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Nevada Statewide AIDS Advisory Task Force

Breeden, Ohrenschall. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Nevada Commission for the Reconstruction of the V & T Railway (Chapter 566, Statutes of Nevada 1993)

Bob Hadfield, Speaker of the Assembly appointment; John Tyson, Senate Majority Leader appointment. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Nevada Commission on Aging (NRS 427A.032)

Copening, Dondero Loop. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Nevada Commission on Homeland Security (NRS 239C.120)

Nolan, Oceguera. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Nevada Commission on Minority Affairs (NRS 232.852)

Rico White, Las Vegas (Chair); Paul Quiroz, Las Vegas (Vice Chair); Hui-Lim-Ang, Las Vegas; Lonnie L Feemster, Sparks; Dr. Danny A. Gonzales, Elko; Gabriela Jurica, Las Vegas; Napoleon A. McCallum, Henderson; Victoria Napoles-Laza, Las Vegas; Phil Swain, Moapa.

#### Nevada Commission on Sports (NRS 233H.020)

Kihuen, Wiener (nonvoting members). Additional nonlegislative members.

Nevada Early Intervention Interagency Coordinating Council (Public Law 99-457, Part C of IDEA) Horsford. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum (NRS 427A.320 through 427A.400)

Alice Adams, Clark Senate District 2; Barbara Altman, Clark Senate District 9; Clo Banks, Clark Senate District 3; Joann M. Bongiorno, Clark Senate District 5; Reba June Burton, Washoe Senate District 2; Evelyn A. Cannestra, M.S.W., Clark Senate District 8; Ruth H. Hart, Washoe Senate District 3; Verlia Davis Hoggard, Clark Senate District 4; Ray B. Jones, Rural Nevada Senatorial District; Jane Maxfield, Washoe Senate District 4; Mary D. Roberts, Clark Senate District 1; Margaret Spooner, Central Nevada Senatorial District; Rick A. Stanfill, Clark Senate District 11; Ronald E. Stoller, Clark Senate District 6; Harriet Trudell, Clark Senate District 7. (Vacant: Capital Senatorial District, Clark Senate District 5, Clark Senate District 7, Clark Senate District 10, Clark Senate District 12, and Washoe Senate District 1) (Note: On December 16, 2010, Joanne M. Bongiorno, Ray B. Jones, Mary D. Roberts, and Margaret Spooner were reappointed by the Legislative Commission and Barbara Altman was appointed to replace Richard C. Doyle.) Ex Officio Members, National Silver Haired Congress: Lucy Peres, Silver Senator; Herbert W. Perry, CPA/EA, Silver Senator; Ruth H. Hart, Silver Representative, District 1; (Vacant), Silver Representative, District 2; Herbert E. Randall, Ed.D., Silver Representative, District 2; Herbert E. Randall, Ed.D., Silver Representative, District 3.

#### Nevada State Council for Interstate Adult Offender Supervision (NRS 213.215)

Care, Horne. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Nevada State Council for Interstate Juvenile Supervision (NRS 62I.015)

Horne, Parks. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Nevada State Rehabilitation Council (Public Law 105-277)

Koivisto. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Nevada Veterans' Services Commission (NRS 417.150)

Care, McClain. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### P-16 Advisory Council (NRS 400.030)

Cegavske, Mastroluca. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Southern Nevada Enterprise Community Board (S.B. 352, Chapter 407, Statutes of Nevada 2007)

Horsford, Munford. Additional nonlegislative members.

# State Council for the Coordination of the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children (NRS 392C.020)

Manendo. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### State of Nevada Economic Forum (NRS 353.226)

John Restrepo, Governor appointment (Chair); Michael R. Alastuey, Speaker of the Assembly appointment; Matthew Maddox, Governor appointment; Andrew Martin, Senate Majority Leader appointment; Linda Rosenthal, Governor appointment.

#### State Public Works Board (NRS 341.020)

Tim Kretzschmar, Reno; Robert Thorniley, Las Vegas. Additional nonlegislative members.

#### Technological Crime Advisory Board (NRS 205A.040)

Mortenson, Wiener. Additional nonlegislative members.

## Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education Legislative Advisory Committee Horsford, Parnell.

#### SENATE STANDING COMMITTEES AND LEADERSHIP

#### Seventy-Sixth Session, 2011

The Chair is named first, the Vice Chair is named second, followed by majority party members in alphabetical order and then minority party members in alphabetical order.

#### COMMERCE, LABOR, AND ENERGY-

Schneider, Breeden, Copening, Parks, Halseth, Roberson, Settelmeyer

#### EDUCATION-

Denis, Kihuen, Leslie, Wiener, Brower, Cegavske, Gustavson

#### FINANCE-

Horsford, Leslie, Denis, Parks, Cegavske, Kieckhefer, Rhoads

#### GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS-

Lee, Manendo, Schneider, J. Hardy, Settelmeyer

#### HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES-

Copening, Wiener, Kihuen, Leslie, Brower, J. Hardy, Kieckhefer

#### JUDICIARY-

Wiener, Copening, Breeden, Kihuen, Gustavson, McGinness, Roberson

#### LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS—

Parks, Denis, Horsford, Cegavske, Settelmeyer

#### NATURAL RESOURCES-

Manendo, Parks, Lee, Rhoads, Roberson

#### REVENUE-

Leslie, Horsford, Denis, Schneider, Halseth, J. Hardy, McGinness

#### TRANSPORTATION-

Breeden, Schneider, Lee, Manendo, Halseth, McGinness, Rhoads

#### SELECT COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC GROWTH AND EMPLOYMENT—

Kihuen, Lee, Manendo, Wiener, Brower, Gustavson, Kieckhefer

#### PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE—

Michael (Mike) A. Schneider

#### MAJORITY FLOOR LEADER—

Steven A. Horsford

#### ASSISTANT MAJORITY FLOOR LEADER—

Valerie Wiener

#### MAJORITY WHIP-

John J. Lee

#### ASSISTANT MAJORITY WHIPS—

Moises (Mo) Denis

Sheila Leslie

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#### SENATE STANDING COMMITTEES AND LEADERSHIP (continued)

MINORITY FLOOR LEADER— Mike McGinness

ASSISTANT MINORITY FLOOR LEADER—Barbara K. Cegavske

MINORITY WHIP— James A. Settelmeyer

#### ASSEMBLY STANDING COMMITTEES AND LEADERSHIP

#### Seventy-Sixth Session, 2011

The Chair is named first, the Vice Chair is named second, followed by majority party members in alphabetical order and then minority party members in alphabetical order.

#### COMMERCE AND LABOR-

Atkinson, Conklin, Bustamante Adams, Carlton, Daly, Horne, Kirkpatrick, Oceguera, Ohrenschall, Segerblom, Ellison, Goedhart, Grady, C. Hardy, Hickey, Kite

#### EDUCATION—

Bobzien, Dondero Loop, Aizley, Anderson, Diaz, Flores, Mastroluca, Munford, Neal, Hansen, Kirner, McArthur, Stewart, Woodbury

#### GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS-

Kirkpatrick, Bustamante Adams, Anderson, Benitez-Thompson, Flores, Munford, Neal, Pierce, Ellison, Goedhart, Livermore, Stewart, Woodbury

#### HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES-

Mastroluca, Pierce, Anderson, Benitez-Thompson, Brooks, Carrillo, Flores, Frierson, Smith, Goicoechea, Hambrick, Hammond, Livermore, Sherwood

#### JUDICIARY—

Horne, Ohrenschall, Brooks, Carrillo, Daly, Diaz, Dondero Loop, Frierson, Segerblom, Hammond, Hansen, Kite, McArthur, Sherwood

#### LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS—

Segerblom, Flores, Conklin, Daly, Horne, Kirkpatrick, Oceguera, Ohrenschall, Smith, Goicoechea, Grady, C. Hardy, Hickey, McArthur, Stewart

#### NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND MINING-

Carlton, Hogan, Aizley, Anderson, Bobzien, Bustamante Adams, Munford, Pierce, Ellison, Goedhart, Hansen, Kite, Livermore

#### TAXATION—

Kirkpatrick, Munford, Anderson, Benitez-Thompson, Bustamante Adams, Flores, Neal, Pierce, Ellison, Goedhart, Livermore, Stewart, Woodbury

#### TRANSPORTATION-

Dondero Loop, Frierson, Atkinson, Benitez-Thompson, Brooks, Carrillo, Diaz, Hogan, Neal, Hambrick, Hammond, Kirner, Sherwood, Woodbury

#### WAYS AND MEANS—

Smith, Conklin, Aizley, Atkinson, Bobzien, Carlton, Hogan, Mastroluca, Oceguera, Goicoechea, Grady, Hambrick, C. Hardy, Hickey, Kirner

#### ASSEMBLY STANDING COMMITTEES AND LEADERSHIP (continued)

#### SPEAKER-

John Oceguera

#### SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE—

Debbie Smith

#### MAJORITY FLOOR LEADER—

Marcus L. Conklin

#### ASSISTANT MAJORITY FLOOR LEADER—

Marilyn Kirkpatrick

#### MAJORITY WHIP—

William C. Horne

#### SENIOR CHIEF DEPUTY WHIP—

Kelvin D. Atkinson

#### CHIEF DEPUTY WHIPS-

Peggy Pierce

David P. Bobzien

#### MINORITY FLOOR LEADER—

Peter (Pete) J. Goicoechea

#### ASSISTANT MINORITY FLOOR LEADER—

Lynn D. Stewart

#### MINORITY WHIPS-

Tom Grady

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# CHAPTER II LEGISLATIVE STRUCTURE, FINANCIAL OPERATION, AND RESPONSIBILITIES

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This chapter provides an introduction to the Nevada Legislature. It is intended to serve as a handy reference not only for legislators, but also for citizens who wish to participate in the legislative process.

The Legislature is Nevada's foremost political institution. Not only does it enact *laws*, it also creates the machinery for carrying out those enactments. In establishing departments, boards, commissions, and bureaus, the Legislature defines the scope of their powers and the extent of their responsibilities. It also regulates the activities of these State agencies by granting or denying them the authority to hire employees and expend public funds. In addition, the Legislature sets down the fundamental rules of government in Nevada in the form of administrative procedures, civil service rules, and election laws.

#### LEGISLATIVE TERMINOLOGY

The legislative process has acquired a vocabulary of its own over the years. Often these words have a precise and definite meaning that varies considerably from the same word when used in common conversation. This legislative terminology may also vary in meaning from one state legislature to another.

Appendix F provides a list of frequently used terms, primarily from *Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure*. That manual also contains a number of terms not commonly used in Nevada. The list defines the words most commonly used in the Nevada Legislature as well as those that will assist in a clear understanding of the various subjects and procedures described in this publication. Where possible, the first use of these terms in the *Nevada Legislative Manual* is provided in italics.

#### THE LEGISLATIVE STRUCTURE

Nevada has a two-house (bicameral) Legislature consisting of a Senate and an Assembly. The two houses jointly are designated by the Nevada Constitution as "The Legislature of the State of Nevada." The Legislature is one of three separate and distinct branches of government at the state level, the other two being the Executive Branch (headed by the Governor) and the Judicial Branch (with Nevada's Supreme Court at the top of the structure). According to the Nevada Constitution, "... no persons charged with the exercise of powers properly belonging to one of these departments shall exercise any functions, appertaining to either of the others ..." except in certain specified instances.<sup>2</sup>

However, it is important to realize that:

The Legislature is part of a larger political system . . . No matter how specific the intent of the Legislature, its decisions will require interpretation and implementation by executive officials; no matter how unambiguous its legislative purposes, its laws may come under review in the judicial process.<sup>3</sup>

#### Size and Apportionment

Unlike some states, Nevada does not fix the number of its Senators and members of the Assembly in its constitution. Instead, the *Nevada Constitution* sets a maximum limit of 75 legislators from the combined total of the two houses.<sup>4</sup> No minimum limit is set on the size of the Legislature, but ". . . the number of Senators shall not be less than one-third nor more than one-half of that of the members of the Assembly." The actual size of the Legislature is set by *statute*.

Since 1983, the Nevada Legislature has had a 42-member Assembly and a 21-member Senate. It has not always been that way. The Legislature had the maximum 75 members in 1875, 1877, 1879, 1913, and 1915, during periods of population growth. The Legislature could, in theory, be as small as three members—two Assembly members and one Senator. However, the smallest Nevada Legislature consisted of 45 members. This situation occurred during the sessions of 1893 through 1899, a period of population decline. The *Nevada Constitution* states that Senators and members of the Assembly must be *apportioned* among the several counties of the State or among legislative districts in accordance with law. The United States Supreme Court has held that both houses of state legislatures must be apportioned on a population basis under the principle of one person, one vote. §

Membership in both houses of the Legislature is geographically apportioned throughout the State on the basis of population. Normally, the Legislature redistricts once every ten years during the session next following the federal decennial census, as required by the *Nevada Constitution*.<sup>9</sup>

#### 2001 Reapportionment and Redistricting

During the 2001 Legislative Session, Nevada legislators reapportioned State Senate and Assembly districts. Maps A through J in Appendix G describe the existing boundaries of Nevada legislative districts as developed by the 2001 Legislature. In addition, detailed maps of every district and related statistics are available on the *Legislative Counsel Bureau's* website at http://www.leg.state.nv.us/lcb/research/redistreapp.cfm and through the Bureau's Publications Unit.

The 2001 Legislature retained 42 Assembly districts, with an average population of 47,578 people (based on the 2000 U.S. Census). It also retained districts for

21 State Senators. Seventeen of these are single-member senatorial districts, which represent an average of 95,155 citizens per district. The remaining four Senators are in two-member districts in Clark County, which represent about 190,310 residents per district. The average legislative district in Nevada has increased by 66 percent in population over the past decade, reflecting Nevada's rapid growth. The State's population was about 1.2 million in 1990 and reached nearly 2 million in 2000. The actual number of residents in each district has changed since the 2001 reapportionment.

Currently, 14 Senators and 29 Assembly members represent legislative districts in Clark County, while 4 Senators and 7 Assembly members serve primarily Washoe County. Three Senators and six Assembly members represent the remainder of the State. (One Assembly district that includes Washoe County also covers portions of rural Nevada, and one Senate district covers central Nevada and a portion of Clark County.)

#### 2011 Reapportionment and Redistricting

The Bureau of the Census of the United States Department of Commerce is required to deliver redistricting data from the decennial census in 2010 to the states not later than April 1, 2011. Upon receipt of this data, the 2011 Session of the Nevada Legislature will be required to reapportion and redistrict the election districts for the members of the Legislature, the members of the United States House of Representatives from the State of Nevada, the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada, and the State Board of Education

#### **Membership Qualifications**

Members of the Assembly are elected every two years by the qualified electors in their respective districts. Senators, on the other hand, serve four-year terms, which are staggered so that, as near as possible, one-half of the number of Senators is elected every two years. A constitutional amendment approved by the voters in 1996 limits legislators to 12 years of service in one *house* (six terms for Assembly members and three terms for Senators). An opinion issued by Nevada's Supreme Court states that the term limit amendment only applies to periods of service commencing after November 27, 1996. Thus term limits first impacted members of the Legislature during the 2010 election cycle.

Members of both houses are elected on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of even-numbered years, at intervals of two or four years, depending upon the house in question. Their terms of office begin on the day following their election, <sup>12</sup> but members are not typically sworn in by oath of office until the first day of the legislative session (first Monday of the following February).

To be eligible to serve as a Senator or member of the Assembly, a person must be at least 21 years of age, a qualified elector in the respective county and district, and an actual citizen resident of Nevada for a minimum of one year next preceding the election.<sup>13</sup> However, the *Nevada Constitution* declares that "each House shall judge of the qualifications, elections and returns of its own members . . . and with the concurrence of two-thirds of all the members elected, expel a member."<sup>14</sup> Thus, theoretically, a house could seat someone who failed to meet the statutory requirements or deny a seat to someone who met all of the legal requirements for membership in the Legislature.

No person holding a federal office of profit (with the exception of postmasters earning less than \$500 per year or commissioners of deeds) or a lucrative office under any other power may serve as a legislator.<sup>15</sup> Persons are also disqualified from holding legislative office if they have been convicted of embezzlement of public funds or bribery in the procurement of election or appointment to office.<sup>16</sup> A legislator may not be appointed to any civil office of profit in the State that was created, or the salary for which was raised, during the legislator's term of office and for a period of one year after the expiration of the term.<sup>17</sup>

#### **Vacancies**

If a legislator resigns from office, the resignation must be delivered to the Governor. If a legislator dies or resigns during a regular or *special session* of the Legislature or at a time when no *biennial* election or regular election is scheduled between the time the vacancy occurs and the date of the next legislative session, the board of county commissioners from the legislator's district is required to appoint a person who resides in the district and is a member of the same political party as the former incumbent to fill the unexpired term.<sup>18</sup>

If the Senator or Assembly member was elected from a district comprising more than one county, the appointment is required to be made by the county commissioners of each county within or partly within the legislator's district. Each board of county commissioners first meets separately and determines the single candidate it will nominate to fill the vacancy. Then the boards meet jointly and the chairs, on behalf of the boards, cast a proportionate number of votes based on the population of the district in each county. The person who receives a plurality of these votes is appointed to fill the vacancy. If no candidate receives a plurality of the votes, the various boards of county commissioners each select a candidate. The appointee is then chosen by drawing lots from those candidates nominated by the separate boards.<sup>19</sup>

#### Officers and Employees

Each house of the Legislature employs such staff as is necessary to its operation. During the legislative session, this staff expands to approximately 200 committee staff, personal secretaries, and others who ensure that the session functions smoothly.

Several positions are permanent and full-time when the Legislature is not in session: the *Secretary of the Senate*, the *Chief Clerk of the Assembly*, and at least one executive assistant and typically at least two support staff for each house.

The legislative employees are under the supervision of the elected officer of each house. In the Senate, this is the Secretary; in the Assembly, the Chief Clerk. The Secretary of the Senate and the Chief Clerk of the Assembly are elected as officers by the members of the houses they serve. They, in turn, supervise the work of the legislative employees.<sup>20</sup>

The Secretary and Chief Clerk perform many varied duties. They are present at each daily session of their respective houses, and during those sessions they "read" each *bill* and *resolution*—though in greatly abbreviated form—to the members of the house. The Secretary and Chief Clerk maintain all records of the Senate and Assembly, supervise compilation of the daily *journals* and *histories* of their respective houses, and advise the presiding officer of each house on matters of parliamentary procedure and the house rules. In addition, the Secretary serves as an *ex officio* member of the Senate Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections, and the Chief Clerk is an ex officio member of the Assembly Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections.

When the Legislature is not in session, the permanent legislative officers and employees assist legislative leaders with administrative matters that arise during the *interim*, oversee the publication of the final certified journals and histories, speak with school and civic groups about the legislative process, represent the State at national conferences of legislative officers, and prepare for the next session.

#### **Interest Groups and Media**

#### **PRESS**

The news corps is an important adjunct to the Legislature. Public awareness is vital to the democratic process, and it is the function of the press to present, analyze, and interpret the news so that the public is informed and can, therefore, more effectively express itself to and through its elected representatives.

Press representatives are granted official accreditation in each chamber through adoption of a simple *motion* to accredit named individuals at the beginning of the session or at selected times during the session. Space in each chamber is provided for members of the news media to televise or otherwise cover legislative proceedings.

#### LOBBYISTS

Legislative agents or representatives, commonly known as *lobbyists*, represent various organizations, interests, and causes before the Legislature. Like the news media, they are important to the legislative process as sources of information,

channels of communication between constituents and their representatives, and major protagonists in efforts to influence legislation. They frequently point out concerns in bills, suggest *amendments*, provide valuable testimony, and in general assist the Legislature in assessing the merits of proposed legislation.

The activities of lobbyists in Nevada are controlled by the Nevada Lobbying Disclosure Act.<sup>21</sup> The law requires lobbyists to register with the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau and provide various information about themselves and the groups or individuals they represent. A lobbyist must file a report each month during a legislative session and within 30 days after the close of a session concerning his or her lobbying activities. Each report must include the total expenditures for the month and, if the lobbyist had expenditures of \$50 or more during the month, the report must itemize expenses in connection with any event hosted by an organization that sponsors the registrant; expenditures for entertainment, gifts, and loans; and other expenditures directly associated with legislative *action*. With the exception of expenditures associated with a function to which every legislator was invited, the reports must identify the legislators on whose behalf the expenditures were made. Data on personal expenditures for food, lodging, and travel expenses or membership dues are not required in the monthly reports. Violation of the Act is a misdemeanor.

Other sections in the *Nevada Revised Statutes* (NRS) also address improper influence exerted upon legislators. For example, any person who interferes with the legislative process is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.<sup>22</sup> Any person who improperly obtains money or other things of value to influence a member of a legislative body in regard to any vote or legislative action is also guilty of a gross misdemeanor.<sup>23</sup> It is a misdemeanor to misrepresent any fact knowingly when testifying or otherwise communicating to a legislator, though witnesses are absolutely privileged to publish defamatory material that is relevant to a proceeding.<sup>24</sup> Moreover, both the giving of a bribe to a legislator and receiving a bribe are crimes against the legislative power and are subject to severe punishments under the law.<sup>25</sup> Although lobbying activities are customarily prohibited on the *floor* of both chambers,<sup>26</sup> lobbyists may appear before any committee of the Legislature.

#### LEGISLATIVE POWERS, PRIVILEGES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES

#### **Legislator Duties**

The *Nevada Constitution* vests the lawmaking authority for the State in the Nevada Legislature.<sup>27</sup> Generally, the Legislature is empowered to enact the laws of the State;<sup>28</sup> levy taxes on individuals, businesses, property, and sales;<sup>29</sup> appropriate the funds collected for the support of public institutions and the administration of State government;<sup>30</sup> propose amendments to the constitutions of the U.S. and Nevada;<sup>31</sup> and consider legislation proposed by *initiative petitions*.<sup>32</sup> In addition, the Legislature is directed to establish a State university;<sup>33</sup> a public school system;<sup>34</sup> and a statewide, uniform system of county and township government.<sup>35</sup> The Legislature

also has the power to create, revise, or abolish certain county positions;<sup>36</sup> determine the compensation of legislative officers and employees,<sup>37</sup> certain State officials,<sup>38</sup> Supreme Court justices and District Court judges,<sup>39</sup> and specified county officers,<sup>40</sup> decide the winner of a tied election for a district or State office or the office of U.S. Senator or Representative;<sup>41</sup> *impeach* the Governor, other State officials, or any judge, except a justice of the peace;<sup>42</sup> and pardon, reprieve, or compel the enforcement of a sentence for the conviction for treason.<sup>43</sup> The Legislature also provides oversight of the Executive and Judicial Branches of government through the *budget*<sup>44</sup> and audit<sup>45</sup> processes and reviews the regulations developed by State agencies.<sup>46</sup>

The majority of the Legislature's work, however, consists of generating, revising, and occasionally repealing the laws of the State. Through a process defined by the *Nevada Constitution*, State law, and *legislative rules*, the members of the Legislature consider over 1,000 bills and resolutions throughout each *regular session*. The regular sessions of the Senate and Assembly are required to be held during each odd-numbered year, beginning on the first Monday of February.<sup>47</sup> At other times, the Governor may, for a specific purpose, call the Legislature into special session.<sup>48</sup>

During the session, legislators have several responsibilities. They shepherd the measures they introduce through the legislative process by providing testimony at *hearings*, working with others to improve the legislation, and encouraging their colleagues to vote in favor of their bills. Legislators also serve on the committees that review each piece of legislation. Each legislator is typically assigned to three *standing committees*. As committee members, legislators listen to and question witnesses about the provisions of a measure, <sup>49</sup> participate in subcommittees created to focus on a specific bill or issue, <sup>50</sup> and vote on whether the bill or resolution should be transmitted to the full house.

At times, all legislators may be required to participate in a *committee of the whole.*<sup>51</sup> Such a committee is formed only a few times during a regular session. Much more common are the *conference committees*, formed to resolve differences between amendments proposed by each house to the same bill.<sup>52</sup> Occasionally, legislators may be assigned to a *joint committee* of the two houses.<sup>53</sup>

Legislators also are required to attend the meetings of their respective houses,<sup>54</sup> commonly referred to as "floor sessions." The meeting procedures of the Senate, Assembly, and these various committees are discussed elsewhere in this manual.

When not on the floor or in meetings, legislators confer with constituents who call or visit, with lobbyists who represent organizations or certain opinions, and with staff who provide assistance and requested information. Legislators are frequently asked to speak to various groups and attend numerous community functions, most often when the Legislature is not in session.

When the session ends, legislators continue to make speeches, assist constituents, serve on special legislative committees, and compile information in preparation for the next session. Often, legislators serve as facilitators among various groups. For example, a legislator might contact a government agency on behalf of a constituent or bring opposing factions together to solve a problem. In addition, legislators monitor the implementation of certain bills passed during the preceding session. In this capacity, a legislator might attend a hearing conducted by a State agency formulating pertinent regulations.

Between sessions, a legislator may serve on one or more interim committees. Some of these committees study a specific subject, provide oversight of ongoing issues, or are part of national organizations that bring together legislators from the various states to discuss similar problems. Permanent committees of the Legislature are created through statute.<sup>55</sup> Temporary committees usually originate in *concurrent resolutions*<sup>56</sup> passed in one session and are dissolved by the beginning of the next.

The foregoing description of legislative responsibilities is not comprehensive. Like employees in the private sector, legislators are often responsible for other duties as assigned. Any legislator who chairs a committee or assumes a *leadership* role conducts those duties in addition to the ones mentioned. Legislators are also expected by their political parties and communities to perform certain functions, such as attending party *caucuses* and important local events. In addition, most legislators hold full-time jobs and must fulfill their responsibilities to their employers. Although Nevada prides itself on having a citizen Legislature, it demands a significant commitment of time and effort from each of its citizen representatives.

#### **Privileges and Immunities**

Members of the Legislature are immune from arrest on civil process for 15 days prior to and during the course of a session.<sup>57</sup> Subpoenas served on legislators and the Lieutenant Governor by administrative bodies are ineffective during legislative sessions.<sup>58</sup> The statutes also protect legislators by prohibiting employment contracts that work a loss of seniority on any person absent from regular duties or place of employment while attending a legislative session.<sup>59</sup> In addition, legislative service cannot be considered as a break in service by an administrator of a private pension plan.<sup>60</sup>

#### **Limitations on the Legislative Power**

Although the Nevada Legislature has far-ranging authority to enact legislation dealing with social and political concerns, it is not without certain constitutional restrictions that circumscribe its powers. The Legislature shall not pass any local or *special laws* covering the following cases:

- 1. The regulation of the jurisdiction and duties of justices of the peace and constables or the fixing of their compensation;
- 2. Punishments for crimes and misdemeanors;
- 3. The regulation of the practices of courts of justice;
- 4. Any changes in venue of civil or criminal cases;
- 5. The granting of divorces;
- 6. The changing of names of persons;
- 7. Vacating roads, town plots, streets, alleys, and public squares;
- 8. The summoning and impaneling of grand and petit juries and the provision for their compensation;
- 9. The regulation of county and township business;
- 10. The regulation of the election of county and township officers;
- 11. The assessment and collection of taxes for state, county, and township purposes;
- 12. The regulation of the opening and conducting of elections of state, county, or township officers, and the designation of places of voting;
- 13. The sale of real estate belonging to minors or other persons laboring under legal disabilities;
- 14. Giving effect to invalid deeds, wills, or other instruments;
- 15. Refunding money paid into the State Treasury or into the treasury of any county; or
- 16. The release of the indebtedness, liability, or obligation of any corporation, association, or person to the State or its subdivisions.<sup>61</sup>

These restrictions, however, do not deny the power of the Legislature to establish and regulate the compensation and fees of certain county officers or to authorize and empower the boards of county commissioners of the various counties of the State to establish and regulate the compensation and fees of township officers. It is likewise permitted to establish and regulate the rates of freight, passage, toll, and charges of railroads, toll roads, ditch, flume, and tunnel companies incorporated under the laws of this State or doing business in the State.<sup>62</sup> The Legislature must exercise its powers through *general laws* of uniform operation.<sup>63</sup> Laws cannot be specifically directed to special or local instances.

In addition, the State's constitution prohibits the Legislature from levying a personal income tax or authorizing a state-operated lottery in Nevada.<sup>64</sup> It must

establish a uniform system of county and township government throughout the State. 65 It may not abolish any county without the approval of the electors residing within the county's jurisdiction. 66

Individual freedoms, as enumerated in Article 1 of the *Nevada Constitution*, may not be abridged by the Legislature. These rights include such things as the freedom of speech, press, religion, and assembly and prohibitions against bills of attainder, ex-post-facto laws, and laws infringing the obligation of contracts. The list is varied, but most of the rights spelled out in Article 1 of the *Nevada Constitution* are included in the *U.S. Constitution* and, hence, are doubly safeguarded from legislative encroachment.<sup>67</sup> The *Nevada Constitution* also sets a state debt limitation of 2 percent, exclusive of interest, of the assessed valuation of the State<sup>68</sup> and prohibits State assumption of county, city, and corporation debts, unless such debts have been incurred to repel invasion, suppress insurrection, or provide for the public defense.<sup>69</sup>

The Nevada Legislature cannot exercise powers reserved by the *U.S. Constitution* to the federal government or those preempted by the Congress. The State cannot, for example, establish diplomatic relations with a foreign nation; declare war; or, without the consent of the Congress, lay any impost or duties on imports or exports.<sup>70</sup> In some areas, however, the State and the federal government may exercise concurrent jurisdiction and the Legislature, in these instances, may exercise its lawmaking powers.

The Legislature must provide a uniform rate of assessment and taxation throughout the State and may not permit a total tax levy in excess of 5 cents on the dollar of assessed valuation. Under NRS 361.453, the current limitation on the total ad valorem tax levy is set at \$3.64 on each \$100 of assessed valuation. In the case of mines and mining claims, only the net proceeds of minerals may be taxed. Personal property in interstate transit may not be taxed in Nevada, and the Legislature may not impose a state inheritance tax upon the inhabitants of the State. Business inventories are also exempt from taxation.<sup>71</sup>

Outside of these and a few other minor restrictions mentioned in the *Nevada Constitution*, the Legislature may enact any laws it deems necessary to promote the general health, welfare, safety, or happiness of the people. Where the exercise of legislative prerogatives is questioned on constitutional grounds, it is within the purview of the courts to determine the legitimacy of any enactment. Until the courts have decided a question, there is a presumption of validity that adheres to all legislative acts.

#### **Crimes Against the Legislative Power**

It is unlawful in Nevada to interfere with the legislative process. Disruption of proceedings; defacing official documents or records of the Legislature; withholding, altering, or destroying property owned or used by the Legislature; remaining in the legislative chambers or building after being asked to leave pursuant to the law or rule of

the Legislature; coercing or attempting to coerce any legislative member or employee to perform any official act or to refrain from doing so; and possessing firearms or deadly weapons in the Legislative Building all constitute unlawful interferences with the legislative process and are punishable as gross misdemeanors. Similarly, it is a gross misdemeanor to refuse to testify or produce documents when summoned to appear before either house or any legislative committee. Misdemeanor crimes involving the legislative process include misrepresenting any fact knowingly when testifying or otherwise communicating to a legislator, though witnesses are absolutely privileged to publish defamatory material that is relevant to a proceeding.

It is a felony to alter legislative measures or enrolled bills or resolutions with fraudulent intent. Conviction may result in imprisonment in the State prison for a minimum term of not less than one year and a maximum term of not more than four years. The court may also impose a fine of not more than \$5,000.75

#### Contracts in Which a Legislator Has an Interest

It is unlawful for any member of the Legislature to become a named contractor or named subcontractor under any contract or order for supplies for the State or any of its departments, or for the Legislature or either of its houses, if the contract or order is paid for in whole or in part by money appropriated by the Legislature.<sup>76</sup> It is also unlawful for any member of the Legislature to be interested, directly or indirectly, as a principal, in any such contract.<sup>77</sup> Finally, it is unlawful for any member of the Legislature to be interested in any contract made by the Legislature or to be a purchaser or interested in any purchase or sale made by the Legislature.<sup>78</sup>

Despite the general prohibitions stated above, Nevada law provides that a member of the Legislature may sell or enter into a contract to sell, to the State or any of its departments, any item, commodity, service or capital improvement, if the sources of supply are limited; the contracting process is controlled by rules of open competitive bidding; the member has not taken part in developing the contract plans or specifications and will not be personally involved in opening, considering, or accepting any bids for the sale or contract. Under these same conditions, an exception is provided to the general rule stipulating a public officer (including a legislator) or employee shall not bid on or enter into a contract between any governmental agency and any business entity in which the member has a significant pecuniary interest.<sup>79</sup>

In addition, any member of the Legislature may, if not named in a contract, receive, as direct salary or wages, compensation for which the original source was a legislative appropriation to any governmental entity or a private entity not owned or controlled by the legislator. Finally, the law provides that any member of the Legislature may receive, for services as an instructor or teacher from any county school district or the Nevada System of Higher Education, compensation for which the original source was a legislative appropriation to any governmental entity or a private entity not owned or controlled by the legislator.<sup>80</sup> The statute provides that a legislator who violates

these provisions concerning prohibited interests in a contract is guilty of a gross misdemeanor and forfeits his or her office.<sup>81</sup>

As mentioned earlier under the section entitled "Lobbyists," anyone offering or giving a bribe or threatening a legislator to influence a vote or to be absent from the pertinent house or committee thereof must, under the law, be punished by imprisonment in the State prison for a minimum term of not less than one year and a maximum term of not more than five years. The court may also impose a fine of not more than \$10,000.82 Any legislator asking for or receiving a bribe is liable to the same penalty.83

In addition to these penalties, either house may imprison nonmembers for disorderly or contemptuous behavior in its presence. Such punishment, however, may not extend beyond the final *adjournment* of the session.<sup>84</sup>

#### **Ethics and Conflict of Interest**

The ethical conduct of legislators falls under the jurisdiction of the house of which the legislator is a member for those actions taken within the sphere of legislative activity (e.g., disclosure, voting and abstention, et cetera) and under the jurisdiction of Nevada's Commission on Ethics for conduct that falls outside the sphere of legitimate legislative activity. Specifically, the NRS sets forth certain limitations on the amount of campaign contributions received, the time period during which they may be accepted, and their proper use. The NRS also dictates the reporting of personal financial information, the filing of the financial disclosure statement, bribery, the prohibition on honoraria, the limitation on the use of certain State government contracts, the simultaneous employment of elected public officials in State or local government, and the misuse of an elected public official's political office. The simultaneous employment of elected public officials office.

Meanwhile, Rule No. 23 of the Senate Standing Rules and Rule No. 23 of the Assembly Standing Rules provide for the creation of a Committee on Ethics in each house which is charged with hearing requests for advice or complaints brought by Senators or members of the Assembly on questions of potential breaches of ethics and conflicts of interest. Except under specific circumstances, all proceedings held by the Committee on Ethics to consider the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence, or physical or mental health of any person on matters of ethics or conflicts of interest are confidential. Both standing rules further set forth the parameters under which a conflict of interest by a legislator is determined and stipulate that if a conflict of interest exists with a legislative matter, the legislator shall make a general disclosure of the conflict on the record during a committee meeting or on the floor of the Senate or Assembly, as applicable. The disclosure must be entered into the appropriate committee minutes or journal for the Senate or Assembly. The legislator is not required to make that general disclosure at length again regarding the same conflict of interest when the matter in question arises on subsequent occasions during the same session; instead, the legislator may make reference on the record to the previous disclosure.87

Rule No. 23 of the Senate Standing Rules and Rule No. 23 of the Assembly Standing Rules also set forth parameters under which an abstention in voting may be made by a legislator. To determine whether to abstain from voting upon, advocating, or opposing a matter about which a legislator has a conflict of interest, the legislator should consider whether: (1) the conflict impedes the legislator's independence of judgment; and (2) the legislator's interest is greater than the interests of an entire class of persons similarly situated. Finally, the rules specify that if a legislator who is a member of a committee declares on the record when a vote is to be taken by the committee that he or she will abstain, the quorum to act upon and the number of votes necessary to act upon the matter is reduced as though the legislator abstaining were not a member of the committee.

#### Reporting of Campaign Contributions and Expenses

Everyone who is a candidate for any State or local office at any election (primary, general, special, or *recall*) must list each campaign contribution and expense on affidavit forms designed and provided by the Secretary of State. Such reports must be filed with the official with whom the candidate's declaration of candidacy or acceptance of candidacy was filed. A candidate may submit the report to that filing officer by certified mail, regular mail, fax machine, or electronic mail. If certified mail is used, the date of mailing is deemed the date of filing. If sent by other means, the date received by the filing officer is deemed the date of filing.

Under the law, during election years, campaign contributions and expenses reports for primary and general elections must be filed three times per election cycle:

- 1. Report No. 1 is due seven days prior to the primary election;
- 2. Report No. 2 is due seven days prior to the general election; and
- 3. Report No. 3 is due by January 15 following the general election.

Contributions and expenses reports are also required from elected officials in nonelection years. Those reports are referred to as "annual reports" and are due in nonelection cycle years by mid-January for those who have received contributions in excess of \$10,000 during that year.<sup>91</sup>

Chapter 294A of NRS requires that certain persons, business entities, and political organizations who make an expenditure on behalf of a candidate must report the name and address of the contributor and the date of each campaign contribution in excess of \$100 and contributions which a contributor has made cumulatively in excess of \$100.92 Similarly, persons or groups of persons, including business entities, that receive or expend more than \$10,000 to advocate the passage or defeat of ballot questions must report the same information for campaign contributions in excess of \$1,000 and contributions which a contributor has made cumulatively in excess of \$1,000.93 Similar reporting and identification requirements exist for campaign expenditures.94

Persons and groups who advocate for the passage or defeat of a constitutional amendment or statewide measure proposed by an initiative or referendum (including the initiation or circulation thereof) and receive or spend more than \$10,000 for such advocacy must also file a report of contributions and expenses in excess of \$1,000.95

Nevada Revised Statutes 294A.160 prohibits the expenditure of money received as a campaign contribution for a candidate's personal use. It also limits the disposition of unspent contributions. Nevada Revised Statutes 294A.365 requires the reporting of the manner in which the unspent contributions are disposed.

#### **Financial Disclosure**

Every candidate for the Legislature is required to file financial disclosure statements with the Secretary of State. Such statements must be filed no later than the tenth day after the last day to qualify as a candidate for the office and then once a year thereafter, including the year that the term expires, on or before January 15 of each year. The Secretary of State and the Commission on Ethics are required to retain the statements for six years. 97

Under the law, statements of financial disclosure are required to contain specific information concerning the candidate's:

- 1. Length of residence in Nevada and the legislative district;
- 2. Sources of income;
- 3. Real estate holdings valued at \$2,500 or more (except for a personal residence);
- 4. Specified creditors to whom the candidate or members of the candidate's household owe \$5,000 or more:
- 5. Certain gifts received by the candidate with a value of \$200 or more; and
- 6. A list of all business entities in which the candidate or a member of the candidate's household is involved as a trustee, beneficiary, director, officer, owner, partner, or shareholder of at least 1 percent of the stock.<sup>98</sup>

A legislator who fails to file the statement of financial disclosure in a timely manner is subject to a civil penalty and payment of court costs and attorney's fees.<sup>99</sup>

#### FINANCIAL OPERATION OF THE LEGISLATURE

#### Legislative Fund

During each legislative session, the Legislature appropriates monies from the State General Fund to pay for the cost of the session and the activities of the Legislative Counsel Bureau. These *appropriations* are deposited in the Legislative Fund. The expenses paid from the Legislative Fund include legislator and staff salaries,

travel expenses of both legislators and staff, and operating and capital costs of the Legislature and the Legislative Counsel Bureau.

#### **Legislator Compensation and Allowances**

Legislators are paid a salary for the first 60 days of a regular session and for up to 20 days of a special session. Under NRS 218A.630, the minimum daily salary for legislators is \$130. For legislators elected on or after November 8, 2006, the compensation of the office of the Senator or Assembly member is increased by an amount equal to the cumulative percentage increase in the salaries of the classified employees of the State during the immediately preceding term of that office. <sup>101</sup>

Legislators receive additional payments for their travel and per diem during a legislative session. The per diem, which is intended to cover the legislator's lodging, meals, and incidental expenses, is equal to the federal rate for the Carson City area, which is currently \$154. This per diem amount is paid each day that the Legislature is in session. Costs associated with travel during a session (moving expenses, housing and furniture rental, and travel related to legislative business) are reimbursed, subject to an overall limit of \$10,000 during a regular session and \$1,200 during a special session. 102

For travel to and from Carson City for the legislative session and for a presession orientation conference, each legislator is entitled to per diem plus reimbursement of actual travel expenses. Each legislator whose permanent residence is more than 50 miles from Carson City, and who enters into a lease or other agreement for housing during session, is also entitled to a supplemental housing allowance during the session. This allowance is equal to the fair market rent for a one bedroom unit in Carson City, as published by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The Fiscal Year 2010 rate for the Carson City area is \$736 per month. 103

In addition to these amounts, each legislator is entitled to a communications allowance of \$2,800 and a postage allowance of \$60.<sup>104</sup> Legislators who are chairs of standing committees or hold leadership positions are entitled to an additional \$900 allowance.<sup>105</sup> Each member also is entitled to a certain number of business cards, stationery, and envelopes from the State Printing Office of the Legislative Counsel Bureau.<sup>106</sup> The *Speaker of the Assembly* and the Lieutenant Governor receive an additional \$2 per day during the time of their actual attendance as *presiding officer*.<sup>107</sup>

When the Legislature is not in session, each Senator and Assembly member is entitled to receive a salary and the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided by law for each day of attendance at a conference, meeting, seminar, or other gathering at which the legislator officially represents the State of Nevada or its Legislature. The salary varies depending on the activity, but does not exceed the amount provided by law. 108

#### Legislators' Retirement

Members of the Nevada Legislature may choose to participate in the Legislators' Retirement System. During a regular session, 15 percent of each legislator's gross compensation is withheld as a contribution to the retirement plan. The State's contribution is made from the Legislative Fund based on the recommendation of a consulting actuary. The minimum requirement for retirement with monthly benefits is ten years of accredited service at the age of 60 years. A lapse in service as a legislator is not just cause for forfeiture of any retirement rights accrued prior to such lapse.

A legislator entering into retirement receives a monthly retirement allowance of \$25 for each year of service up to 30 years, with fractions of years prorated. This allowance is subject to the same cost-of-living increase received by the retirees and beneficiaries of the Public Employees' Retirement System.

The Legislators' Retirement System permits survivor benefits for a legislator's dependents; allows several conversion options to be exercised by a legislator at the time of retirement; permits purchase of previous creditable service performed in the Legislature, if such service was performed prior to the creation of the system; allows purchase of up to five years of out-of-state service performed with any federal, state, county, or municipal public system, if that service is no longer creditable in the other system; and provides for coordination with other retirement systems. All of the provisions relating to legislative retirement are specified in the Legislators' Retirement Law. 109

#### **Compensation of Employees**

The Secretary of the Senate and the Chief Clerk of the Assembly determine compensation rates for employees of their respective houses during legislative sessions. Please contact them for further information.

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- <sup>29</sup> Nevada Constitution, Art. 9, Sec. 2; Art. 10, Sec. 1.
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- <sup>38</sup> Nevada Constitution, Art. 15, Sec. 9.
- 39 Nevada Constitution, Art. 6, Sec. 15.
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# CHAPTER III LEGISLATIVE PROCEDURE AND ACTION

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#### **Sessions**

Regular sessions of the Nevada Legislature are held biennially in odd-numbered years. They convene on the first Monday in February after the election of members of the Senate and Assembly unless the Governor, by proclamation, convenes a special session at another time.<sup>1</sup>

Sessions are limited to 120 *calendar days* following the approval by voters of a constitutional amendment in 1998.<sup>2</sup> Previous sessions were unlimited in length following the repeal in 1958 of a constitutional provision setting a 60-day maximum limit on the duration of a session. Since 1958, there has been only one regular session of less than 60 days, that being the single annual session of 1960, which lasted 55 days. Between 1975 and 1997, regular sessions in Nevada ran between 113 and 169 days. Conversely, the 1989 Special Session was the shortest in history, lasting just over two hours in the Senate.

The *Nevada Constitution* also limits the number of days for which legislators may receive compensation. Since 2005, the salary of members has been set by NRS 218A.630 at a maximum of \$130 per day, adjusted by an amount equal to the cumulative increase in the salaries of State employees. However, the *Constitution* forbids compensation for services to be paid to legislators for more than 60 calendar days for any regular session and 20 days for any special session.<sup>3</sup> Reimbursement for certain expenses of members, however, may continue for the entire length of a session.

Special sessions of the Legislature may only be convened on the call of the Governor.<sup>4</sup> After both houses have organized in special session, the Governor is required by the *Nevada Constitution* to state the purpose for which they have been convened. The Legislature may not enact any bills or joint resolutions pertaining to subjects other than those for which it was convened. The Governor, however, may expand the reasons for calling the Legislature into session at any time during that session, thereby reducing the restrictions on legislative initiative.<sup>5</sup> The Legislature, at times, has adopted simple or concurrent resolutions to express its sentiments on matters not contained in the Governor's call. The last special session, which was the twenty-sixth in State history, was conducted during the interim period in 2010.

Legislative activities, including committee hearings, are open to the public. The *Constitution* also stipulates that neither house may, without the consent of the other, adjourn for more than three days nor move to any place other than where it is holding

its session. The Joint Rules of the Senate and Assembly specify that one or more adjournments, for a duration of more than three days, may be taken to permit standing committees, select committees, or the Legislative Counsel Bureau to prepare the matters respectively entrusted to them for the consideration of the Legislature as a whole. The total time taken for all such adjournments is not to exceed 20 days during any regular session. The 1991, 1993, and 1995 Legislatures adjourned for two weeks early in the session to allow the Senate Committee on Finance and Assembly Committee on Ways and Means to work full-time on the review of proposed State agency budgets. During this same period, the remaining "morning" committees of the Legislature held hearings on bills and other legislative matters in the Las Vegas area. Beginning in 1999, the two money committees have conducted informational hearings in Carson City as a subcommittee acting under the auspices of the Legislative Commission during the two weeks immediately preceding the start of session.

In the case of a disagreement between the two houses with respect to the time of the Legislature's final adjournment, the Governor is constitutionally empowered to adjourn the Legislature to such a time as deemed proper, but not, however, beyond the time fixed for the meeting of the next Legislature.<sup>8</sup>

#### Legislative Leadership

#### LEGISLATIVE OFFICERS: SENATE

To perform their proper roles efficiently, the two houses of the Nevada Legislature are authorized by the *Nevada Constitution* to choose their own officers (except for the *President of the Senate*). They also may determine the rules of their proceedings, punish their members for disorderly conduct, and, with the concurrence of two-thirds of all the members elected, expel a member. From tradition and experience, both houses have created internal administrative structures that closely parallel one another. There are, however, certain differences in terminology and the assignment of responsibility that distinguish the two houses.

The Lieutenant Governor is the Senate's presiding officer, sitting as the President of the Senate. The Lieutenant Governor is elected by the public for a four-year term in November of even-numbered years between presidential elections and is the first in line of succession to the governorship. The Lieutenant Governor presides over the Senate but is not a member of it; cannot vote on any question, except to break a tie vote; and is not permitted to vote on any measure (bill or joint resolution).<sup>10</sup>

The President calls the Senate to order, chairs the conduct of business before the body, is responsible for the maintenance of decorum in the chamber, and has the general direction of the Senate chamber. In addition, the President recognizes Senators during debate; decides questions of parliamentary procedure, subject to appeal to the whole Senate; and signs all acts, addresses, joint resolutions, writs, warrants, and subpoenas.<sup>11</sup>

The *President pro Tempore* presides over the Senate in the absence of the President. Unlike the President, the President pro Tempore is a member of the Senate and elected by it. As a Senator, the President pro Tempore may vote on all issues, may enter into debate by relinquishing the chair, and exercises all of the powers and responsibilities of the President. Under the *Nevada Constitution*, the President pro Tempore is the second in line of succession to the governorship, immediately after the Lieutenant Governor.

If both the President of the Senate and the President pro Tempore are absent or unable to discharge their duties, the Standing Rules of the Senate stipulate that the Chair of the Standing Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections or, if this officer is absent, the committee's Vice Chair should preside. In the event that none of the designated officers is able to preside, the rules provide for the Senate to elect one of its members as the presiding officer for that occasion.<sup>14</sup>

The Secretary of the Senate is elected by the members of the Senate to serve as Administrative Officer, Parliamentarian, and ex officio member of the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. Responsible to the *Majority Floor Leader*, the Secretary coordinates the daily activities of floor sessions, reads official communications to the body, calls roll, tabulates votes, edits the *Journals and Histories of the Senate*, records all floor action, oversees the processing of bills and resolutions, and signs all acts passed by the Legislature. The Secretary also interviews and recommends to the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections persons to be considered for employment by the Senate and supervises a cadre of assistant clerks and secretaries. At the end of each working day, unless otherwise ordered by the Senate, the Secretary transmits to the Assembly those bills and resolutions upon which the next action is to be taken by that body.<sup>15</sup>

The Sergeant at Arms of the Senate is responsible for keeping order in and around the chamber, ensuring that only authorized persons are permitted on the floor, and handling other duties as directed by the Majority Floor Leader. The Sergeant at Arms is also responsible to maintain the Senate's chamber, private caucus room, kitchen, and meeting rooms for committees. The Assistant Sergeant at Arms acts as the Senate doorkeeper, preserves order in the Senate chamber, and provides other assistance to the Sergeant at Arms. The Arms of the Sergeant at Arms.

In addition to these major Senate officers, there are a number of employees hired to perform miscellaneous functions. Secretaries, clerks, and other *attachés* are appointed to their positions via a one-house resolution. Both houses have such employees, appointed in exactly the same manner. The number of officers and employees of the Senate and the Assembly is determined each session by each respective house.<sup>18</sup>

#### LEGISLATIVE OFFICERS: ASSEMBLY

The presiding officer of the Nevada Assembly is the Speaker. Unlike the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the Assembly is elected from among the membership of the Assembly. The 2009 Assembly Standing Rules provide that the Speaker shall, among other things: (1) preserve order and decorum and have general direction of the chamber; (2) decide all questions of order, subject to each member's right to appeal; (3) have the right to assign the duties of the Chair to any member for up to one *legislative day*; (4) have the power to accredit the persons who act as representatives of the news media and assign their seats; (5) sign all bills and resolutions passed by the Legislature and all subpoenas issued by the Assembly or any committee thereof; and (6) vote on final passage of a bill or resolution. The Speaker is not required to vote in ordinary legislative proceedings except when such a vote would be decisive. In all yea and nay votes, the Speaker's name is required to be called last.<sup>19</sup> The Speaker is third in the line of succession to the governorship, behind the Lieutenant Governor and President pro Tempore of the Senate. 20 The tenures of the President pro Tempore and the Speaker continue beyond the end of the session and until their successors are designated after the general election.<sup>21</sup>

It has been customary for the Assembly to elect a *Speaker pro Tempore* to preside in the temporary absence of the Speaker. This officer's duties are comparable to those of the President pro Tempore of the Senate, exclusive of the right of succession to the governorship. Assembly Standing Rule No. 1 requires that if a permanent vacancy occurs in the office of Speaker, the Assembly shall select a new Speaker.<sup>22</sup>

The Chief Clerk is elected by the members of the Assembly to serve as Administrative Officer, Parliamentarian, and ex officio member of the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. Responsible to the Speaker, the Chief Clerk coordinates the daily activities of floor sessions, reads official communications to the body, calls roll, tabulates votes, edits the *Journals and Histories of the Assembly*, records all floor actions, oversees the processing of bills and resolutions, and signs all acts passed by the Legislature. The Chief Clerk recruits, selects, trains, and supervises all attachés employed to assist with the work of the Assembly. At the end of each working day, unless otherwise ordered by the Assembly, the Chief Clerk traditionally transmits to the Senate those bills and resolutions upon which the next action is to be taken by that body.

The Sergeant at Arms of the Assembly is responsible for keeping order in and around the chamber, ensuring that only authorized persons are permitted on the floor, and handling other duties as directed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk. The Sergeant at Arms is also responsible to maintain the Assembly chamber, private caucus room, and kitchen.<sup>23</sup> The Assistant Sergeants at Arms act as the Assembly doorkeeper, preserve order in the Assembly chamber, and provide other assistance to the Sergeant at Arms.<sup>24</sup>

The law permits the Senate and Assembly to invite ministers of the different religious denominations to officiate alternately as chaplains of the respective houses.<sup>25</sup> By custom, the chaplains are usually selected from the local clergy association. Occasionally, however, ministers from other locations, Assembly staff, or legislators themselves serve as chaplains.

#### FLOOR LEADERS

In addition to the formal leadership in the two houses of the Legislature, the partisan nature of the chambers makes it necessary to use party leadership positions to manage the legislative workload. In both houses, Majority and *Minority Floor Leaders* of their respective parties are selected during party caucuses. The Senate and Assembly also have, by custom, established the positions of Assistant Majority Floor Leader, Assistant Minority Floor Leader, Majority *Whip*, Minority Whip, Assistant Majority Whip, and Assistant Minority Whip. The Senate established an Assistant Majority Whip to its leadership prior to the 1997 Legislative Session. House leaders are not legal officers of the houses, since their offices do not exist under provisions of law.<sup>26</sup> In Nevada, the Senate Majority Floor Leader is the actual leader of the Senate, with powers similar to those of the Speaker of the Assembly.

Generally, the Majority Floor Leader or the Assistant Majority Floor Leader manages the *referral* to committee of bills that are received from the other house and works closely with the presiding officer on parliamentary operations involving legislation being considered on the floor. Thus, a thorough knowledge of parliamentary procedure is an important attribute of a competent Majority Floor Leader or Assistant Majority Floor Leader.

Floor leaders are party officials in the Legislature and are responsible for maintaining party discipline in their respective houses. Straight party voting is relatively uncommon in the Nevada Legislature, as members customarily exercise wide latitude in voting. But in certain critical areas, the Majority and Minority Floor Leaders are expected to call a caucus to determine their party's stance on an issue. Once a position is agreed upon, the floor leaders act as "whips" to solidify partisan support for the caucus decision. The tenure of the floor leaders extends during the interim between regular sessions of the Legislature and until the election of their successors after the general election.<sup>27</sup>

# Procedure and Order of Business in the Senate and Assembly

The Senate and the Assembly function in accordance with constitutional provisions, standing rules, and the *Nevada Revised Statutes*.

The Senate and Assembly rules stipulate that *Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure* shall govern in all cases in which it is not inconsistent with the Standing Rules and orders and the Joint Rules of the two houses.<sup>28</sup>

Under the Standing Rules of the Senate, precedence of authority is outlined within *Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure*, Sec. 4.2.

The Secretary of the Senate and the Chief Clerk of the Assembly serve as parliamentarians for their respective houses.

Under the rules of the Senate, the President calls the chamber to order at 11 a.m. each day of sitting unless the Senate has adjourned to some other day and hour.<sup>29</sup> The Assembly also meets daily at 11 a.m., unless it has previously adjourned to some other hour.<sup>30</sup>

# Quorum

The *Nevada Constitution* states that a majority of all members elected to each house constitutes a *quorum* to transact business. However, a number smaller than this quorum may adjourn from day to day and may compel the attendance of absent members.<sup>31</sup>

#### **Order of Business**

Each house has an official order of business incorporated into its Standing Rules. In the Senate, the order of business for the 2009 Session was as follows:

- 1. Roll Call.
- 2. Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.
- 3. Reading and Approval of the Journal.
- 4. Reports of Committees.
- 5. Messages from the Governor.
- 6. Messages from the Assembly.
- 7. Communications.
- 8. Waivers and Exemptions.
- 9. Motions, Resolutions, and Notices.
- 10. Introduction, First Reading, and Reference.
- 11. Consent Calendar.
- 12. Second Reading and Amendment.
- 13. General File and Third Reading.
- 14. Unfinished Business.
- 15. Special Orders of the Day.
- 16. Remarks from the Floor; Introduction of Guests. A Senator may speak under this order of business for a period of not more than ten minutes.<sup>32</sup>

On the Assembly side, the 2009 order of business varied slightly:

- 1. Call to Order.
- 2. Reading and Approval of Journal.
- 3. Presentation of Petitions.

- 4. Reports of Standing Committees.
- 5. Reports of Select Committees.
- 6. Communications.
- 7. Messages from the Senate.
- 8. Motions, Resolutions, and Notices.
- 9. Introduction, First Reading, and Reference.
- 10. Consent Calendar.
- 11. Second Reading and Amendment.
- 12. General File and Third Reading.
- 13. Unfinished Business of Preceding Day.
- 14. Special Orders of the Day.
- 15. Remarks from the Floor, limited to ten minutes.<sup>33</sup>

Each item in the official order of business is considered as the house progresses through the day's program of business. From time to time, however, members may request that the presiding officer turn to items of business that are out of the usual order.

# THE LEGISLATURE IN ACTION: A BILL BECOMES A LAW

The steps through which a bill progresses toward enactment are outlined in a chart entitled "Nevada's Legislative Process," which is located in Appendix C at the end of this manual. The following discussion provides a brief overview of the process. The 2009 Regular Session of the Nevada Legislature considered 1,000 bills—564 from the Assembly, 435 from the Senate, and 1 initiative petition. The Legislature also considered over 100 resolutions. Of the 1,000 bills that were considered during the 2009 Session, 527 bills were approved. The Governor *vetoed* 48 bills, of which 25 vetoes were overridden by both houses and became law. Therefore, 504 bills became law. During the 26th Special Session held in February 2010, 11 bills were introduced, 10 of which were enacted and 1 was vetoed.<sup>34</sup>

# Organizing the Legislature

When the Legislature convenes in February of odd-numbered years, there are no operative rules and, in the Assembly, no presiding officer. The Secretary of State calls the Assembly to order at the beginning of a session and appoints a Temporary Chief Clerk. After *call to order*, the Secretary of State appoints a temporary Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections, which examines the election certificate of each member of the Assembly and recommends the seating of legislators whose certificates are in order. Once the members of the Assembly have been sworn in by a Justice of the Supreme Court, the Secretary of State customarily asks for nominations for Speaker. Since the speakership is usually predetermined in caucus, by tradition, the procedure is to nominate only one candidate, who is then elected. The Secretary of State then turns the chair over to the new Speaker, who proceeds to conduct elections for Speaker pro Tempore and Chief Clerk of the Assembly.<sup>35</sup> After the Assembly is organized and standing rules are adopted, committees are appointed

to inform the Senate and Governor that the Assembly is ready for business. However, these procedures may not be necessary if a special session of the Legislature has recently been held.

On the Senate side, the Lieutenant Governor presides over the chamber as President, in accordance with the provisions of the *Nevada Constitution*. With the exception of the election of a presiding officer (which is dispensed with in the Senate), the procedures parallel those of the Assembly. The major difference is that the Senate is not an entirely new body. Approximately one-half of the Senators are elected at each general election, the remainder serving in a holdover capacity.

In recent years, the *State of the State Address* by the Governor has been given to a joint gathering of the members of the Senate and Assembly prior to the start of the session. The text of the message is then officially accepted on the first day of the session. In this message to the Legislature, the Governor outlines the major problems confronting the State and proposes legislative solutions for the consideration of the houses. Under usual circumstances, the speech highlights the most important elements of the Governor's party's legislative program. It constitutes the "action" agenda of the session, for even if the legislative majority party is not of the same political persuasion, the Governor's message will delineate the significant sphere of issues to be resolved.

Long before the Legislature convenes in February, the legislative process is set in motion in subtle and frequently intangible ways. Social problems enter the forum of public debate, and through the exchange of ideas among the citizenry, certain opinions and issues are given the impetus needed to find expression in the legislative arena. Contending positions on public questions are identified, and proposed solutions to problems and conflicts are advocated in the press, among the people, in the academic community, within various interest groups, and among concerned governmental agencies and officials. But whatever the source of an idea for resolving a civic issue, that idea must be translated into a concrete legislative proposal for action—a bill or resolution—before it can formally enter the legislative forum for consideration.

In Nevada, only members of the Legislature or standing committees from either house can introduce legislation. Advocates of proposed legislation must secure a legislative *sponsor* in order to see their ideas enacted into law. Once a sponsor is obtained, a proposal may then be drafted in the form of a bill or a resolution, whichever is appropriate to the matter under consideration. Much of the proposed legislation is initiated by the legislators themselves.

# **Catastrophic Emergencies**

The Legislature has established a plan for the continuation of State and local governmental operations in the event of a catastrophic emergency. The Governor must first determine that the provisions in the *Nevada Constitution* and the

Nevada Revised Statutes are not able to provide for a sufficiently expedient continuity of government and temporary succession of power as a result of vacancies in office created by the catastrophic emergency.<sup>36</sup> Under the plan, if vacancies occur in more than 15 percent of the seats in either house of the Legislature (six in the Assembly or three in the Senate) as a result of a catastrophic emergency, the remaining legislators available for duty constitute the Legislature and have full power to act in separate or joint assembly by majority vote of those present. Legislative measures may be approved in the same proportion necessary as if the entire Legislature were present. Any requirement for a quorum must initially be suspended and adjusted as vacant offices are filled. The Legislature may meet at a location other than the location the legislative body ordinarily meets (Carson City), if the legislative body determines that such a change is needed due to safety and related concerns.

# Bill Drafting

Before starting its journey through the Legislature, each piece of proposed legislation must be drafted in suitable form and terminology. Under law, this function for the Nevada Legislature is performed by bill drafters employed by the Legislative Counsel.<sup>37</sup> The Legislative Counsel and bill drafting staff provide legal services at no charge for all legislators, regardless of political party. The service is confidential, and contents of proposed legislation will not be divulged to anyone without the express consent of the sponsor or sponsors.

After obtaining the facts and objectives from a sponsor, the bill drafter must translate the information into proper legal terminology, form, and style. The bill must be coherent, concise, understandable, and free of ambiguity; it must be checked for conformance with the *U.S. Constitution* and the *Nevada Constitution*; court decisions relevant to the legislation must be checked; and the Nevada statutes must be studied to ascertain whether there are conflicts. To the extent practicable, the Legislative Counsel shall cause each bill or joint resolution introduced in the Legislature to include a digest. The digest must be printed on the bill immediately following the *title* of the bill.<sup>38</sup>

In addition, the bill drafter must check the measure for compliance with the provision in the *Nevada Constitution* that requires that each law enacted by the Legislature must be limited to one subject area.<sup>39</sup>

The Legislative Counsel, insofar as it is possible, processes legislators' bill drafting requests in the order in which they are received. However, legislators may designate different drafting priorities for their own bills and resolutions.

In addition to drafting bills for legislators, the Legislative Counsel also prepares bills for the Executive Branch when authorized by the Governor or a designated staff member.<sup>40</sup> The Legislative Counsel also prepares legislative measures requested by

the Supreme Court.<sup>41</sup> Authorization for bill drafts on behalf of State constitutional officers, local governments, school districts, and other groups are also specified in statute.<sup>42</sup> Appendices A and B provide a general overview of the statutory limitations and deadlines for *bill draft requests* (BDRs).

After November 1 of the year preceding the next regular session, full priority is given to legislative members' requests for bill drafting, and the Legislative Counsel is not permitted to prepare any proposed legislation during any regular session of the Legislature except as authorized by statute or joint rule of the Legislature.<sup>43</sup> On July 1 of the year preceding the next regular session (and each week thereafter until adjournment of the Legislature), the Legislative Counsel prepares a list of all requests received for the preparation of measures to be submitted to the Legislature.<sup>44</sup> The BDR list is available to the public in booklet form and on the Nevada Legislature's website (http://www.leg.state.nv.us/).

# **Prefiling of Bills**

A majority of states, including Nevada, authorize the prefiling of bills. Prefiling allows drafted bills and joint resolutions, upon the approval of the primary sponsor, to be numbered, printed and made available for public review, and scheduled for hearing before the start of session. On the first day of session, these measures are formally introduced and referred to committee. Prefiled bills and resolutions could be heard in committee as early as the second or third day of session. The process of prefiling is designed to help expedite the review of a significant number of bills early in the session.

The statutory provisions regarding prefiling are generally found in NRS 218D.575 through NRS 218D.585. Legislation passed in 2007 provides that all requests for measures submitted by certain nonlegislative entities (including local governments, the Executive Branch, and the Supreme Court) must be prefiled by December 15 preceding a legislative session or they will be deemed withdrawn.

# **Fiscal Notes**

A *fiscal note* is a document that details the fiscal effect of certain bills, resolutions, and ballot questions and is attached to or becomes a part of the bill, resolution, or ballot question. An example of a fiscal note may be found in Appendix D. The statutory provisions regarding fiscal notes are found in NRS 218D.400 through NRS 218D.495, inclusive. A bill or joint resolution is required to have a fiscal note if it meets any of the following criteria: (1) creates or increases a fiscal liability or decreases revenue for the State government by more than \$2,000; (2) has an adverse fiscal effect on any local government; or (3) increases or provides for a new term of imprisonment or makes release on parole or probation less likely.<sup>45</sup> Information regarding the necessity of a fiscal note for a bill or resolution can be found in the *summary* of the bill or resolution.<sup>46</sup> All ballot questions have fiscal notes.<sup>47</sup>

When a bill or resolution is drafted, the Legislative Counsel consults with the Fiscal Analysis Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau to determine if a fiscal note is required. If the requester is a legislator, the Fiscal Analysis Division then informs the legislator requesting the bill draft that a fiscal note is required and requests permission to begin preparing the fiscal note. If the legislator does not give permission, the preparation of the fiscal note is started automatically upon *introduction* of the bill. Although a bill can be introduced without a fiscal note, the legislative committees may not vote on a measure that requires a fiscal note until the fiscal note is attached.<sup>48</sup>

Any legislator may request that a fiscal note be done on any bill while it is before the house of the Legislature to which the legislator belongs. Upon receiving the request, the presiding officer of the full house or the committee may direct the Fiscal Analysis Division to obtain the requested note.<sup>49</sup> A fiscal note is required only on the original bill or joint resolution unless an amendment by either house invalidates the original fiscal note and the presiding officer directs the Fiscal Analysis Division to obtain a new one showing the effect of the amended bill or joint resolution.<sup>50</sup>

During the preparation of the fiscal note, the Fiscal Analysis Division releases the contents of a bill on a need-to-know basis only and does not release the name of the party requesting the bill. State agencies have five working days from the date of request to prepare the fiscal information, send it to the Department of Administration for review and comments, and return it to the Fiscal Analysis Division. The Fiscal Analysis Division may grant up to a ten-day extension if the subject requires extensive research. Fiscal information prepared by the Judicial Branch, the Legislature, or other nonexecutive branch agencies is returned directly to the Fiscal Analysis Division and is not subject to review by the Department of Administration. Local government fiscal notes are compiled by the Fiscal Analysis Division based on the fiscal note provided by appropriate local government agencies.

# Introduction and First Reading

After a bill has been drafted, it is ready for introduction in the Legislature. Only legislators and standing committees are authorized to introduce a bill. Under the *Nevada Constitution*, any bill may originate in either house, and all bills passed by one may be amended in the other.<sup>53</sup> This is a significant departure from the practice in the United States Congress, where bills raising revenue must originate in the House of Representatives. But in Nevada, as in Congress, bills originating in one house must be sponsored by a member or a committee of that house. Joint sponsorship of legislation by standing committees and by one or more legislators from one or both houses (Senate and Assembly) is authorized.<sup>54</sup>

The Senate and the Assembly have joint rules that place a time and number limit on legislators' requests for the drafting of bills and resolutions. After a regular legislative session has convened, each member of the Assembly is entitled to two, and each Senator

is entitled to four, requests for the drafting of a bill that must be submitted by the eighth calendar day of session. The number of requests for bills by standing committees is also limited, and these requests must be submitted by the nineteenth calendar day of session. Emergency bills may be authorized by the Majority Floor Leader of the Senate, the Speaker of the Assembly, the Minority Leader of the Senate, and the Minority Leader of the Assembly. All bill draft requests must be introduced no later than ten calendar days after initial delivery. Appendix A provides an overview of the deadlines for introduction and passage of legislation.

All bills in Nevada, except for those placed on a *consent calendar*, are required by the *Constitution* to be read by sections in each house on three separate days. In an emergency, two-thirds of the house where a bill is pending may order this rule dispensed with on the *first* and *second readings*, but a bill must be read by sections on its final passage.<sup>59</sup> To comply with the constitutional requirements, the houses have first, second, and *third readings* on every bill and joint resolution. However, because of the volume of bills processed through the chambers, time considerations have necessitated a liberal interpretation of the meaning of the phrase to "read by sections." At the time the *Constitution* was framed, printed bills were not available to each legislator for analysis, so three full readings permitted a greater study and understanding of a bill's contents and any amendments added to it prior to the vote on final passage. Today, of course, bills are readily available with the latest amendments incorporated into their texts.

The *first reading* in both houses is for information only. <sup>60</sup> When the bills are introduced and first read, they are delivered by a legislator or legislative staff member to the desk of the Secretary or Chief Clerk, as the case may be, who assigns numbers to the bills and gives them first reading by title. In the Assembly, a motion is usually made for referral to committees by the introducer. In the Senate, bills and resolutions are usually referred to committees with jurisdiction over measures affecting specific titles and chapters of NRS as prescribed in Senate Standing Rule No. 40. Although a bill may initially be referred to a particular committee, on occasion, different committees may be proposed from the floor. In such instances, the whole house votes on the question. By the following day, the official printed copies of the bills and resolutions are delivered to the Secretary or Chief Clerk. Immediately thereafter, the official printed copies are delivered by receipt to the chairs of the committees to which the bills or resolutions were referred. A duplicate copy is transmitted to the Legislative Counsel for photocomposition and filing.<sup>61</sup> (When a bill introduced and passed in the first house is presented to the other house, it is the Assistant Majority Floor Leader in the Senate and the Majority Floor Leader in the Assembly who make a motion to refer it to committee.)

# **Committees**

#### STANDING COMMITTEES

Each house of the Nevada Legislature has its own standing committees, the members of which are appointed (Assembly) or announced (Senate) by the presiding officer in accordance with current standing rules.<sup>62</sup> The number of members is determined by these rules, and there are often changes made at the beginning of each session. In the Senate, the composition and leadership of the committees is usually determined by the Majority Floor Leader. Usually, minority member party memberships in the Senate committees are determined in caucuses of the minority party, and the Majority Leader appoints the members as agreed to in such caucuses. In the Assembly, the Speaker traditionally makes the committee appointments and uses such appointments as part of the campaign to be Speaker. The Speaker also designates the Chair and Vice Chair of each committee. 63 Usually, minority party memberships in Assembly committees are determined in caucuses of the minority party, and the Speaker appoints the members as agreed to in such caucuses. With some exceptions, the general practice is for the party membership on committees to reflect the composition of the entire Assembly. Basic rules for the functioning of committees are contained in the standing rules of the houses, the adopted rules of the committees, and Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure, which has been adopted by both houses as the basis of parliamentary practice in all cases in which it is applicable and in which it is not inconsistent with the standing rules of the houses.64

The names and memberships of Senate and Assembly standing committees for the 2011 Session are listed in Chapter I of this manual.

Committees are the workshops of the Legislature. Visitors to the two chambers are often amazed at the rapidity with which business is dispatched, few realizing that long hours in committee sessions have transpired prior to any floor action on a bill. It is in committee that hearings are held, testimony from interested parties is taken, and bills are analyzed line by line for their legal and social merits.

Committees make several types of recommendations on legislative measures that come before them for consideration. A committee of either house may report a bill back to the whole house with a recommendation of "Do pass"; "Amend, and do pass, as amended"; or "Do pass, as amended" (from referral committee only on a bill previously amended in the same house). Such recommendations mean that a committee considers a bill to have sufficient merit to justify its enactment, either as introduced or with appropriate amendments. Other recommendations concerning a bill include: (1) a report that the bill be passed and rereferred or amended and rereferred to a specified committee; (2) "Indefinitely Postpone"; and (3) "Do pass, and place on consent calendar." This last procedure is discussed later under the heading "Consent Calendar."

A standing committee of either house may report a one-house or concurrent resolution back to the floor with a "Be adopted" recommendation. Resolutions may be amended and/or rereferred by recommendation as well.

A committee may also report a bill or resolution "Without recommendation," or "Amend, but without recommendation," which means that the committee was unable to reach a conclusion on what it believes should be the action to be taken by the whole house.

Three Assembly Standing Rules (Nos. 46, 47, and 48) require that records be kept of committee votes on bills or resolutions and of committee proceedings. Furthermore, these records, minutes, and documents are required to be filed in the offices of the Legislative Counsel Bureau upon completion. Senate Standing Rule No. 53 requires that minutes and complete records of all bills be maintained.

Standing committees may perform other functions besides considering legislation. For example, Senate Standing Rule No. 54 encourages each standing committee of the Senate to plan and conduct a general review of selected programs of State agencies or other areas of public interest within the committee's jurisdiction.

#### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

In addition to standing committees, which continue in existence throughout a session, there are two other types of committees used by the Legislature in Nevada—committees of the whole and select committees. A committee of the whole is a committee composed of the entire membership of one of the houses. It is usually convened so that the entire house can consider, analyze, and hear testimony on proposed legislation. When the Senate forms itself into a committee of the whole, the Senator who has moved to form a committee of the whole or the Majority Leader names a Chair to preside over the committee. In the Assembly, the Speaker or his or her designee presides over the committee. A committee of the whole is a temporary, or "ad hoc," committee. At the conclusion of its deliberations, the committee of the whole (through its Chair) normally reports its recommendations back to the house for formal action, in the same manner as standing or select committees.<sup>65</sup>

#### SELECT COMMITTEES AND CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

Select committees are also temporary committees appointed for a special purpose, which may be the consideration of a particular bill or the performance of a ceremonial function (e.g., a committee on escort for a visiting dignitary). In Nevada, bills of application or primary concern to particular localities are sometimes referred to select committees composed of the legislative delegation from the area affected.

A particularly important type of select committee is the conference committee. Whenever a bill is passed by both houses in differing forms because of amendments added by one of the houses, and the two houses cannot agree on identical language for the bill in question, each house appoints a number of conferees to meet with conferees of the other house to seek a resolution of the differences existing in the two versions of the bill. In a conference committee, the conferees of one house may agree to amendments adopted in the other house or *recede* from the amendments adopted by their chamber. Conferees may also decide that new amendments or even new bills are necessary to reach accord. A conference committee may consider the whole subject matter of a bill without restriction to the points in dispute and may make any changes it deems appropriate. Once the conferees reach an agreement, they report back to their respective houses with their recommendations. The report of a conference committee may be adopted by acclamation, and such action is considered equivalent to the final passage voting requirement of the bill as recommended in the report. Conference reports themselves are not subject to amendment.

The 2009 Joint Rules of the Senate and Assembly require that there be no more than one conference committee on any bill or resolution. The rules also require that a majority of the members from each house on a committee be members who voted for passage of the measure.<sup>66</sup> If agreement cannot be reached by the conference committee, the bill or resolution is dead.

# **Committee Hearing**

The rules of the Senate require committees to acquaint themselves with the interests of the State specifically represented by the committee.<sup>67</sup> Committees may also initiate legislation within their jurisdiction. In the Senate, any bill or other matter referred to a committee may be withdrawn from it by a two-thirds vote of the Senate. The Senate rules require that at least one day's notice of a withdrawal motion be given to a committee and specify that no motion for withdrawal is in order on the last two days of the session.<sup>68</sup>

At a committee hearing, the proponents and opponents of a measure are given an opportunity to present their cases. Testimony may be taken from lobbyists, academicians, public officials, special interest groups, and private citizens. To avoid additional expense and duplication of effort for both witnesses and committee members, joint hearings by committees in both houses may be held.

In the Assembly, when a measure is referred concurrently to two committees, the rules specify that it goes to the first committee named. If the first committee votes to amend the bill or resolution, the measure is *reprinted* with amendments and then returned to the first committee or sent to the second committee depending

upon the motion. If no amendment is proposed by the first committee or if the first committee acts upon the bill or resolution after amendment, the measure must be sent to the floor with a committee recommendation to the Chief Clerk for transmittal to the second committee.<sup>69</sup>

Witnesses summoned to appear before the Senate or Assembly or any of their committees are compensated at the same rate as witnesses required to attend a court of law in Nevada. However, witnesses appearing of their own volition do so at their own expense.

As discussed under the heading "Standing Committees," committees may or may not report bills out to the floor of the houses for further action, and they may report them out with a variety of recommendations. When a referral committee reports a bill and recommends a certain disposition of it, the bill is then placed on the second reading file for the next legislative day.

# Notice of Bills, Topics, and Public Hearings

Both Senate and Assembly rules require that adequate notice be provided on bills, resolutions, and public hearings.<sup>71</sup> Notices must include the date, time, place, and agenda to be covered and must be: (1) posted conspicuously in the Legislative Building; (2) published in the daily history; and (3) made available to the news media. Both houses permit suspension of this requirement for an emergency.

# **Consent Calendar**

To process bills of a noncontroversial nature in a more efficient and less time-consuming manner, the rules of the Senate and Assembly, as well as the *Nevada Constitution*, provide for the use of consent calendars by both houses of the Nevada Legislature. Bills on a consent calendar are considered for final passage and do not require second or third readings.

Standing committees may report a bill out with the recommendation that it be placed on a consent calendar. In the Assembly, a bill may be placed on the consent calendar if it has: (1) been recommended for passage; (2) no amendments recommended for it; and (3) received a unanimous vote by the standing committee to be placed on the consent calendar. The Chief Clerk of the Assembly is required to maintain a list of bills recommended for the consent calendar that must be printed in the daily history. In the Senate, a measure that is recommended both for passage with no amendments and for placement on the consent calendar must be included in the daily file listed in the Senate's daily history for at least one calendar day before it may be considered. Measures that contain an appropriation, require a two-thirds vote, or are controversial in nature are not eligible for the Senate's consent calendar.

The standing rules of both the Senate and the Assembly require that a bill on a consent calendar must be transferred to the second reading file if any member objects to the bill's inclusion on the consent calendar or requests such bill's removal from the consent calendar.<sup>72</sup>

# **Second Reading**

Committees cannot amend bills; they can only suggest amendments for adoption by their respective houses. In fact, the rules of both chambers specify that a bill cannot be amended until read twice. Assembly rules require that bills be read the second time on the first legislative day after reported from committee unless a different day is designated by motion.<sup>73</sup> If the committee recommends amendment or individual legislators propose amendments, the amendments must be made available electronically to all members prior to actual adoption or rejection of the amendments proposed.<sup>74</sup> Although the Senate rules are silent on this point, the practice has generally been the same.

On second reading, the Secretary or Chief Clerk usually reads the title of the bill, the enacting clause, the various sections by number only, and the amendments by number and proposer only. In past sessions in the Senate, the Secretary would begin reading the amendment and then a Senator would move to dispense with reading of the amendment. Committee amendments or amendments from individual legislators are then adopted or rejected by simple majority vote of the members present and voting. Voting on amendments is normally by voice vote, although other methods, including *roll calls*, may be employed on demand of three members present or in order to determine the prevailing side.<sup>75</sup> If a bill is amended on second reading, the presiding officer orders the bill reprinted, engrossed, and placed on the *general file* for third reading and final action.

# General File and Third Reading

At the end of each day's session, the bills or joint resolutions placed on the general file for third reading and final passage are posted on the Nevada Legislature's website (http://www.leg.state.nv.us/), and along with the second reading file and committee notices, the general file is printed in the daily history. When the order of business "general file and third reading" is reached on the following day, the bills are considered in their proper order, unless a motion is made and approved to move certain bills to a different position on the general file. The Secretary or Chief Clerk reads the bill by title, enacting clause, and sections. <sup>76</sup> If new amendments are proposed and adopted, the bill is sent back for reprinting and goes through the reprinting and engrossment process once more. To expedite bill processing, the Assembly may, upon motion, dispense with the reprinting and engrossment of amended bills and resolutions. If there are no amendments, the merits of the bill are discussed and then the roll is called. <sup>77</sup>

In debate, after a legislator has requested to speak and has been recognized by the presiding officer, the legislator rises and addresses the chair ("Mr. or Madam Speaker," "Mr. or Madam President"). The legislator is expected to observe decorum at all times, speak only on the subject under consideration, and avoid all references to personalities. To be entitled to the floor, a speaker must be recognized by the presiding officer, and when two or more legislators rise at the same time, it is the prerogative of the presiding officer to name the one to speak first. In doing so, preference is given to the mover or introducer of the subject under consideration.<sup>79</sup>

In debate, a legislator may not speak more than twice during the consideration of any one question on the same day, except for explanation, nor a second time without leave of the body when others who have not spoken desire the floor. Incidental or subsidiary questions are not considered the same question.<sup>80</sup> In closing debate, the author of the bill, resolution, or main question customarily has the privilege of speaking last, unless the previous question has been sustained.<sup>81</sup>

In order for a bill or joint resolution to pass, the *Nevada Constitution* requires that a majority of the members elected to the body vote for the measure.<sup>82</sup> Bills or joint resolutions which create, generate, or increase public revenue through taxes, fees, or similar mechanisms require approval by *two-thirds* of the members elected in each house unless the measure is referred to the voters by a majority vote. All votes on final passage are by roll call and are recorded in the journal of the chamber taking the action. If the bill passes, it is transmitted to the other house after adjournment for the day unless a notice of reconsideration is given on the day on which the bill is passed. Upon a notice of intent to move for reconsideration, the bill is held over one legislative day in the house for the consideration of a possible motion to reconsider the final vote on the bill. If the motion is not offered and carried, the bill is transmitted to the other house upon adjournment of the day's session.

After a bill has passed on third reading and been transmitted to the other house, the house of origin has relinquished control over the measure. To take further action on it, the house of origin must either petition the other chamber, through a concurrent resolution, to return the bill or wait until it has finally passed in the other house and is returned for final disposition.<sup>83</sup>

#### In the Other House and Conference Committees

Each bill must go through the entire process all over again when it is transmitted to the other house. If a bill is passed by the other house without amendment, it is sent back to the originating house for final *enrollment* (preparation for final printing by the Legislative Counsel) and delivery to the Governor. If the other house amends the bill, then it is necessary for the originating house to *concur* or not to concur with the amendments. If the originating house concurs in the amendments, the bill is ready for enrollment. If it does not concur and the other house does not recede from its

amendments, the bill must go to a conference committee, composed of an equal number of members from the Senate and the Assembly, for settlement of its final form.

# **Deadlines for Legislation**

Prior to each session, the Legislative Commission's Committee to Consult with the Director considers methods of improving the operation of the session.<sup>84</sup> The recommendations of the Committee to the next Legislature may affect many procedural rules, including limitations on the number of bills that may be requested; deadlines for the submission, introduction, and passage of legislation; and the procedure for obtaining waivers. These procedures are generally contained in the Joint Rules of the Senate and Assembly, which are adopted at the beginning of each session.<sup>85</sup> Appendix A provides an overview of the deadlines for introduction and passage of legislation.

Measures within the jurisdiction of the Senate Committee on Finance or the Assembly Committee on Ways and Means; bills required to carry out the business of the Legislature; and concurrent or simple resolutions are generally exempted from these limitations. Also exempt are emergency requests submitted by the Majority Leader of the Senate, the Speaker of the Assembly, and the Minority Leaders in the Senate and the Assembly.

# **Enrollment**

After a bill has passed both houses in identical form, it is transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate or the Chief Clerk of the Assembly (depending upon the house in which the bill originated) to the Legislative Counsel to be enrolled. The Legislative Counsel then prepares the passed bill for the final printing. It is inserted in a white cover, which contains blanks for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate, the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the Assembly, the Governor, and the Secretary of State. After final printing, the bill is returned to the Legislative Counsel, who compares the enrolled copy with the engrossed copy. If the enrolled bill is found to be correct, the Legislative Counsel presents the measure to the proper legislative officials for their signatures. The bill is then delivered by the Legislative Counsel, or that person's designee, to the Governor for consideration. Once the Governor signs the bill, it is delivered to the Secretary of State for permanent filing.

### **Gubernatorial Action**

The Governor has the choice of signing bills, vetoing bills, or allowing them to become law without his signature. If the bill is delivered to the Governor with more than five days remaining in the session, the Governor has five days to make a decision. If it is delivered to the Governor with less than five days remaining in the session or after the Legislature has adjourned *sine die*, the Governor has ten days after sine die to make this decision. The day of delivery and Sundays are not counted for purposes

of calculating these five- and ten-day periods. If the Governor vetoes a bill during the session, the measure is returned to the house of origin for further action, and the veto may be either sustained or overridden by a two-thirds vote of the elected members of each house. If the Governor vetoes a bill within ten days after adjournment (day of receipt and Sundays excepted), the bill must be filed, together with the specific objections to it, in the Office of the Secretary of State. When the next regular session of the Legislature convenes, the Secretary of State must present the vetoed bill to the house of origin for final disposition. If a two-thirds majority of the elected members of each house of the Legislature vote to override any gubernatorial veto on a recorded roll call vote, the measure becomes law despite the veto. If the Governor does not sign or veto a bill in the allotted time, it becomes law without that officer's signature.<sup>93</sup>

# Effective Date of the Bill

If no specific date is included in a bill to indicate when it will become effective (e.g., "This act shall become effective upon passage and approval" or "This act shall become effective May 1, 2011"), it automatically becomes effective on October 1 of the year in which the bill is passed (October 1, 2011, for this session of the Legislature).

# **Adoption or Passage of Resolutions**

The *Nevada Constitution* requires that bills and joint resolutions be processed and passed in an identical manner, 95 except that joint resolutions are delivered directly to the Secretary of State (not the Governor). Joint resolutions amending the *Constitution* are held by the Secretary of State and returned to the next chosen Legislature for reconsideration. 96 If the next Legislature approves the proposed constitutional amendment, it then must be submitted to the people "in such manner and at such time as the Legislature shall prescribe" for a vote. 97 The law currently requires that this opportunity to vote be at the next general election. 98

Concurrent resolutions must be adopted by both houses; they may be adopted by a voice vote, and only a majority of the members present are necessary for the adoption. Concurrent resolutions are not signed by the Governor and are delivered to the Secretary of State for filing.

Senate or Assembly one-house resolutions are adopted by a voice vote by a simple majority of the members present and are enrolled and delivered to the Secretary of State. A recorded vote is required to be taken for both concurrent and one-house resolutions if such is requested by three members present.<sup>99</sup>

#### **Petitions and Memorials**

From time to time, the Legislature is presented with petitions from various groups and individuals, as well as memorials from other legislatures. Although the essence

of these documents may vary from requests to take certain action to expressions of gratitude for courtesies extended, their contents are always made known to the chambers through a statement by the presiding officer or the legislator presenting the material. These nonlegislative petitions or memorials then lie on the table or are referred to committee as deemed appropriate by the chair or the chamber. 100

The right to petition for redress of grievances is a time-honored tradition of our system of government. It is one means by which citizens can voice their opinions on the course of public affairs and, on occasion, have a direct impact on the legislative process.

# Nonlegislative Initiatives to Change Statutes or the Nevada Constitution

Initiative petitions may be used to amend the *Nevada Constitution* and to enact a new statute or amend an existing law. An initiative petition to amend the *Nevada Constitution*, after the required number of signatures are gathered, is submitted directly to the voters at the next general election. If approved, it must be returned to the next general election for a second approval of the voters before the *Constitution* is officially amended.<sup>101</sup>

An initiative petition to enact a new statute or amend an existing law that receives the required number of signatures is transmitted by the Secretary of State to the Legislature as soon as it convenes in regular session. Such petitions are traditionally introduced in the Assembly. The petition must be enacted without change or rejected by the Legislature within 40 days. If the proposed statute or amendment to a statute is enacted by the Legislature and approved by the Governor, it becomes law. If it is rejected or is not acted upon by the Legislature within 40 days, the Secretary of State must submit the initiative question to the voters for approval or disapproval at the next general election.

After rejecting the proposed statute or amendment to a statute, the Legislature is authorized to propose an alternative measure on the same subject, which (if approved by the Governor) must also be submitted to the voters. If both provisions (the original initiative question and the alternative measure) are approved, the question receiving the largest number of affirmative votes becomes law. An initiative petition approved by the voters cannot be amended, annulled, repealed, set aside, or suspended by the Legislature within three years from the date it takes effect.<sup>102</sup>

# DISTINCTION AMONG TYPES OF LEGISLATION

Several types of bills and resolutions may be acted upon by the Nevada Legislature. Examples of these types of measures are presented in Appendix D of this manual.

#### Bill

A bill is a draft of a proposed statute, which, to become law, must be passed by both houses of the Legislature on roll call vote and be approved by the Governor.

# **Skeleton Bill**

Skeleton bills may be introduced when, in the opinion of the sponsor and the Legislative Counsel, the full drafting of the bill would entail extensive research or be of considerable length. Such a bill is a presentation of ideas or statements of purpose sufficient in style and expression to enable the Legislature and the committee to which the bill may be referred to consider the substantive merits of the legislation proposed. The committee, if it treats the skeleton bill favorably, must then request the drafting of a completed bill in such detail as would afford the committee the opportunity of considering the legislative ideas proposed in context with all their ramifications. <sup>103</sup>

# **Joint Resolution**

A joint resolution is passed by both houses in the same manner as a bill. Joint resolutions are used for the purpose of requesting Congress, the President, a federal agency, or members of Nevada's Congressional Delegation to perform some act believed to be in the best interests of the State or nation. The joint resolution is also employed to amend the *Nevada Constitution* and also to ratify an amendment to the *U.S. Constitution*. <sup>104</sup>

# **Concurrent Resolution**

A concurrent resolution must be adopted by both houses to amend the Joint Rules; express facts, principles, opinions, and purposes of the Senate and Assembly; establish joint committees of the two houses; direct the Legislative Commission to conduct interim studies; resolve that the return of a bill from the other house is necessary and appropriate; and request the return from the Governor of an enrolled bill. Other uses include memorializing a former member of the Legislature or other distinguished person upon death. <sup>105</sup> A concurrent resolution is acted upon by voice vote unless three members request a roll call vote.

#### **One-House Resolution**

Traditionally, a one-house (simple) resolution may be adopted by either house to establish its rules, express an opinion, appoint a committee, express regret on the death of a former member of the Legislature or other person, recognize a meritorious service, commemorate a special day or occasion, appoint attachés, or to provide postage and stationery money for the members. Except when three members request a roll call vote, a one-house resolution is acted upon by voice vote.

# ENDNOTES FOR CHAPTER III

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- <sup>2</sup> Nevada Constitution, Art. 4, Sec. 2.
- <sup>3</sup> Nevada Constitution, Art. 4, Sec. 33.
- <sup>4</sup> Nevada Constitution, Art. 5, Sec. 9.
- 5 Id
- <sup>6</sup> Nevada Constitution, Art. 4, Sec. 15.
- <sup>7</sup> Joint Rule No. 9, Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly, Nevada Legislature, 75th Session, 2009.
- <sup>8</sup> Nevada Constitution, Art. 5, Sec. 11.
- <sup>9</sup> Nevada Constitution, Art. 4, Sec. 6.
- Nevada Constitution, Art. 5, Sec. 17; Senate Standing Rule No. 31, Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly, Nevada Legislature, 75th Session, 2009.
- Senate Standing Rule No. 1, Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly, Nevada Legislature, 75th Session, 2009.
- <sup>12</sup> NRS 218A.500; and Senate Standing Rule No. 2, Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly, Nevada Legislature, 75th Session, 2009.
- <sup>13</sup> Nevada Constitution, Art. 5, Sec. 17.
- Senate Standing Rule No. 2, Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly, Nevada Legislature, 75th Session, 2009.
- NRS 218A.520; and Senate Standing Rule No. 3, Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly, Nevada Legislature, 75th Session, 2009.
- Senate Standing Rule No. 4, Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly, Nevada Legislature, 75th Session, 2009.
- <sup>17</sup> Senate Standing Rule No. 5, ibid.
- <sup>18</sup> NRS 218A.510 and 218A.540.
- <sup>19</sup> Assembly Standing Rule No. 1, Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly, Nevada Legislature, 75th Session, 2009.
- <sup>20</sup> NRS 223.080.
- <sup>21</sup> Joint Rule No. 15, Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly, Nevada Legislature, 75th Session, 2009.
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- <sup>24</sup> Id.
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- <sup>30</sup> Assembly Standing Rule No. 10, ibid.
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- 35 NRS 218A.400.
- <sup>36</sup> NRS 239C.260.
- <sup>37</sup> NRS 218D.050.
- 38 NRS 218D.290.
- 39 Nevada Constitution, Art. 4, Sec. 17.
- <sup>40</sup> NRS 218D.115 and 218D.175.
- <sup>41</sup> NRS 218D.190.
- <sup>42</sup> NRS 218D.115, 218D.205, 218D.210, 218D.105, and 218D.175.
- <sup>43</sup> NRS 218D.105.
- <sup>44</sup> NRS 218D 130.
- 45 NRS 218D.430 and 218D.435.
- <sup>46</sup> NRS 218D.415.
- <sup>47</sup> NRS 218D.810 and 293.250.
- <sup>48</sup> NRS 218D.430 and 218D.435.
- <sup>49</sup> NRS 218D.445.
- <sup>50</sup> NRS 218D.440.
- <sup>51</sup> NRS 218D.475.
- 52 NRS 218D.435 and 218D.480.
- 53 Nevada Constitution, Art. 4, Sec. 16.
- <sup>54</sup> Joint Rule No. 5, Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly, Nevada Legislature, 75th Session, 2009.
- <sup>55</sup> Joint Rule No. 14, ibid.
- 56 Ibid
- <sup>57</sup> Joint Rule No. 14.4, Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly, Nevada Legislature, 75th Session, 2009.
- <sup>58</sup> Joint Rule No. 14.2, ibid.
- <sup>59</sup> Nevada Constitution, Art. 4, Sec. 18.
- <sup>60</sup> Senate Standing Rule No. 109, Assembly Standing Rule No. 109, Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly, Nevada Legislature, 75th Session, 2009.
- 61 NRS 218D.600.
- 62 Senate Standing Rule No. 40, Assembly Standing Rule Nos. 40 and 41, Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly, Nevada Legislature, 75th Session, 2009.
- 63 Assembly Standing Rule No. 41, ibid.
- <sup>64</sup> Senate Standing Rule No. 90, Assembly Standing Rule No. 100, ibid.
- <sup>65</sup> Senate Standing Rule Nos. 46, 47, and 48, Assembly Standing Rule No. 44.5, ibid.
- <sup>66</sup> Joint Rule No. 1, ibid.
- 67 Senate Standing Rule No. 43, ibid.
- 68 Senate Standing Rule No. 50, ibid.
- <sup>69</sup> Assembly Standing Rule No. 52, ibid.
- <sup>70</sup> Senate Standing Rule No. 140, Assembly Standing Rule No. 140, ibid.
- <sup>71</sup> Senate Standing Rule No. 92, Assembly Standing Rule No. 92, ibid.
- Nevada Constitution, Art. 4, Sec. 18; Senate Standing Rule No. 110, Assembly Standing Rule No. 111, ibid.
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- 81 Senate Standing Rule No. 81, Assembly Standing Rule No. 82, ibid.
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- <sup>83</sup> Joint Rule No. 7, ibid.
- <sup>84</sup> NRS 218E.225.
- <sup>85</sup> Joint Rules of the Senate and Assembly, Nevada Legislature, 75th Session, 2009.
- <sup>86</sup> Joint Rule No. 14.6, Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly, Nevada Legislature, 75th Session, 2009.
- <sup>87</sup> Joint Rule No. 14.4, ibid.
- 88 NRS 218D.630.
- 89 NRS 218D.605
- NRS 218D.635; Joint Rule No. 4, Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly, Nevada Legislature, 75th Session, 2009.
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- <sup>92</sup> NRS 218D.655.
- 93 Nevada Constitution, Art. 4, Sec. 35; and NRS 218D.680 and 218D.685.
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- 96 NRS 218D.800.
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- 98 NRS 218D.800.
- <sup>99</sup> Senate Standing Rule No. 30, Assembly Standing Rule No. 30, Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly, Nevada Legislature, 75th Session, 2009.
- <sup>100</sup> Senate Standing Rule No. 97, Assembly Standing Rule No. 97, Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly, Nevada Legislature, 75th Session, 2009.
- <sup>101</sup> Nevada Constitution, Art. 19, Sec. 2.
- <sup>102</sup> Nevada Constitution, Art. 19, Secs. 2 and 3.
- <sup>103</sup> Senate Standing Rule No. 106, Assembly Standing Rule No. 106, Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly, Nevada Legislature, 75th Session, 2009.
- <sup>104</sup> Nevada Constitution, Art. 4, Sec. 18; and Joint Rule No. 7, Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly, Nevada Legislature, 75th Session, 2009; NRS 218D.805.
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# CHAPTER IV LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL BUREAU AND LEGISLATIVE BUILDING

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# THE LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL BUREAU

Legislative service agencies were created to free legislators from dependence upon the Executive Branch of State government and lobbyists for information and assistance. With service agencies, a legislator is not dependent upon a lobbyist or a Governor to draft a bill, research data, or provide information about other states with similar problems. The more professional and expert the service agency staff, the less legislators need to depend on sources of support that may be biased.

Many states, including Nevada, use the basic legislative council pattern providing for a body composed of legislators from each house and from each party empowered to function during the interim between sessions. Powers and responsibilities vary among the states, but basically councils carry out functions assigned by the full legislatures. These functions range from simple administrative duties to extensive power of legislative oversight, policy research, and emergency appropriations.

Although many states maintain separate staff for each house in addition to partisan staff, the Legislative Counsel Bureau is a nonpartisan centralized agency serving both houses and members of all political parties.

In March of 1945, the Nevada Legislature recognized a need for more information and assistance in order to deal with increasingly complex tasks as described in the *preamble* to the bill creating the Legislative Counsel Bureau:

At each biennial session of the legislature, that body is confronted by requests for legislation expanding and changing the functions of and increasing the appropriations of numerous offices, departments, institutions, and agencies of the state government; and . . . not withstanding the information provided by the messages and budgets of the governor and the reports of public officers, it is impossible for the legislature or its committees to secure sufficient information to act advisedly on such requests in the time limited for its sessions. <sup>1</sup>

The 1945 law establishing the Bureau charged it with assisting the Legislature to find facts concerning government, proposed legislation, and various other public matters.<sup>2</sup>

During the next several years, the duties of the Bureau and its staff were modified and expanded. In 1963, the Nevada Legislature reorganized the Legislative Counsel Bureau, giving it structure and responsibilities similar to those it has today.<sup>3</sup> One part

of this change was the incorporation of the Statute Revision Commission into the Legislative Counsel Bureau as the Legal Division. The Statute Revision Commission was originally created by the Supreme Court in 1951 and became involved in bill drafting as an adjunct to its statute revision work. The 1963 legislation also added a Fiscal and Auditing Division and a Research Division.<sup>4</sup>

Today, the Legislative Counsel Bureau consists of the Legislative Commission, an Interim Finance Committee, a Director, an Audit Division, a Fiscal Analysis Division, a Legal Division, a Research Division, and an Administrative Division. <sup>5</sup> The following sections describe activities of these units.

# **Legislative Commission**

The Legislative Commission consists of 12 legislators who exercise general policymaking and supervising authority over the operations of the Legislative Counsel Bureau. At every regular session of the Legislature, the Senate and the Assembly each designate six members and alternates for those members to serve on the Commission. The Legislature is required to determine, by joint rule at each regular session in odd-numbered years: (1) the method of determining the majority and minority party regular and alternate membership on the Commission; (2) the method of filling vacancies on the Commission; (3) the terms of office of the Commission members; (4) the method of selecting the Chair; and (5) the term of office of the Chair.<sup>6</sup> These provisions are currently enumerated in Joint Rule No. 11.

Members of the Legislative Commission serve until their successors are appointed. However, retiring legislators or those who have been defeated for reelection serve only until the day after the general election. The resulting vacancies are filled in the same manner as vacancies arising from other causes.<sup>7</sup>

For each day's attendance at a meeting of the Legislative Commission or while engaged in official Legislative Counsel Bureau business, Commission members receive a salary of approximately \$146 plus the standard per diem and travel allowances. An alternate who attends a meeting of the Commission but does not replace a regular member is entitled to travel expenses but not salary.<sup>8</sup>

The Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau acts as the nonvoting recording secretary of the Legislative Commission, which meets periodically, as the accumulation of business requires, on call of the Chair, or by decision of a majority of the Commission. Seven members of the Commission constitute a quorum.<sup>9</sup>

The Legislative Commission is designated by law as Nevada's Commission on Interstate Cooperation. In this capacity, the Commission is charged with the responsibility of working with The Council of State Governments and the National Conference of State Legislatures to exchange ideas and information with

other states, so that the Legislature may have the benefit of the latest thinking on matters falling within its purview. Nevada is a member of The Council of State Governments and the National Conference of State Legislatures, and its annual dues for membership in these organizations are paid by the Commission out of the Legislative Fund.<sup>10</sup> The Commission also pays membership dues to the American Legislative Exchange Council.

The Commission, which is designed to assist the Legislature in maintaining its independent and coordinate status with the Executive and Judicial Branches of State government, may investigate and inquire into any area within the competence of the Legislature. Normally, the investigative responsibilities of the Commission are delegated to subcommittees of the Commission, which are assisted by the staff of the Legislative Counsel Bureau. When it holds hearings, the Commission is required to receive recommendations and suggestions for legislation or investigation from State and local governments, officers, and legislators, and may receive recommendations and suggestions from specified private groups or any citizens desiring to report to it.<sup>11</sup> It also has subpoena power and may compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents necessary to the discharge of its duties.<sup>12</sup>

The Commission appoints the Nevada representatives to the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws<sup>13</sup> and other interstate bodies; formulates proposals for interstate compacts and agreements; and in general, facilitates Nevada's contacts with the federal government, the other states, and local units of government.<sup>14</sup>

Between sessions of the Legislature, the Legislative Commission fixes the work priority of all studies and investigations assigned to it by concurrent resolutions of the Legislature. Normally, such studies are carried out by subcommittees of the Commission or Bureau staff under the direction and supervision of the Commission. The Commission may, between sessions, authorize the initiation of additional studies or investigations not specifically requested by the Legislature at the preceding session. <sup>15</sup>

#### **Interim Finance Committee**

In 1969, the Legislature created the Interim Finance Committee to function within the Legislative Counsel Bureau between sessions and administer a Contingency Fund. This fund was set up for emergency use by State agencies to supplement regular appropriations which fail to cover unforeseen expenses when the Legislature is not in session. To obtain funds, agencies must submit their requests to the State Board of Examiners for review and recommendation. If the Board finds sufficient justification for the requests submitted to it, it must make a recommendation to the Interim Finance Committee by transmitting it to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau, who is required to notify the Chair of the Interim Finance Committee. Upon receiving the recommendation, the Chair of the Committee must call a meeting to act upon the agency requests. The Interim Finance Committee is not bound to follow the

recommendation of the State Board of Examiners. The Committee, by resolution, may allocate an amount for the purposes requested. In authorizing an allocation, the Committee directs the State Controller to transfer the approved amount from the Contingency Fund Account to the appropriate agency account.<sup>16</sup>

The Interim Finance Committee also reviews State agency requests to accept certain gifts and grants, to modify legislatively approved budgets, and to reclassify State merit system positions in certain circumstances. State agencies must receive prior approval of the Interim Finance Committee before they: (1) accept federal grants in excess of \$100,000; (2) accept gifts or donations of a monetary value over \$10,000; (3) accept gifts or grants that involve the hiring of new employees; (4) amend legislatively approved budgets in an amount more than \$20,000, when considered with previous changes, or increase or decrease a budget category by the lesser of 10 percent or \$50,000; or (5) convert or reclassify a merit system position to another type of position when this conversion significantly changes the job scope or job duties of the position as budgeted by the Legislature.<sup>17</sup>

The Interim Finance Committee, when the Legislature is not in session, must also approve any change in the scope of the design or construction of a capital improvement project authorized by the Legislature if the change increases or decreases the total square footage or cost of the project by 10 percent or more.<sup>18</sup>

The Interim Finance Committee is composed of members of the Senate Committee on Finance and the Assembly Committee on Ways and Means from the preceding session. Chairmanship of the Interim Finance Committee alternates between immediate past chairmen of the two legislative committees. Membership on the committee terminates on the day next after the general election for any legislator who retires or is defeated for reelection.<sup>19</sup>

In voting on matters before the Interim Finance Committee, a vote is taken of the Senate and Assembly members separately. No action can be taken unless a majority of both groups votes in the affirmative.<sup>20</sup>

#### Director

The Director functions as the executive head of the Legislative Counsel Bureau and supervises all of its daily administrative and technical activities.<sup>21</sup> The Legislative Commission appoints the Director and sets the compensation for the position. The Director, in turn, appoints the chiefs of the Divisions, subject to the approval of the Legislative Commission.<sup>22</sup>

The Director employs staff for the Bureau at salaries within the limits of legislative appropriations and the salary schedule approved by the Legislative Commission and authorizes claims against the Legislative Fund.<sup>23</sup> In that capacity, the Director signs checks for the Bureau's payroll and for the Special Account for Intergovernmental

Activities and makes the necessary deductions and contributions for legislators' retirement.<sup>24</sup> Other duties and responsibilities are discussed in the section on the Administrative Division.

The Director is also required to report inventory and purchases of supplies for each session and to assign space in and supervise the upkeep of the Legislative Building, other buildings used for legislative purposes, and the legislative grounds.<sup>25</sup> With the authorization of the Legislative Commission, the Director may enter into agreements for the acquisition of property necessary to support the Legislature and its staff.<sup>26</sup>

The Director is given the statutory responsibility of registering lobbyists.<sup>27</sup> This responsibility includes duties regarding identification badges, statements, reports, and investigations.

In addition, the Director serves as Secretary to the Legislative Commission, the Interim Finance Committee, and various other legislative committees.<sup>28</sup> He also provides a secretary for the Interim Retirement and Benefits Committee and the Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste.<sup>29</sup>

The Director must consult with a standing committee of the Legislative Commission concerning the general management, organization, and function of the Legislative Counsel Bureau and the necessary preparations for the next regular legislative session.<sup>30</sup>

#### **Audit Division**

The Audit Division performs audits of the Executive and Judicial Branches of State government.<sup>31</sup> At the direction of the Legislative Commission, the Audit Division may also conduct audits of an entity which is not an agency of the State, but which receives an appropriation of public money.<sup>32</sup> The audits furnish independent and factual information to assist the Legislature in the discharge of its constitutional duties.<sup>33</sup> All audits are conducted in accordance with generally accepted governmental auditing standards.<sup>34</sup> The objective of each audit varies depending on the nature of the agency, but generally include determining one or more of the following:

- Whether the agency has established effective management control systems to ensure resources are safeguarded against waste, loss, or misuse; appropriate goals and objectives are met; and reliable data are obtained, maintained, and fairly disclosed.
- 2. Whether the agency can improve efficiency or operate programs more effectively.
- 3. Whether the agency has complied with applicable laws and regulations.

- 4. Whether appropriate information technology security controls are in place to protect sensitive information against unauthorized use.
- 5. Whether the agency's financial statements or other financial reports are fairly presented. 35

The Legislative Commission approves the biennial audit program of the Legislative Auditor and can direct the Auditor to make any special audit or investigation considered necessary.<sup>36</sup> The Legislature itself may also direct the Legislative Auditor to conduct special audits or investigations.

All State agencies must provide the Audit Division with any books, accounts, claims, reports, vouchers, or other records of information, confidential or otherwise, requested by the Legislative Auditor for inspection.<sup>37</sup>

Written audit reports, including the agency's response, are presented to the Audit Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission. Copies are made available to all members of the Legislature and other appropriate State officers. The results of the audits are confidential and may not be disclosed until the audit report is presented to the Audit Subcommittee.<sup>38</sup>

If evidence is found of improper practices of financial administration or inadequacy of fiscal records, the Legislative Auditor must report these practices immediately to the Governor, each member of the Legislature, the head of the agency, and, if illegal transactions are involved, the Attorney General.<sup>39</sup>

Sixty days after an audit report becomes a public document, the agency audited must file a report outlining a plan of action to implement the recommendations. Six months later, a status report must be filed indicating what recommendations in the audit report have been implemented, what recommendations have not been implemented, and the reason why they have not been implemented.<sup>40</sup>

The Audit Division is headed by the Legislative Auditor, who must be a certified public accountant or public accountant qualified to practice public accounting in Nevada. Minimum qualifications include five years of progressively responsible experience in governmental accounting and auditing and a comprehensive knowledge of the principles and practices of public budgeting, governmental accounting, finance, auditing standards, statistical methods, and operational analysis.<sup>41</sup> The Legislative Auditor serves as Secretary to the Audit Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission.<sup>42</sup>

The Legislative Auditor also oversees the State's Single Audit required by Public Law No. 104-156, the Federal Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996. 43 This audit, conducted by a qualified accounting firm under contract with the Legislative Auditor, ensures the continuation of the State's federal funding. Additionally, the Legislative Auditor must count the money in the State Treasury at least annually. 44

The Legislative Auditor prepares a biennial report for the members of the Legislature and the Governor, which summarizes the results of audits performed and recommends actions to improve the operations of government.<sup>45</sup>

Copies of the annual audit reports on professional boards and commissions are required to be filed with the Legislative Auditor. Such audit reports received are enumerated in a special report issued every six months. If a contract audit is performed on a State agency, a copy of the report also must be furnished to the Legislative Auditor. The contract audit is performed on a State agency, a copy of the report also must be furnished to the Legislative Auditor.

Beginning July 1, 2007, the Legislative Auditor is required to review certain information concerning any child who has had contact with or who has been in the custody of an agency which provides child welfare services and who suffers a fatality or near fatality. The information is reviewed to determine whether the case was handled in a manner consistent with State and federal law and to determine whether any procedures could have assisted in preventing the fatality or near fatality.<sup>48</sup> The Legislative Auditor is also required to release certain information concerning such children upon request if a child welfare agency refuses to do so.<sup>49</sup>

During the 2007 Legislative Session, Assembly Bill 629 (Chapter 348, *Statutes of Nevada*) passed requiring the Legislative Auditor to conduct reviews, audits, and unannounced visits of residential children's facilities. This requirement, incorporated into Chapter 218G of the NRS in 2009, includes governmental and private facilities. The reviews and audits determine whether the facilities protect the children's health, safety, and welfare as well as respect their civil and other rights.<sup>50</sup>

# **Legal Division**

The Legal Division drafts bills and resolutions, issues legal opinions, provides committee counsel to all interim studies and certain standing legislative committees, reviews and approves or revises administrative regulations, and provides certain other assistance when requested.<sup>51</sup> The Legal Division also is responsible for the preparation and publication of supplements, annotations and indexes to the NRS, and several compilations of selected portions of NRS.<sup>52</sup> The staff produces an electronic version of the statutes and other publications titled the *Official Nevada Law Library* which is available on CD-ROM. The Division also is responsible for the production and distribution of the *Nevada Administrative Code* (NAC) and the *Register of Administrative Regulations*.<sup>53</sup> In conjunction with its publications program, the Legal Division also operates the State Printing Office and the Nevada Legislative Gift Shop. The State Printing Office serves the printing needs of the Judicial and Executive Branches of government, in addition to the Legislative Branch.

The Legal Division is headed by the Legislative Counsel, who must be an attorney licensed to practice law in one of the United States. The Legislative Counsel must be familiar with political science, parliamentary practice, legislative procedure, and

methods of research, statute revision, and bill drafting.<sup>54</sup> The Legislative Counsel is one of Nevada's Commissioners on Uniform State Laws.<sup>55</sup>

The Legislative Counsel is the legal adviser to the Legislative Branch of government, providing legal counsel for legislative committees and subcommittees and issuing legal opinions, which may influence the construction and application of statutes. On the direction of the Legislative Commission, the Legislative Counsel or attorney staff may appear in, commence, prosecute, defend, or intervene in any action, suit, or other judicial or administrative proceeding to protect the official interests of the Legislature or any of its committees. The Legislative Counsel only issues opinions upon the request of a member or committee of the Legislature, the Legislative Commission, or the Director or another Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau. The opinions of the Legislative Counsel do not have any binding force but are intended to guide public officials in the absence of an authoritative decision rendered by a court of law.

Upon request, the Legal Division drafts legislative measures for members of the Legislature, State agencies and departments, the Governor, certain local governments, members of the judiciary, and other entities authorized by specific statute. However, the Division cannot prepare any measures proposed by the Executive Branch unless a request has been approved by the Governor and is received on or before September 1 preceding the convening of a session. Proposed legislation from a county, school district, or city also must be approved by the appropriate governing body and submitted to the Legislative Counsel on or before September 1.58 The preparation of bills and resolutions entails research into the legal effect of proposed changes in existing laws, the development of sufficient background information to enable the bill drafter and the legislative sponsor to understand fully the ramifications of the suggested legislation, and the actual drafting of the measures in proper form and style.

The staff of the Legal Division, as well as other officers and employees of the Legislative Counsel Bureau, is prohibited from urging or opposing any legislation and is bound to observe the confidentiality of all matters within the work assigned unless those matters have become public records or the sponsor has granted consent for release.<sup>59</sup>

Before introduction, every request for a bill must be delivered to the Legal Division to be put in the proper form. All bills or resolutions of both houses designated for reprinting, engrossment, reengrossment, and enrollment must be routed directly through the Legal Division so that adopted amendments may be inserted prior to engrossment or enrollment.<sup>60</sup>

The staff of the Legal Division performs engrossing and enrolling for the Legislature. Whenever a bill or resolution has passed both houses of the Legislature, the measure is transmitted to the Legislative Counsel for enrollment, at which time a receipt must be issued to the Secretary of the Senate or the Chief Clerk of

the Assembly bearing the date of delivery. When the measure is delivered to the Governor, the Legislative Counsel must note this fact over the Legislative Counsel's signature as a part of the bill's history.<sup>61</sup> The official engrossed bill is then delivered to the Secretary of State.<sup>62</sup> The Legislative Counsel also makes recommendations to the Legislature for the clarification of specific statutes, the elimination of obsolete sections of NRS, and the resolution of conflicting portions of the law.<sup>63</sup> The Legislative Counsel is responsible for revising NRS and all other authorized publications of the Legislative Counsel Bureau. Additional responsibilities of the Legislative Counsel include indexing NRS, *Statutes of Nevada*, and other publications and legal materials of the Legislative Counsel Bureau.

The Legal Division is also responsible for reviewing and revising all regulations adopted by the agencies of the Executive Branch, except those exempted from the Nevada Administrative Procedure Act, to determine which provisions are current and arrange them in logical sequence. Every proposed regulation must also be examined and revised, if necessary, to fit into the existing regulations. The Legal Division also codifies all adopted regulations that have been approved by the Legislative Commission in the NAC. The code is designed to present the regulations in clear and concise language and make those on a particular subject easy to find. The Legislative Counsel also provides legal advice to the Legislative Commission in its review of adopted administrative regulations for compliance with legislative intent.<sup>64</sup>

The Legislative Counsel hires and directs the staff of attorneys and other members of the Legal Division engaged in the legal work of the Bureau.

# STATE PRINTING OFFICE

Nevada State Printing was transferred from the Executive Branch of State government to the Legal Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau on July 1, 2003. The State Printing Office is located to the east of the Legislative Building and parking garage on the corner of Stewart and Fifth Streets. This building houses the State Printing Office and some offices of the Legal Division. In addition, the south portion of the building houses the Warehouse, Training Room, and several offices of the Administrative Division. The State Printing Office provides diverse printing, finishing, and binding services to all State of Nevada agencies. The mission of the State Printing Office is to produce and publish high-quality graphics, text, and forms in an economical and timely manner, and to provide the best value possible for all state agencies of Nevada. The State Printing Office also provides printing services to local governments.

#### **Research Division**

The Research Division is the general information and service arm of the Legislature. It conducts research into a wide variety of subjects at the request of legislators, legislative committees, other State and local officials, and citizens of Nevada. It also responds to inquiries concerning Nevada's government, laws, and public policy issues from residents, counterpart agencies, and public officials in other states.

Most of the statutory duties of the Division and its director are described in NRS 218F.810. These responsibilities include:

- Providing the Legislature, its members, and committees with research, information, and assistance concerning public policy, including proposed or possible legislation, and national, state, and local issues of interest to the State of Nevada and its political subdivisions.
- 2. Providing staff to standing and interim committees as assigned by the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau, the Legislature, or the Legislative Commission.
- 3. Providing the Legislature and its members and committees with comprehensive, accurate reports and background information on subjects of legislative interest.
- Analyzing, comparing, and evaluating the programs and statutory provisions of the State of Nevada and other states.
- 5. Advising the Legislature and its members and committees regarding matters relating to the resources and procedures necessary to conduct research.
- Preparing publications relating to the Legislature and the Legislative Counsel Bureau.
- 7. Managing the Research Library of the Legislative Counsel Bureau.
- 8. Providing information and assistance to the Legislature and its members and committees concerning the apportionment of legislative districts and any other political districts, the boundaries of which are determined by the Legislature.
- 9. Performing such other functions as may be assigned by the Legislature, the Legislative Commission, or the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau.<sup>65</sup>
- 10. Working with the Legal and Fiscal Analysis Divisions to prepare ballot language regarding proposed constitutional amendments and other statewide measures, which, if approved by the Legislature, must be voted on by the people.<sup>66</sup>

The Research Director, or a designee, is the nonvoting recording secretary and primary technical staff person of the Legislative Committee on Public Lands,<sup>67</sup> and the Division also provides primary legislative staff support to the ongoing statutory committees which in past interims have included the Committees on Education; Health Care; High-Level Radioactive Waste; the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and Marlette Lake Water System; Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults With Special Needs; the Commission on Special License Plates; and the Legislative Committee to Oversee the Western Regional Water Commission.

The general function of the Research Division is to provide information and services to the Nevada Legislature and its members. Its major responsibility is to prepare responses to requests from individual legislators for information, analysis, and assistance at any time, regardless of whether or not the Legislature is in session. Assistance with constituent concerns is also available through the Division's Constituent Services Unit.

During the months prior to the legislative session, the Division prepares the *Legislative Manual* as required under NRS 218F.400. The Division also prepares fact sheets and research briefs on issues likely to be prominent during the legislative session, policy and program reports on State government, and a publication titled *Guide to the Nevada Legislature*.

During legislative sessions, Research Division personnel serve as policy analysts for all standing committees except the appropriations and revenue committees, which are served by the Fiscal Analysis Division. Research staff assist the chairs and other members by providing information and research on bills and related matters under consideration by the committees. Division policy analysts also summarize each measure passed out of committees to which they are assigned. In addition to committee work, research staff assist individual legislators in developing ideas for legislation and preparing bill analyses.

Following the legislative session, the Research Division summarizes each enacted measure and compiles the *Summary of Legislation*. The Division also prepares a comprehensive presentation titled *The Nevada Legislature: Review of Legislative Actions on State Issues* (also known as the "End of Session Speech"), which describes legislative activities by subject area for each regular session and certain special sessions.

During the period between sessions, the staff of the Research Division is assigned to interim study and ongoing statutory committees. The staff members prepare background material for the committees, arrange committee hearings, and prepare each committee's final report to the Legislative Commission. The recommendations from all the interim studies are compiled in the *Summary Bulletin*, which also is prepared by the Research Division

The research staff is available to individual legislators to conduct research and prepare written analyses on specific topics throughout the year. The staff also assists legislators to prepare for speeches and other public presentations, if they are not related to election campaigns or partisan activities. In addition to assisting legislators, the Division answers requests for information from State agencies, legislative staff in other states, businesses, legislative constituents, and the general public.

The Research Library provides materials and services in support of legislative research. Library collections include current and past *Nevada Revised Statutes, Statutes of Nevada, Journals of the Senate and Assembly, Bill Indexes and Histories,* bills and reprints, and legislative committee minutes and exhibits. The Library includes studies and reports from federal, State, and professional organizations that have a bearing on potential legislation. The reference collection includes many directories and books of statistical or comparative data. The Research Library also maintains subject files of research analysis prepared by the Division staff. A professional library staff, utilizing print and electronic sources, assists in locating information pertaining to legislative or general issues. Staff also compiles a bibliographic database of books, journal articles, legislative histories, pamphlets, reports, and research memoranda. The Library website (http://www.leg.state.nv.us/division/research/library) provides extensive legislative history information, links to compiled legislative history packets, an online catalog, legislator database, and links to key informational sources.

In summary, the primary function of the Research Division is to provide Nevada legislators and others with basic services and all types of information regarding legislative issues that are not specifically fiscal or legal in nature.

# **Fiscal Analysis Division**

The Fiscal Analysis Division provides the Legislature with the capability for independent review and analysis of budgetary and fiscal matters. It examines the *Executive Budget* and suggests possible changes, provides expenditure and revenue projections to aid the legislative money committees, and assists the Legislature to interpret factual data related to the fiscal aspects of the operation of State and local government.

Other duties of the Fiscal Analysis Division include: (1) analyzing the past history and probable future trends of the State's financial position so that a sound fiscal policy may be developed and maintained; (2) analyzing appropriations bills, revenue bills, and bills having a fiscal impact upon the operation of the government of the State of Nevada or its political subdivisions; (3) thoroughly examining all agencies of the State with special regard to their activities and the duplication of efforts between them; and (4) ascertaining facts and making recommendations to the Legislature concerning the budget of the State and the estimates of expenditure requirements of the agencies of the State.<sup>68</sup>

After each legislative session, the Division prepares and publishes *The Appropriations Report*, which describes in some detail the fiscal actions of the Legislature, all appropriation and authorization acts, and changes to the State tax and revenue structure. This publication highlights legislative budget actions and serves as a valuable reference document.

Because of the critical importance of adequate financial data on which to base legislative decisions, the Fiscal Analysis Division is an indispensable adjunct of the Legislature. The services it provides help the Legislature to set economically sound policies for the State, anticipate future needs, and objectively analyze budgetary requests submitted to it.

#### **Administrative Division**

The Administrative Division provides support to the other Divisions of the Legislative Counsel Bureau and to the Legislature. The Division is responsible for accounting; communications equipment; videoconferencing; control of inventory; data processing and information systems; janitorial services; maintenance of buildings; maintenance of legislative grounds and vehicles; purchasing; legislative police; shipping and receiving; utilities; the Las Vegas Office of the Legislative Counsel Bureau; and warehouse operations. The Operations Manager oversees the units of the Administrative Division that are based in Carson City, and the Legislative Services Officer oversees the Las Vegas Office.<sup>69</sup>

The Director of the Division is the ex officio Legislative Fiscal Officer and maintains a complete set of accounting records and reports for all legislative operations. The payroll records for all legislators and employees of the Legislative Branch of government are maintained by the Director.<sup>70</sup>

#### **Summary**

The staff services of the Legislative Counsel Bureau are furnished throughout the year for any legislator. Legal advice, fiscal information, and background research are furnished upon request. Services of a more extensive nature are executed when the Legislature so orders by means of a law or resolution. Between sessions, such projects may be requested through the Legislative Commission.

#### **FACILITIES AND SERVICES**

Legislative staff and services are located in four separate facilities: the Sedway Office Building, the State Printing Office, and the Legislative Building in Carson City; and the Grant Sawyer State Office Building in Las Vegas.

#### **Legislative Counsel Bureau Offices**

(A more detailed directory of Legislative Counsel Bureau staff is included in the "Directory of State and Local Government" at the end of the *Legislative Manual*.)

Director's Office and Administrative Division—Legislative Building, (775) 684-6800
 Director—Lorne J. Malkiewich
 Las Vegas Office—555 East Washington Avenue, Room 4400, (702) 486-2800
 Legislative Services Officer—Brian L. Davie

Audit Division—Sedway Office Building, Second Floor, (775) 684-6815 Legislative Auditor—Paul V. Townsend

Fiscal Analysis Division—Sedway Office Building, Third Floor, (775) 684-6821
Fiscal Analyst (Senate)—Mark Krmpotic
Fiscal Analyst (Assembly)—Rick Combs

Legal Division—Legislative Building, First Floor, (775) 684-6830
Legislative Counsel—Brenda J. Erdoes
State Printing Office—301 South Stewart Street, (775) 684-6950
Manager—Kevin R. Honkomp

Research Division—Sedway Office Building, First Floor, (775) 684-6825
Research Director—Donald O. Williams

#### SEDWAY OFFICE BUILDING

The Sedway Office Building is located southeast of the Legislative Building on the corner of Fifth and Stewart Streets. This three-story structure houses the Legislative Library and the offices of the Audit, Fiscal Analysis, and Research Divisions.

#### LAS VEGAS OFFICE

The Legislative Counsel Bureau is located in the Grant Sawyer State Office Building at 555 East Washington Avenue in Room 4400. The Las Vegas Office provides videoconference capabilities, furnishes legislative information, allows access to all Legislative Counsel Bureau staff services, and manages individual and committee meeting space for the Legislature in the facility. The office also contains a library area, which is open to the public, with legislative reference material and a computer to access the Legislature's website. The floor plan of the Las Vegas Office may be found in Appendix H.

#### LEGISLATIVE BUILDING

Located on the Legislative Mall, which covers an area of seven former city blocks south of the Capitol, the Legislative Building contains 180,000 usable square feet and facilities for the Legislature and the Legislative Counsel Bureau. Included within the

building are equipment and accommodations for the public and the Legislature, which make the building one of the finest in the nation for its purpose. The Administrative and Legal Divisions of the Legislative Counsel Bureau are located on the first floor of the Legislative Building. The building was constructed following the 1969 Legislative Session and remodeled and substantially expanded following the 1995 Session. The floor plan of the Legislative Building may be found in Appendix H.

#### TELEPHONE COMMUNICATIONS

Three basic types of telephone communications services are available in the Legislative Building:

- 1. Legislative Telephone Service;
- 2. State Legislative Message Center; and
- 3. Courtesy Phone.

#### **Legislative Telephone Service**

The area code for all areas of the State except Clark County is 775. In Clark County, the area code is 702. Legislators may place calls directly from their offices on a 24-hour per day basis. Long-distance calls to areas inside and outside the State may be placed as follows:

Dial 9 (dial tone)

Dial 1

Dial area code

Dial seven-digit number

Long-distance calls made from legislators' offices are automatically billed to their office telephone number. To make special calls (credit card, collect, 800, and non-seven-digit numbers) the caller must dial 9 to obtain an outside line before placing these types of calls.

#### State Legislative Message Center

If a legislator's telephone is not answered by the third ring, the call will be forwarded to voice mail. If the person does not wish to leave a message on voice mail, the caller may dial 0 and the call is transferred to the Message Center. All messages for legislators taken by the Message Center are electronically mailed to the legislators' offices. Emergency messages are delivered directly to either the Sergeant at Arms or the legislators' secretaries.

The Message Center is also provided as a public service for the convenience of the general public for receiving telephone calls during the legislative session. The Message Center is open daily on the days the Legislature is in session from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m., and its number is (775) 684-6789. The Message Center may also be called toll-free from Las Vegas by dialing 486-2626 or from other Nevada areas by dialing (800) 978-2878 or (800) 995-9080 or (800) 992-0973.

#### **Courtesy Phone**

A courtesy phone for local and credit card calls is available on the first floor of the Legislative Building for use by the general public.

#### Billing of Legislators for Telephone Service

Each legislator receives a \$2,800 telephone allowance during a regular session to defray telephone charges incurred in the performance of official duties. Each member is responsible for the payment of telephone bills incurred in the Legislative Building.

Legislators are billed for long-distance calls made from their office telephones on a monthly basis by the Accounting Unit of the Legislative Counsel Bureau. Charges for calls made on the least-cost routing system are based on time and distance. Questions about telephone billing should be discussed with the Accounting Unit at (775) 684-6805. Payment of a legislator's State telephone bill should be made to:

Legislative Counsel Bureau Accounting Unit 401 South Carson Street Carson City, Nevada 89701-4747

#### **Toll-Free Services for Constituents**

Several information services are available to constituents.

#### LONG-DISTANCE CALLS TO LEGISLATORS

Constituents outside the local calling area may make toll-free calls to their legislators from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. by dialing (800) 992-0973 for all of Nevada. A toll-free fax number is also available by dialing (866) 543-9941. The local fax number is (775) 684-6811. Las Vegas area callers may also dial 486-2626. All calls will be put through to the legislator's secretary. If the telephone is not answered by the third ring, the call will forward to voice mail. If the person does not wish to leave a message on voice mail, the caller may dial 0 to be transferred to the Message Center. All messages for legislators taken by the Message Center are electronically mailed to the legislators' offices. Emergency messages are delivered directly to either the Sergeant at Arms or the legislator's secretary.

#### PUBLIC POINT OF VIEW

Constituents calling legislators to register their point of view on a particular measure or topic for which a poll is being conducted may dial toll-free from anywhere within the State. The toll-free number to dial is: (800) 995-9080. People calling from Las Vegas may dial 486-2626. Constituents in the local calling area (Carson City, Crystal Bay/Incline Village, Dayton, Gardnerville, Minden, Reno, Sparks, and Virginia City) may dial (775) 684-6789. Constituents may also register their point of view online at http://www.leg.state.nv.us and then clicking on the "Share Your Opinion" link.

#### POSTAL SERVICE

All mail is routed through the General Services Unit of the Legislative Counsel Bureau. Each house of the Legislature independently provides for the distribution of mail to its own members.

#### FIRE AND EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

The Legislative Building, Sedway Office Building, and State Printing Office are equipped with a smoke- and heat-detecting fire alarm system. Should sufficient heat or smoke be detected by the sensors, the fire alarm will activate automatically. Whenever the alarm bell sounds, do not assume that the alarm is only a drill. Evacuation of the buildings must begin immediately. In addition to the fire systems, the Legislative Police have the ability to use an emergency public address system and/or a computer messaging system to send an emergency message to all users in the buildings. The Legislative Police will use the best method(s) available to notify occupants of an emergency or evacuation.

Evacuation should be completed as rapidly as possible and without panic. When the alarm sounds, elevators will be called to the first floor and locked down. Do not use elevators! Evacuation will be by stairways only. There are numerous stairways throughout the buildings. Employees should be familiar with the stairway closest to their work space. Evacuate by the stairway nearest you if you can do this safely.

Evacuation maps of the Legislative and Sedway Office Buildings and the State Printing Office are posted throughout those buildings. Locate the map nearest your location and familiarize yourself with the route.

The following procedure applies when an employee detects a fire prior to the alarm sounding. If the fire cannot be put out with fire extinguishers located on each floor throughout the buildings:

- 1. Notify the Legislative Police at 684-6812 and report the exact location of the fire.
- 2. Pull the nearest fire alarm switch and proceed with evacuation as noted above.
- 3. Close doors behind you as you exit the building.

All Fires, No Matter How Small, Must Be Reported.

Reentry into the building will not be allowed until the fire department has determined it is safe to do so. Legislative Police will notify employees when it is safe to reenter the building.

#### **Emergency Telephone Numbers (From Within the Building)**

Legislative Police	4-6812
First Aid	4-6812
Fire	9 + 911
Ambulance	9 + 911
Sheriff	9 + 911
Senate Sergeant at Arms	4-3558
Assembly Sergeant at Arms	4-8525
Emergency Coordinator: Robert (Bob) Milby, Chief, Legislative Police	4-6812

After Calling for Ambulance or Other Emergency Equipment, Notify Legislative Police.

The Legislative Police are trained and certified to respond to situations requiring medical first aid. Please notify the Legislative Police when an emergency occurs. Describe the situation completely so that officers can respond with the proper personnel and equipment. Advise the Legislative Police if an ambulance or other emergency equipment has already been requested. Some locations in our buildings may be hard to locate. The Legislative Police are required to meet the fire department or ambulance and provide the first responders the quickest route to the emergency.

#### DIRECTORY OF COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE

A directory of community services available throughout the State is located at the Legislative Police Office. The directory contains information on a variety of topics, including the following: alcohol and drug abuse, child abuse, child care, elderly care, financial assistance, health care, legal services, parenting, psychological services, and sexually transmitted diseases.

#### ENDNOTES FOR CHAPTER IV

- <sup>1</sup> Chapter 91, Statutes of Nevada 1945, 136 and 137.
- <sup>2</sup> Id. 136
- <sup>3</sup> Chapter 403, Statutes of Nevada 1963, 1011.
- <sup>4</sup> Id., 1014.
- <sup>5</sup> NRS 218F.100.
- <sup>6</sup> NRS 218E.150.
- <sup>7</sup> Joint Rule No. 11, Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly, Nevada Legislature, 75th Session, 2009.
- <sup>8</sup> NRS 218A.630 and 218E.160.
- <sup>9</sup> NRS 218E.155.
- <sup>10</sup> NRS 218E.180.
- <sup>11</sup> NRS 218E.175.
- <sup>12</sup> NRS 218E.185.
- <sup>13</sup> NRS 219.020.
- <sup>14</sup> NRS 218E.180.
- <sup>15</sup> NRS 218E 205.
- <sup>16</sup> NRS 353.266 through 353.269, inclusive.
- <sup>17</sup> NRS 353.220, 353.224, and 353.335.
- <sup>18</sup> Chapter 608, Statutes of Nevada 1983, 1961, codified as NRS 341.145.
- <sup>19</sup> NRS 218E.400.
- <sup>20</sup> Id., subsection 8.
- <sup>21</sup> NRS 218F.110.
- <sup>22</sup> NRS 218F.100.
- <sup>23</sup> NRS 218A.150 and 218F.110.
- <sup>24</sup> NRS 218C.390, 218F.210, and 218F.230.
- <sup>25</sup> NRS 218F.300 and 331.135.
- <sup>26</sup> NRS 218E.180.
- <sup>27</sup> NRS 218H.010, et seq.
- <sup>28</sup> NRS 218E.155, 218E.400, 218E.560, 218E.610, 218E.710, 218E.755, and 439B.210.
- <sup>29</sup> NRS 218E.420, 218F.110, and 459.0085.
- <sup>30</sup> NRS 218E.225.
- <sup>31</sup> NRS 218G.030 to 218G.585, inclusive.
- 32 NRS 218G.450.
- 33 NRS 218G.010
- <sup>34</sup> NRS 218G.110.
- 35 NRS 218G.200.
- <sup>36</sup> NRS 218G.120.
- <sup>37</sup> NRS 218G.210.
- 38 NRS 218G.240.
- 39 NRS 218G.140.
- <sup>40</sup> NRS 218G.250 and 218G.270.
- <sup>41</sup> NRS 218G.100.
- <sup>42</sup> NRS 218E.240.

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- <sup>43</sup> NRS 218G.330 to 218G.350, inclusive.
- <sup>44</sup> NRS 353.060.
- <sup>45</sup> NRS 218G.160.
- <sup>46</sup> NRS 218G.400.
- <sup>47</sup> NRS 353.325.
- <sup>48</sup> NRS 218G.550.
- <sup>49</sup> NRS 218G.555.
- <sup>50</sup> NRS 218G.570 to 218G.585, inclusive.
- $^{51}\,\,$  NRS 218D.050 through 218D.355 and 218F.710.
- 52 Chapter 220 of NRS.
- <sup>53</sup> NRS 233B.065 and 233B.0653.
- <sup>54</sup> NRS 218F.700.
- <sup>55</sup> NRS 219.020.
- <sup>56</sup> NRS 218F.720.
- <sup>57</sup> NRS 218F.710.
- <sup>58</sup> NRS 218D.105.
- <sup>59</sup> NRS 218F.150.
- <sup>60</sup> NRS 218D.610.
- <sup>61</sup> NRS 218D.630.
- <sup>62</sup> NRS 218D.655.
- 63 NRS 220,080.
- <sup>64</sup> NRS 233B.067.
- 65 NRS 218F.810.
- <sup>66</sup> NRS 218D.810.
- <sup>67</sup> NRS 218E.515.
- <sup>68</sup> NRS 218F.600.
- <sup>69</sup> NRS 218F.500.
- <sup>70</sup> NRS 218F.510.

### CHAPTER V RESOURCES FOR LEGISLATORS

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During every legislative session, legislators find themselves deluged with official reports, documents, and communications. Separating the significant from the insignificant becomes a sizeable chore. However, there are a few key resources that bear more directly and more constantly on the legislators' work than any others likely to cross their desks.

These resources may be divided into two categories—basic printed resources and library services. The basic printed materials may be supplemented by additional information available through the libraries.

#### **BASIC PRINTED RESOURCES**

Most of the basic printed resources are issued by the Legislature and the Legislative Counsel Bureau. However, at least four documents issued by the Executive Branch—the Executive Budget, the Recommended Capital Improvement Program, the Nevada State Statistical Abstract, and Perspectives: A Biennial Report of Nevada State Agencies—should also receive legislators' scrutiny. The major printed resources available to Nevada legislators are briefly highlighted below. Many of these resources are accessible through the websites of the Legislature (http://www.leg.state.nv.us) and the State (http://www.nv.gov).

#### Statutes of Nevada

The Statutes of Nevada, sometimes called the session laws, are a bound compilation of all general and special laws and resolutions enacted in a specific legislative year. They have been published for every session since territorial days. Thoroughly indexed, they are normally available within a few months following the close of a session. Between the end of a session and the publication of the Statutes of Nevada, a temporary compilation of the session laws, known as the Advance Sheets, is available to interested parties. This softbound publication contains all of the laws and resolutions adopted at the recently adjourned session in the same order of appearance as in the Statutes of Nevada and includes an index and locater tables.

The text of all bills and resolutions enacted at a session appears in the *Statutes of Nevada* in the same form as the enrolled copies filed with the Secretary of State. With some exceptions, new material is printed in bolded italics, while material enclosed in brackets with strikethrough is to be deleted. Laws are arranged in the *Statutes of Nevada* by chapter number assigned by the Secretary of State in the order received from the Governor.

Besides the complete text of all laws and resolutions adopted during a session, the *Statutes of Nevada* contain indexed copies of the *United States* and *Nevada Constitutions*. The *Statutes of Nevada* also include and index and several tables useful in determining the laws in place in Nevada prior to the biennial reprint of the *Nevada Revised Statutes* (NRS). These tables are:

- 1. A table of bills and resolutions passed or vetoed during the session showing their chapter numbers and page numbers in the *Statutes of Nevada*.
- 2. A table of sections of NRS amended or repealed during the session.
- 3. A table of chapters of NRS amended by the addition of new sections.
- 4. A table of titles of NRS amended by the addition of new chapters.
- 5. A list of selected special and local acts amended or repealed.
- 6. A table of statutes, or sections thereof, repealed or amended.
- 7. A table of contents showing the title and chapter numbers (or file numbers for resolutions) of all the measures enacted during the session.

The reprint of NRS incorporates the statutory changes adopted during the previous session.

#### Nevada Revised Statutes

*Nevada Revised Statutes* is an annotated codification of all statute laws in Nevada of a general, public, and permanent nature. Officially cited as NRS, the code consists of 54 loose-leaf volumes including indices, comparative tables, and certain special and local acts. The NRS is also available electronically as part of the official Nevada Law Library CD.

The NRS is revised and published by the Legislative Counsel Bureau. It is organized according to subject matter, but unlike the codes of some states, there is a single, unified system of section numbers running from beginning to end so that codes, titles, and chapters need not be cited. The four broadest divisions are codes:

- 1. The *Remedial Code*, which deals with court structure and organization and civil procedure and remedies.
- 2. The *Civil Code*, which deals with relationships between persons.
- 3. The *Penal Code*, which encompasses crimes and punishments and criminal procedure.
- 4. The *Political Code*, which relates to the structure and organization of State and local governments and with the services rendered and the regulation exercised by government.

Within the codes are the titles, numbered consecutively from 1 through 59, each of which embraces a major subject area of law. The titles, in turn, are broken down into chapters, and within the chapters are the specific provisions of the law set forth as sections, which are given identifying numbers. In citing a law contained in NRS, the numbers preceding the decimal point indicate the chapter in which the provision is located, while those following the decimal pinpoint the specific section referred to in the citation. Hence, a citation reading NRS 218D.630 would mean that the law in question is found in Chapter 218D of NRS, while 630 indicates its place in that chapter. The system is truly decimal, that is, NRS 233B.0395 lies between NRS 233B.039 and NRS 233B.040.

The numbers, dates, and symbols at the conclusion of each NRS section refer to the statutory history of the sections and permit the quick location of their statutory antecedents. An explanation of the code employed is contained in the Legislative Counsel's Preface in Volume 1.

The rules of Nevada's courts are also printed with the NRS. Court Rules Volume I contains the *Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure*, *Nevada Short Trial Rules*, and *Rules Governing Alternative Dispute Resolution*. Court Rules Volume II contains the *Nevada Electronic Filing Rules*, Justice Court Rules, Local Justice Court Rules, District Court Rules, and Local Rules of Practice. Court Rules Volume III contains *Nevada Rules of Appellate Procedure*, *Supreme Court Rules*, the *Code of Judicial Conduct*, the *Rules Governing the Standing Committee on Judicial Ethics and Election Practices*, the *Nevada Rules of Professional Conduct*, the *Nevada Rules on the Administrative Docket*, and the *Minimum Records Retention Schedules*. Court Rules Volume IV contains U.S. District Court Rules and the U.S. Ninth Circuit Court Rules. The court rules are not assigned chapter numbers and are arranged simply in numerical order by rule. Citations for these rules may be given as S.C.R. 4, N.R.C.P. 65(a), and N.R.A.P. 1(a). The alphabetical listing of Nevada's Supreme Court cases and their citations are in NRS Volume 49.

The Nevada Admission Acts and the *Nevada Constitution* with its index are found in Volume 45 of NRS. Volume 46 contains the *U.S. Constitution* with its index and charters for all cities incorporated by special act. Volume 47 contains a selection of local and special acts that appear to have a continuing effect and may have a significant degree of public interest. Major inclusions are water and sewer districts, room taxes, convention centers, and other special acts. Volume 48 provides comparative tables, relating NRS sections to those found in the previous compilation and to new sections added by statutes enacted subsequent to the adoption of NRS as the law of Nevada. Also included is a table of all sections repealed or replaced in NRS since its enactment in 1957. Volumes 50 through 54 comprise the comprehensive index to NRS.

At each session of the Legislature, numerous changes are made in the existing body of law contained in NRS. To keep NRS current, the Legislative Counsel prepares biennial supplements, which contain all changes made in NRS at the immediately preceding session. Supplements to NRS are printed periodically throughout the biennium to update the annotations.

The volumes of NRS currently sell for \$695 per set and may be ordered from the Publications Unit of the Legal Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau. Legislators desiring to obtain one personal set of NRS may order it directly from the Bureau at a cost of \$50. This fee entitles a legislator to a complete set of NRS. Sets of replacement or supplementary pages as issued during the legislator's term of office are provided without additional charge.

The NRS contains annotations that assist in interpreting the meaning of statutory language appearing in NRS. The annotations contain several basic aids to understanding Nevada law:

- Reviser's Notes. The Reviser's Notes explain the reasons for omissions, changes of wording, and reorganizations made during the revision of NRS.
   They also set forth selected preambles, legislative policy statements, and other provisions of law having more than temporary effect which are not included in NRS. In a few instances, they provide additional information about the source or effective date of a provision.
- 2. Legislative Histories. The legislative history for each section of NRS is inserted in brackets immediately following the section. The history contains a reference to the section, chapter, and year of the *Statutes of Nevada* from which the section is derived and includes references to subsequent amendments. In addition, Volume 46 of NRS provides a legislative history of the enactment, repeal, and replacement of the sections of NRS, including the sections that existed prior to the enactment of NRS.
- 3. References to Nevada Constitutional Debates and Proceedings. Annotations to the *Nevada Constitution* contain references to the *Debates and Proceedings in the 1864 Constitutional Convention of the State of Nevada*, as reported by Andrew J. Marsh and published in 1866.
- 4. Notes of the Advisory Committees of Nevada's Supreme Court. The annotations to *Nevada Rules of Appellate Procedure*, *Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure*, and *Justices' Courts Rules* contain notes as prepared by the respective advisory committees appointed by Nevada's Supreme Court.
- 5. NRS Cross References. The annotations contain references to sections of *Nevada Revised Statutes* that are related to the statutory provision.
- 6. NAC Cross References. The annotations contain references to sections of the *Nevada Administrative Code* that are related or adopted pursuant to the statutory provision.

- 7. Relevant Judicial Decisions. The annotations contain notes and citations for decisions of Nevada's Supreme Court, federal courts, and courts of other jurisdictions that bear upon the provisions of NRS. Also included are statements of holdings in cases decided under former statutes that were substantially the same as the provisions in NRS.
- 8. West Publishing Company. Immediately following selected statutes and chapter or subchapter headings, there are references to West Publishing Company's key number classifications as contained in its *American Digest System*® and to West Publishing Company's legal encyclopedia, *Corpus Juris Secundum*®.
- 9. Notes of Opinions of the Attorney General. Where appropriate, the annotations contain brief notes on pertinent Opinions of the Attorneys General of the State of Nevada since 1869. These are identified by the citation prefix "AGO," followed by the number of the opinion and its date of issuance. Opinions concerning the Open Meeting Law are included where appropriate and are prefixed with "OMLO," followed by the number and the date of issuance.
- 10. Opinions of the Nevada Commission on Ethics. Where appropriate, the annotations contain brief notes on pertinent Opinions of the Nevada Commission on Ethics. These are identified by the citation prefix "CEO," followed by the number of the opinion.

#### Nevada Administrative Code

Pursuant to NRS 233B.062, it is the policy of the State of Nevada that every regulation adopted pursuant to law by a State agency be made easily accessible to the public and expressed in clear and concise language. To assist in carrying out this policy, most permanent regulations are incorporated in the *Nevada Administrative Code* (NAC), and procedures for the adoption of emergency or temporary regulations are set forth by statute. Information relating to a proposed or adopted regulation is provided in the *Register of Administrative Regulations*, which is published by the Legislative Counsel. The Register includes the proposed and adopted text of each permanent regulation, the notice of intent to act upon the regulation, the written notice of adoption of the regulation, an informational statement, and the effective date.

The NAC and the Register are available for review in the State and legislative libraries and online at the legislative website. They may also be purchased, in individual volumes or in their entirety, from the Publications Unit of the Legal Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau.

#### **Daily Histories**

The Nevada Legislature considered 1,130 legislative measures during the 2009 Session. The progress of each of these bills and resolutions is summarized in the *Senate Daily History* and the *Assembly Daily History*.

The daily histories list each bill and resolution introduced in the respective chambers for which they are reporting in numerical sequence by bill number or the number of the resolution. Following the bill number is the name of the introducer (whether individual or committee), co- or joint-sponsors, and whether or not the legislation is *by request*. In the Senate, the date of introduction of the measure is also listed. Below this information there is a brief summary of the measure and the number of the bill drafting request. Then, in chronological order, the measure's legislative history is traced up to the date of the daily history's publication. Thus, at a moment's glance, a legislator or other interested person can locate any bill or resolution and determine its status.

Daily histories, which record all action taken on bills and resolutions, are produced each day the Legislature is in session. They also contain a complete list of the daily files scheduled for the next day and notice of committee meetings. There also are listings of announcements, resolution recognition days, and special occasion days.

At the conclusion of each session, final volumes of the *Senate History* and the *Assembly History* are printed and made available upon request. These volumes contain the legislative history of each measure through the last day of the session and are arranged in the same fashion as the daily histories. Measures enacted into law are traced through the date of the Governor's signature (or the date on which they became law without his signature), with notations citing their assigned chapter numbers in the *Statutes of Nevada* and their effective dates, unless vetoed, in which case the date of veto is noted. The final volumes include additional relevant information on the personnel of the session, committee assignments, a legislative "box score," and other items of general interest.

#### Index of Bills and Resolutions

The index of Senate and Assembly bills and resolutions is a cumulative publication, which is printed each week during the legislative session. The index contains references to all bills and resolutions introduced during the session and includes references to material that is added to a bill or resolution by amendment.

Within the index are tables to Senate and Assembly bills arranged by the section of NRS proposed to be amended or repealed; chapters of NRS that may be amended by the addition of new sections; and titles of NRS proposed to be amended by the addition of new chapters.

Special characters following a bill or resolution number in the index or tables indicate action taken by the Governor on measures that have been passed by both houses or certain actions taken by the Senate or Assembly:

1. One asterisk (\*) indicates that the bill is effective on October 1 or later.

- 2. Two asterisks (\*\*) indicate that the bill is effective on passage and approval or on a specified date before October 1.
- 3. One dagger (†) indicates that the material reflected by the index entry was deleted by amendment or that the section reflected in the table was deleted by amendment.
- 4. Two daggers (††) indicate that the bill was vetoed.
- 5. A double dagger (‡) indicates that the resolution has been approved.
- 6. "IP" indicates action on the bill has been indefinitely postponed.
- 7. "EX" indicates that the bill is exempt from certain limitations.
- 8. "NFA" indicates that no further action on the bill is allowed.

Liberal use is made of "See" and "See also" references. For example, the heading "LAKE TAHOE (See TAHOE BASIN)" means that all information concerning Lake Tahoe is indexed under the heading "TAHOE BASIN." The heading "REGIONAL PLANNING (See also LAND USE PLANNING)" means that all specific references to regional planning are indexed under "REGIONAL PLANNING," but that the heading "LAND USE PLANNING" contains general information that may be pertinent.

General headings are used within the index to list every bill or resolution pertaining to certain general subjects. For example, the heading "APPROPRIATIONS" includes a reference for every bill that contains an appropriation. The heading "LEGISLATIVE AND AGENCY STUDIES" includes a reference for every bill or resolution that requests a study. The heading "RESOLUTIONS AND MEMORIALS" includes references for every resolution introduced, except constitutional amendments and legislative matters. Constitutional amendments are listed under the headings "CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS, NEVADA" and "CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS, UNITED STATES." Resolutions concerning legislative matters (other than "LEGISLATIVE AND AGENCY STUDIES") are indexed under the heading "LEGISLATURE." In consulting the index on a given subject, the user should check first for the specific, then for the general, subject.

A final edition of the index and tables is printed after adjournment and may be used before the publication of the *Advance Sheets* to identify new laws or amendments to existing law.

#### **Legislative Journals**

Each house of the Nevada Legislature publishes a daily journal of its proceedings, which is the only official record of floor activity. While the journals are not verbatim transcriptions of floor activity, they do record all official actions taken on measures pending before the chambers and frequently include the text of remarks made by legislators, especially as it relates to legislative intent on specific legislation.

Gubernatorial and congressional communications are included in the journal, as well as the text from the Governor's *State of the State Address* and all the speeches from Nevada's five congressional delegates, as well as the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court's State of the Judiciary speech. Journals for the preceding day are distributed to the legislators in their respective chambers at the beginning of each day's session and made available to the public.

After the Legislature has adjourned sine die, the digital versions of the daily journals are compiled, formatted, edited, repeatedly checked for accuracy, indexed, and finally bound in permanent hardbound publications containing several volumes. These hardbound copies of the journals also contain certain ancillary information relating to the legislative calendar, the personnel of the Legislature, a table of contents regarding legislation, the Standing Rules, and the Joint Rules of the Senate and Assembly.

### Biennial Report of Nevada State Agencies, Nevada State Statistical Abstract, and Nevada Report to Taxpayers

Each biennium, the Department of Administration's Budget Division compiles *Perspectives: A Biennial Report of Nevada State Agencies*. The report contains an organizational chart of State government and a section describing each State agency. Descriptions include a statement of purpose, organizational structures, significant legislative or executive action affecting the agency, a list of major administrators within the agency, goals, and what the agency did to help achieve its goals. Each department's section includes department goals, an employee count, statutory authority, and main telephone numbers. The Budget Division also maintains and updates the *Nevada State Statistical Abstract*, which contains links to data describing the people, economy, and environment of Nevada.

The *Nevada Report to Taxpayers* is updated annually and summarizes State revenues and expenditures during the previous fiscal year. Also provided are detailed financial reports from State agencies, regulatory bodies, local governments, and school districts in the State.

These documents are available online exclusively, and may be accessed through the website of the Budget Division at http://budget.state.nv.us under the "publications" tab.

#### Political History of Nevada

One of the most comprehensive historical reference works on Nevada state government and politics is the *Political History of Nevada*, the eleventh revised edition of which was issued by the Secretary of State in 2006.

The political history contains background data on the historical development of the State; descriptive material on the State symbols and mottoes; lists of territorial and State elective officials; informative articles; and complete statewide election returns for every special, primary, and general election since 1864. A special section on the Legislature highlights valuable information regarding apportionment of the Nevada Legislature since 1861 and lists the membership of each session of the territorial and State legislatures.

#### **Audits of State Agencies**

The Audit Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau periodically issues audits and other reports of interest to legislators. Because of the technical nature and complexity of these reports, it is recommended that interested legislators consult with the Legislative Auditor for assistance when obtaining audit reports.

Every legislator receives a copy of the *Biennial Report of the Legislative Auditor*, which summarizes audit reports on State agencies. This report also includes specific recommendations to the Legislature for laws to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of State government.

#### Legislative Videorecordings

The Legislative Counsel Bureau provides a program for legislators, in DVD or VHS format, titled *Overview of the Nevada Legislature and Legislative Counsel Bureau*. The *Overview* includes a description of staff and services of the Assembly, Senate, all Divisions, and the Administrative units. The DVD or VHS program may be borrowed by individual legislators.

The National Conference of State Legislatures also provides several DVD and videorecordings on various legislative topics. For specific information, contact the Research Library by telephone at (775) 684-6827, by e-mail at library@lcb.state.nv.us, or at the Legislative Counsel Bureau, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada 89701-4747

#### **Recommended Schedule of Priorities for Capital Improvements**

Pursuant to NRS 341.191, the State Public Works Board is required to recommend to the Governor and to the Legislature a schedule of priorities for the construction of proposed capital improvements. The *State Administrative Manual* requires all institutions and departments to submit to the State Public Works Board, for consideration and recommendation, their requests for all new construction and remodeling projects that cost in excess of \$100,000. The publication containing the long-range perspective of the capital construction needs and ultimate level of financing required is the *Recommended 2011-2013 Capital Improvement Program*.

The recommended schedule assigns each proposed capital improvement project a project number and title. This information is followed by a cost estimate and description of the project. In providing funds to carry out a program of capital improvements, the Legislature normally makes reference in legislation to the project numbers assigned to various projects by the State Public Works Board in its recommended schedule. Hence, the recommended schedule is key to understanding the State's approved capital improvement program.

#### Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure

The standing rules of both houses of the Nevada Legislature designate *Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure* as the parliamentary authority to be followed in the absence of any constitutional provisions, standing rules, customs, usage, precedents, or statutes governing the conduct of proceedings in the chambers. *Mason's Manual*, because of its official standing, is thus one of the most important printed resources for legislators.

The manual contains a complete outline of parliamentary laws and rules, explaining questions of precedence of motions, the conduct of debate, methods of voting, and other intricacies of procedure. Citations to collateral parliamentary authorities permit in-depth analysis of specific issues, while the narrative itself (which is organized by topical sections for purposes of citation) offers a statement of general principles applicable in most given situations.

In addition to an extensive table of contents, the manual has an index, a brief index, and a table of cases cited. Limited copies of *Mason's Manual* are available for checkout from the Research Library. Copies may also be available for purchase from the Publications Unit of the Legal Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau.

#### Nevada Legislative Manual

Each legislator is provided with a copy of the *Nevada Legislative Manual*, which contains information regarding the structure and processes of the Legislature. The manual, published by the Legislative Counsel Bureau, also includes information to assist new legislators in adjusting to legislative life.

#### Legislative Counsel Bureau Publications

The Legislative Counsel Bureau issues several reports and publications useful to legislators. These publications are the *Legislative Appropriations Report, Summary of Legislation*, Legislative Counsel Bureau bulletins, and various reports.

1. Legislative Appropriations Report. Produced biennially by the Fiscal Analysis Division, this report details all the appropriations made by the Legislature for

the operation of Nevada state government. It is distributed to all members of the Legislature as soon as possible after the adjournment of the legislative session.

- 2. *Summary of Legislation*. Produced biennially by the Research Division, this report summarizes all legislation enacted during the most recent session.
- 3. Legislative Counsel Bureau Bulletins. The Legislature has created statutory committees to study important topics, including education and health care, primarily during the interim period when the Legislature is not in session. In addition, the Legislative Commission, responding to directions contained in concurrent resolutions, normally assigns a number of interim studies on legislative problems to its subcommittees, the staff of the Legislative Counsel Bureau, or both. Upon their completion, these studies, together with recommendations for appropriate legislative action, are published in bulletins by the Legislative Counsel Bureau and distributed to the members at the next session of the Legislature. Each publication is given a bulletin number.

A complete list of Legislative Counsel Bureau bulletins issued to date is included as Appendix E of this *Nevada Legislative Manual*. The numbering system for bulletins was changed in 1976 so that a bulletin now has a two-part number. The first part is the year of the regular session to which the report was made, and the second part is a sequence number for that session. Thus, the first bulletin to the 2011 Session is 11-01.

Copies of studies may be requested through the Publications Unit of the Legal Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau. While an attempt is made to maintain a sufficient supply of each bulletin to accommodate requests for additional copies, certain numbers are now out of print. Anyone wishing to review the contents of out-of-print bulletins may do so by consulting the editions retained by the Legislative Counsel Bureau in its Research Library.

4. Research Briefs and Fact Sheets. These reports, which are produced by the Research Division as part of its requirements under NRS 218F.810, discuss subjects that may be of major interest during legislative sessions. The Division welcomes legislators' suggestions for topics to be covered in research briefs or fact sheets.

#### Executive Budget

The major fiscal document used by legislators in Nevada is the *Executive Budget*, which contains actual appropriation and expenditure figures for past fiscal years, agency requests for the future biennium, and the gubernatorial recommendations that endorse or modify agency budgetary requests. Included in the budget document are program

statements that preface the detailed fiscal information for the various departments, boards, commissions, and other agencies of the State. Starting in 1993, the budget segregated each account into base and current services level budgets, and all program enhancements were separately identified. In addition, quantitative indicators of each program's performance were added to the budget document in 1993. The budget is organized functionally, by agency, with summaries relating to personnel, operating expenses, travel, and requests for equipment.

The introductory materials located at the front of the budget document provide general interest data relating to the Nevada economy, taxation, revenue, personal income, population, and fiscal trends. This information is useful in understanding the factors involved in calculating budget projections, but it is equally useful as a statistical reference work on the State of Nevada.

#### **Economic Forum**

The Economic Forum is a five-member committee from the private sector directed to provide a forecast of future State General Fund revenues by December 1 of even-numbered years (NRS 353.226 through NRS 353.229). The Governor appoints three members to the forum, and the Majority Floor Leader of the Senate and the Speaker of the Assembly each nominate a member. The forum is assisted in preparing the forecast by a Technical Advisory Committee made up of the Budget Director, Senate and Assembly Fiscal Analysts, the State Demographer, the head of the Research Division of the Employment Security Division of the Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation, the Vice Chancellor for Finance of the Nevada System of Higher Education, and the Chair of the Committee on Local Government Finance.

The forecast prepared by the Economic Forum will be based on the existing revenue structure and must be used by the agencies, the Governor, and the Legislature in recommending and approving the new budget. A second written report must be submitted by the Economic Forum to the Governor and the Legislature by May 1 of odd-numbered years that confirms or revises the projections contained in the December 1 forecast.

#### LIBRARY SERVICES FOR LEGISLATORS

#### Research Library—Legislative Counsel Bureau

The Research Library operates within the Research Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau. The library serves the legislative staff and legislators, and it is also open to State agency personnel and the general public. The library is a reference center specializing in legislative and governmental subjects. Located on the first floor of the Sedway Office Building, the library hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday (telephone: 775-684-6827; e-mail: library@lcb.state.nv.us).

The Research Library serves as a depository for official Nevada legislative documents and provides reports and studies on current issues for legislative research. Holdings include current and previous sets of Nevada compiled laws, bills introduced since 1911, Nevada territorial and State journals and session laws, and minutes of legislative hearings. The legislative committee minutes are microfiched starting in the early 1970s, and from 1993 forward the minutes are available on the Legislature's website at http://www.leg.state.nv.us. The library collects all materials required to compile a legislative history and provides a guide to the materials and the process on the library's website (http://www.leg.state.nv.us/division/research/library). Library staff also provide Internet access to over 3,400 legislative history packets from the library's website.

The library collection also includes published reports of the Audit, Fiscal Analysis, and Research Divisions of the Legislative Counsel Bureau, federal and State agencies, organizations, and associations. Collected materials are catalogued and entered into a library database. The library catalog, including many links to electronic documents, is searchable and online at the library's website.

Staff provide information by utilizing in-house print and electronic materials, specialists in government and private sectors, and Internet sources.

#### **State Library and Archives**

Nevada's State Library and Archives was established in 1861 as the territorial library for service to attorneys and justices. Today it provides library and information services to all Nevadans. The State Library and Archives acts as the information service center for all functions of State government and coordinates many activities for public libraries throughout the State.

A full range of information services is provided by the State Library and Archives, and additional information is available on its website at: http://nevadaculture.org. State Library and Archives hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The following areas are of special use to members of the Legislature:

#### STATE LIBRARY SERVICES

Reference librarians answer reference and research requests using in-depth collections of public administration, business, census, human resources, taxation, and Nevada materials. Comprehensive collections of statistical and demographic information, telephone and other directories, and a wide variety of information databases provide quick access to much information (telephone: 775-684-3360; e-mail: nslref@nevadaculture.org).

The reference staff answers questions of a general or special nature, performs manual and database literature searches, compiles bibliographies or lists of information sources on subjects, and obtains difficult-to-find materials through interlibrary loan from other libraries located in and out of State. A telecommunications network connecting the computer databases of Nevada's public and academic libraries provides information transfer statewide; a computer lab is also available. The home page address is: http://nevadaculture.org.

The State Publications Distribution Center collects Nevada state and local agency publications in all formats for research use at the State Library and Archives and distributes copies of these publications to the Clark, Elko, and Washoe County libraries and the University of Nevada campuses at Las Vegas and Reno (telephone: 775-684-3329).

The State Library and Archives is a federal documents depository, maintaining a current and historical collection of 549,435 federal documents, which includes congressional bills, statutes, hearings, and reports, as well as executive publications. A limited collection of out-of-state and intergovernmental documents is also available. Full reference, computer search, photocopy, and microform reader-printer services are available for all collections (telephone: 775-684-3329).

The Regional Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped provides braille and recorded books and magazines to handicapped individuals. Legislators are invited to visit this program and review the unique and varied materials and equipment the program offers (telephone: 775-684-3354).

Technical Services coordinates the cataloging of library materials and the sharing of information on a statewide basis. The section develops and maintains a statewide computer database for the interlibrary loan network and coordinates the development of circulation databases (telephone: 775-684-3309).

The Library Development Section provides consultation on library and information services to local libraries and State institutions; promotes coordination and improvement of library services on a statewide basis; collects data and publishes statistics and directories; monitors, evaluates, and assists with administration of State and federal grants for library development; assists with development of library automation projects statewide; and develops training and continuing education activities for library staff members and public library trustees (telephone: 775-684-3324).

#### ARCHIVES AND RECORDS

The State Archives program preserves the records that document the history of Nevada government dating back to 1851, including many records of the Legislative, Judicial, and Executive Branches of government. There are more than 13,400 cubic

feet of territorial and State government records and over 12,000 images of Nevada people and places, providing visual information that complements the Archives' documentation of Nevada history.

The staff provides research and photocopying of records and referral to historical materials housed elsewhere (telephone: 775-684-3310 or e-mail: jkintop@nevadaculture.org). The Records Management Program inventories the records of Executive Branch agencies and prepares records retention schedules for State and local governments (telephone: 775-684-3411). The Micrographics and Imaging Program microfilms records for permanent retention and scans documents to CD ROM for easier access (telephone: 775-684-3414).

Archives and Records provides technical assistance and advice to Nevada's Supreme Court and the Legislative Counsel Bureau in the preparation of their records retention schedules and operates a records center in Carson City, which substantially reduces the storage costs to the State for agencies.

#### Nevada's Supreme Court Law Library

Occupying the first floor of the Supreme Court Building (201 South Carson Street, Carson City), the Supreme Court Law Library provides legal information and research services to legislators, including research, interlibrary loan, and photocopying. The Law Library contains the basic legal collection of case law, statutes, treatises, and law reviews. Early Nevada codes, the NRS, the NAC, Nevada county codes, and municipal codes as they currently and previously read are available for research. The U.S. Code and all 50 state codes plus their historical versions are contained in the Law Library's collection. Online research services include all major law reviews. the Federal Register, the Congressional Record, and other extensive federal databases. Public access terminals with Westlaw, Shepard's, and Lexis are available for public use. Requests for information may be made by telephone (775-684-1640), fax (775-684-1662), e-mail (reference@nycourts.ny.us), website (http://lawlibrary.nevadajudiciary.us), or in person. The Law Library maintains two meeting rooms for public use during library hours. Contact the reference desk at (775) 684-1640 concerning the use of a conference room. The Law Library is staffed from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, and access is through the east entrance. Legislators may use the intercom at the southwest entrance to identify themselves to Security to enter the library between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m., Monday through Friday. For weekend access or key card access, contact the Law Librarian at (775) 684-1670.

#### **INTERNET SERVICES**

#### Legislature's Website

The Nevada Legislature's website (http://www.leg.state.nv.us) contains substantial information regarding the operation of the Legislature. The public can access bills, resolutions, committee minutes, and daily journals from the 1997 to 2011 Legislative Sessions. Bill histories are also available back through the 1985 Session. Information regarding the interim legislative committees is available back through the 1997-1998 Interim, including the members, agendas, and minutes for each committee.

Through the website, members of the public can determine who their State Senator and Assembly member is and can contact them by e-mail or read the legislators' biographies. During legislative sessions, the public may express their views on various topics through an online opinion poll.

The text of the NRS, the NAC, the *Register of Administrative Regulations*, and recent decisions by Nevada's Supreme Court can be browsed or searched. The recent reports of interim legislative committees, policy and program reports, and the *Summary of Legislation* are also available. One new feature added during the 2009 Legislative Session is reports that have been submitted to the Legislature from various State and other agencies may now be viewed by the public. Additional documents that may be reviewed include the *Nevada Constitution*, court rules, city charters, and the 1861 and 1864 Acts of Congress, which organized the Nevada Territory and enabled the people to form the State government.

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# APPENDIX A 120-DAY CALENDAR AND DATES OF INTEREST

#### NEVADA LEGISLATURE 2011 SESSION

#### 120-Day Calendar and Dates of Interest

The following dates are established by the Nevada Constitution, Nevada Revised Statutes, and rules adopted by the Legislature.

#### **Biennial Sessions**

Article IV, Section 2 of the *Nevada Constitution* provides that the Legislature shall be biennial (meet every two years) and shall convene following the election of members of the Assembly. Accordingly, the Legislature convenes in the odd-numbered years.

#### Start of Session

Article IV, Section 2 of the *Nevada Constitution* provides that the Legislature shall commence on the first Monday of February.

#### Submission of the Proposed Executive Budget

Article IV, Section 2 of the *Nevada Constitution* provides that the Governor shall submit the proposed *Executive Budget* to the Legislature "not later than 14 calendar days before the commencement of each regular session."

#### Limitations on Requests and Introduction of Bill Drafts

Prior to the start of the legislative session, Chapter 218 of *Nevada Revised Statutes* governs deadlines for and limitations on the number of requests for bill drafts. After the session commences, Joint Rules 14 through 14.7 (which are adopted and may be amended by the Legislature at the beginning of each session) prescribe the deadlines and limitations on requests for bill drafts. These same rules establish the deadlines for the introduction of legislation.

#### Deadlines for Passage of Bills

Joint Rules 14 through 14.7 also place deadlines for passage of bills out of the final committee of reference in the house of origin (if at all) and, subsequently, by the house of origin (if at all). Similar deadlines are imposed for legislation in the second house.

#### **Exemptions from Deadlines and Limitations**

Certain legislation, including measures requested by or referred to the Senate Committee on Finance or the Assembly Committee on Ways and Means, and resolutions relating to legislative business (adoption of rules, appointment of attachés, establishing interim studies, et cetera) are exempt from the limitations on committee requests and the deadlines for introduction and passage.

#### Length of Session

Article IV, Section 2 of the *Nevada Constitution* requires the Legislature to "adjourn sine die" not later than 120 calendar days after its commencement.

#### Effective Date of Legislation

Every law or joint resolution passed by the Legislature becomes effective on October 1 following its passage, unless the law or joint resolution specifically prescribes a different effective date.



# STATE OF NEVADA 2011 LEGISLATIVE SESSION 120-Day Calendar

Date (Day of Session)	Date (Day of Session)	Date (Day of Session)
Feb. 7 (1)	Mar. 19 (41)	Apr. 28 (81)
Feb. 8 (2)	Mar. 20 (42)	Apr. 29 (82)
Feb. 9 (3)	Mar. 21 (43) Legislators' Bill Introductions	Apr. 30 (83)
Feb. 10 (4)	Mar. 22 (44)	May 1 (84)
Feb. 11 (5)	Mar. 23 (45)	May 2 (85) Economic Forum Report Due
Feb. 12 (6)	Mar. 24 (46)	May 3 (86)
Feb. 13 (7)	Mar. 25 (47)	May 4 (87)
Feb. 14 (8) Legislators' BDR Requests	Mar. 26 (48)	May 5 (88)
Feb. 15 (9) Joint Subcommittees Start	Mar. 27 (49)	May 6 (89) Start Resolving Budget Differences
Feb. 16 (10)	Mar. 28 (50) Committees' Bill Introductions	May 7 (90)
Feb. 17 (11)	Mar. 29 (51)	May 8 (91)
Feb. 18 (12)	Mar. 30 (52)	May 9 (92)
Feb. 19 (13)	Mar. 31 (53)	May 10 (93)
Feb. 20 (14)	Apr. 1 (54)	May 11 (94)
Feb. 21 (15)	Apr. 2 (55)	May 12 (95)
Feb. 22 (16)	Apr. 3 (56)	May 13 (96)
Feb. 23 (17)	Apr. 4 (57)	May 14 (97)
Feb. 24 (18)	Apr. 5 (58) Start Closing Budgets	May 15 (98)
Feb. 25 (19) Committees' BDR Requests	Apr. 6 (59)	May 16 (99)
Feb. 26 (20)	Apr. 7 (60)	May 17 (100)
Feb. 27 (21)	Apr. 8 (61)	May 18 (101)
Feb. 28 (22)	Apr. 9 (62)	May 19 (102)
Mar. 1 (23)	Apr. 10 (63)	May 20 (103) Committee Passage (Second House)
Mar. 2 (24)	Apr. 11 (64)	May 21 (104)
Mar. 3 (25)	Apr. 12 (65)	May 22 (105)
Mar. 4 (26)	Apr. 13 (66)	May 23 (106)
Mar. 5 (27)	Apr. 14 (67)	May 24 (107)
Mar. 6 (28)	Apr. 15 (68) Committee Passage (First House)	May 25 (108)
Mar. 7 (29)	Apr. 16 (69)	May 26 (109) Finish Budget Differences
Mar. 8 (30)	Apr. 17 (70)	May 27 (110) Second House Passage
Mar. 9 (31)	Apr. 18 (71)	May 28 (111)
Mar. 10 (32)	Apr. 19 (72)	May 29 (112)
Mar. 11 (33)	Apr. 20 (73)	May 30 (113)
Mar. 12 (34)	Apr. 21 (74)	May 31 (114)
Mar. 13 (35)	Apr. 22 (75)	Jun. 1 (115) Budget Bills Introduced Exempt Bills from Committee
Mar. 14 (36)	Apr. 23 (76)	June 2 (116)
Mar. 15 (37)	Apr. 24 (77)	June 3 (117)
Mar. 16 (38)	Apr. 25 (78)	June 4 (118)
Mar. 17 (39)	Apr. 26 (79) First House Passage	June 5 (119)
Mar. 18 (40)	Apr. 27 (80)	June 6 (120)

# APPENDIX B LIMITATIONS AND DEADLINES FOR BILL DRAFT REQUESTS

# NUMBER OF LEGISLATIVE MEASURES THAT MAY BE REQUESTED FOR DRAFTING, BY ENTITY

Nevada Legislature—2011 Regular Legislative Session

Authorized Entity	Time Frame	Number of Measures Per Entity
Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 218D	.150 & Joint Rule 14 (2009)	
Assemblyman-Incumbent	On or before September 1, 2010 September 2, 2010, through December 15, 2010 Before 5 p.m. on 8th Day of Session	12 10 4
Assemblyman–Newly-elected  On or before December 15, 2010  Before 5 p.m. on 8th Day of Session		10 4
Senators-Incumbent	On or before September 1, 2010 September 2, 2010, through December 15, 2010 Before 5 p.m. on 8th Day of Session	6 5 2
Senators–Newly-elected  On or before December 15, 2010  Before 5 p.m. on 8th Day of Session		5 2
NRS 218D.150* Standing Committee Chairs	Before Date of the General Election*	1 per 15 measures referred during previous session
Joint Rule 14 (2009) First Day of Session through 5 p.m. on Standing Committees 19th Day of Session		50 per house
NRS 218D.155** & Joint Rule 14.4	(2009)	
Speaker of the Assembly and Senate Majority Leader	Before Date of the General Election** Emergency requests during session	15 5
Senate Minority Leaders for the Assembly and Senate	Before Date of the General Election** Emergency requests during session	10 2
NRS 218D.160 & 218E.205		
Legislative Commission	Before Start of Session	15
Interim Finance Committee	Before Start of Session	10
Statutory Legislative Committee	On or before September 1, 2010	10
Interim Study Committee Created by 2007 Legislature Created by Legislative Commission	Before July 1, 2010 On or before September 1, 2010	5 5
NRS 218D.155		
Chief Clerk of the Assembly and Secretary of the Senate	Before or during session	Unlimited, but must pertain to duties
Legislative Counsel	Before or during session	Unlimited, but must pertain to duties

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Authorized Entity	Time Frame	Number of Measures Per Entity
NRS 218D.190 Supreme Court	On or before September 1, 2010	10
NRS 218D.175		
Governor/Executive Branch Governor for Legislative Agenda	On or before September 1, 2010 On or before 19th Day of Session	100 5
Department of Administration to implement budget	On or before 19th Day of Session	Unlimited
Lieutenant Governor	On or before September 1, 2010	1
Secretary of State	On or before September 1, 2010	5
State Treasurer	On or before September 1, 2010	2
State Controller	On or before September 1, 2010	2
Attorney General	On or before September 1, 2010	15
NRS 218D.205 & 218D.105		
County of 400,000 or more School district in such county	On or before September 1, 2010	4 2
County of 100,000 to 399,999 School district in such county	On or before September 1, 2010	2 1
County under 100,000 School district in such county	On or before September 1, 2010	1 1
City of 100,000 or more	On or before September 1, 2010	3
City under 100,000	On or before September 1, 2010	1
NRS 218D.210 Associations of Counties or Cities	On or before September 1, 2010	5
NRS 218D.215 Mental Health Consortium (NRS 433B.333)	On or before September 1, 2010	1

<sup>\*</sup>Per NRS 218.150, the deadline is extended to December 15, 2008, for Committee Chairs designated after the General Election to request the remaining number of legislative measures.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Per NRS 218D.155, the deadline is extended to the start of the next Regular Session for persons designated after the General Election as Speaker of the Assembly, Majority Leaders of the Senate, and Minority Leaders of the Assembly and Senate. These persons may request the remaining number of legislative measures.

# APPENDIX C NEVADA'S LEGISLATIVE PROCESS

# **NEVADA'S LEGISLATIVE PROCESS**

INITIAL STEPS BY THE AUTHOR

# **ACTION IN THE HOUSE OF ORIGIN**

# **IDEA & DRAFTING**

Sources of ideas for legislation include State and local governments, elected officials, businesses, organizations, and citizens. Requests for drafting may be made by legislators, legislative committees, the Governor, State agencies, and local governments. A staff attorney for the Legislature prepares a formal draft of a bill.

# INTRODUCTION & FIRST READING

A bill is submitted for introduction by an individual legislator or committee chair. It is then numbered, read for the first time, referred to committee, printed, and delivered to the committee.

# **COMMITTEE ACTION & REPORT**

A committee may make a variety of recommendations to the entire legislative body. It may recommend that the legislative house pass a bill as it is written or pass it with certain amendments. If a committee feels that a bill requires further committee consideration. it may recommend that the legislative house amend the bill and rerefer it back to the same committee or that it rerefer the bill to another committee. Finally, a committee may vote to indefinitely postpone consideration of a bill, effectively killing it, or may take no action at all. After committee reports are read, bills are placed on second reading for the next legislative day unless the committee. by unanimous vote, recommends the bill be placed on the Consent Calendar. This action is limited to certain noncontroversial bills reported out of committee without amendment.

# SECOND READING

Bills given a "Do Pass" recommendation are read a second time and placed on General File for debate and final vote. Bills that are given an "Amend and Do Pass" recommendation are read a second time, and if the amendment is adopted, reprinted before being placed on the General File

# FLOOR DEBATE & VOTE

Bills are read a third time and debated. A roll call vote follows. For passage of measures that require a constitutional majority, 11 votes are needed in the Senate and 22 in the Assembly. Bills with tax or fee increases require a two-thirds majority (14 votes in the Senate and 28 in the Assembly). A measure that does not receive at least the required number of votes is defeated. Any member who casts a vote on the prevailing side of a measure may serve notice of reconsideration to request a second vote. All bills that are passed by the first legislative house are then forwarded to the second legislative house where the process

# **ACTION IN THE SECOND HOUSE**

# COMMITTEE ACTION SECOND READING READING

Bill is read for the first time and referred to committee.

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Procedures and possible actions are nearly identical to those in the first legislative house.

# FLOOR DEBATE & VOTE

The procedure is identical to that in the first legislative house. If the second legislative house considers and passes a bill without amendment, it is returned to the first legislative house for enrollment and transmittal to the Governor. (Resolutions are delivered to the Secretary of State.\*) If the second legislative house amends a measure, it is returned to the house of origin for consideration of the amendment.

# Revised October 2010

\*This chart primarily reflects legislative steps for a bill. The process for a resolution varies slightly depending upon whether it is a one-house, concurrent, or joint resolution. Deadlines for final action on bills and joint resolutions by committee and house are typically established by joint rule at the beginning of session.

# RESOLUTION OF DIFFERENCES, IF NECESSARY

# CONCURRENCE

The house of origin decides whether to accept the second legislative house's amendment. If it accepts the amendment, the bill is enrolled and delivered to the Governor. When the amendment is rejected by the house of origin, the bill is returned to the second legislative house for a decision whether to withdraw (recede) the proposed changes. If the second legislative house does not recede from its amendment, a conference committee is appointed, and the bill is returned to the house of origin with a request that it appoint a like committee to meet with a committee of the second house.

# CONFERENCE

If the two-house conference committee is able to resolve the differences between the houses, it sends a conference committee report with the proposed reconciliation to the two houses. The house of origin must adopt the report first. If either house fails to adopt the report, the bill dies. However, if both legislative houses adopt the report, the bill is enrolled and delivered to the Governor.

# ROLE OF THE GOVERNOR

# SIGN OR VETO?

The Governor must act on a bill within 5 days after it is received (Sundays excepted) if the Legislature is still in session. However, if there are fewer than 5 days remaining in session, or if the bill is delivered after the adjournment sine die, the Governor has 10 days after adjournment to act. The Governor may sign the bill into law, allow it to become law without a signature, or veto it. A vetoed bill is returned to the house of origin to consider overriding the veto. An override of the veto requires a two-thirds majority vote of each legislative house. If the Governor vetoes a bill after the session adjourns sine die, the bill is returned to the next regular legislative session. Measures become effective on October 1 following the end of the legislative session, unless otherwise specified in the bill.

# APPENDIX D EXAMPLES OF BILLS, RESOLUTIONS, AND A FISCAL NOTE

### THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF A SENATE BILL

### (Reprinted with amendments adopted on April 17, 2009) FIRST REPRÎNT **S.B.** 6

# SENATE BILL NO. 6-SENATOR LEE PREFILED NOVEMBER 24, 2008

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Revises provisions regarding occupational diseases of volunteer firefighters. (BDR 53-46)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State: No.

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets formitted material is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to occupational diseases; revising certain provisions concerning heart disease as an occupational disease of volunteer firefighters; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

### **Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

Existing law provides that, under certain circumstances, heart disease of a volunteer firefighter constitutes an occupational disease for purposes of chapter 617 of NRS. (NRS 617.457) Section 2 of this bill removes the requirement that the heart disease must have occurred before the volunteer firefighter reached 55 years of age. Section 2 also revises the frequency with which the volunteer firefighter must submit to a physical examination to detect such heart disease and makes the benefits of NRS 617.457 contingent upon the volunteer firefighter's submission to the physical examinations scheduled by his employer. Finally, section 2 provides that a volunteer firefighter applicant 50 years of age or older may be responsible for payment of the costs of his physical examinations but will be reimbursed for those costs if he becomes a volunteer firefighter.

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

**Section 1.** NRS 617.454 is hereby amended to read as follows: 617.454 1. Any physical examination administered pursuant to NRS 617.455 or 617.457 must include:

(a) A thorough test of the functioning of the hearing of the employee; and

(b) A purified protein derivative skin test to screen for exposure to tuberculosis.





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2. [The] Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7 of NRS 617.457, the tests required by this section must be paid for by the employer.

**Sec. 2.** NRS 617.457 is hereby amended to read as follows:

617.457 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, diseases of the heart of a person who, for 5 years or more, has been employed in a full-time continuous, uninterrupted and salaried occupation as a firefighter or police officer in this State before the date of disablement are conclusively presumed to have arisen out of and in the course of the employment.

- 2. Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, diseases of the heart, resulting in either temporary or permanent disability or death, are occupational diseases and compensable as such under the provisions of this chapter if caused by extreme overexertion in times of stress or danger and a causal relationship can be shown by competent evidence that the disability or death arose out of and was caused by the performance of duties as a volunteer firefighter by a person entitled to the benefits of chapters 616A to 616D, inclusive, of NRS pursuant to the provisions of NRS 616A.145 and who, for 5 years or more, has served continuously as a volunteer firefighter in this State [and who has not reached the age of 55 years before the onset of the disease.] by continuously maintaining an active status on the roster of a volunteer fire department.
- 3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, each employee who is to be covered for diseases of the heart pursuant to the provisions of this section shall submit to a physical examination, including an examination of the heart, upon employment, upon commencement of coverage and thereafter on an annual basis during his employment.
- 4. A physical examination [is not required] for a volunteer firefighter [more than] is required upon initial employment and once every 3 years after [an] the initial examination [.] until the firefighter reaches the age of 50 years. Each volunteer firefighter who is 50 years of age or older shall submit to a physical examination once each year.
- 5. The employer of the volunteer firefighter is responsible for scheduling the physical examination.
- 6. Failure to submit to a physical examination that is scheduled by his employer pursuant to subsection 5 excludes the volunteer firefighter from the benefits of this section.

  7. The chief of a volunteer fire department may require an
- 7. The chief of a volunteer fire department may require an applicant to pay for any physical examination required pursuant to this section if the applicant:
- (a) Applies to the department for the first time as a volunteer firefighter; and





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(b) Is 50 years of age or older on the date of his application.
8. The volunteer fire department shall reimburse an applicant for the cost of a physical examination required pursuant to this

section if the applicant:

- (a) Paid for the physical examination in accordance with subsection 7;
- (b) Is declared physically fit to perform the duties required of a firefighter; and
  - (c) Becomes a volunteer with the volunteer fire department.

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- 9. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, all physical examinations required pursuant to [subsection] subsections 3 and 4 must be paid for by the employer.
  - [6.] 10. Failure to correct predisposing conditions which lead to heart disease when so ordered in writing by the examining physician subsequent to the annual examination excludes the employee from the benefits of this section if the correction is within the ability of the employee.

[7.] 11. A person who is determined to be:

- 20 (a) Partially disabled from an occupational disease pursuant to the provisions of this section; and
  - (b) Incapable of performing, with or without remuneration, work as a firefighter or police officer,
  - → may elect to receive the benefits provided under NRS 616C.440 for a permanent total disability.
  - [8.] 12. Claims filed under this section may be reopened at any time during the life of the claimant for further examination and treatment of the claimant upon certification by a physician of a change of circumstances related to the occupational disease which would warrant an increase or rearrangement of compensation.
    - **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2009.







# THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF AN ASSEMBLY BILL

REQUIRES TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY VOTE (§ 1.5)

(Reprinted with amendments adopted on April 15, 2009)
FIRST REPRINT A.B. 25

# ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 25-COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

(ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES)

PREFILED DECEMBER 5, 2008

# Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing examinations of applicants for a Nevada driver's license. (BDR 43-343)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: No.

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets fomitted material; is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; prohibiting the waiver of certain examinations of applicants for a Nevada driver's license who are licensed in another jurisdiction but have not attained 21 years of age; providing an exception; establishing fees for the administration of certain examinations for noncommercial drivers' licenses; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

# Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law authorizes the Department of Motor Vehicles to waive certain examinations for a person applying for a Nevada driver's license who possesses a valid driver's license of the same type or class issued by another jurisdiction but does not allow such a waiver if the person has not attained 25 years of age. (NRS 483.330) Section 1 of this bill prohibits such a waiver for a person who has not attained 21 years of age, subject to certain exceptions.

Existing law authorizes the Department to require every applicant for a driver's license to submit to an examination that may include components which test the applicant's knowledge, skills and abilities. (NRS 483.330) **Section 1.5** of this bill requires the Department to charge a fee of \$25 for the administration of the examination for a noncommercial driver's license and a fee of \$10 for each readministration of that examination to the same person.





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

**Section 1.** NRS 483.330 is hereby amended to read as follows: 483.330 1. The Department may require every applicant for a driver's license, including a commercial driver's license issued pursuant to NRS 483.900 to 483.940, inclusive, to submit to an examination. The examination may include:

- (a) A test of the applicant's ability to understand official devices used to control traffic;
- (b) A test of his knowledge of practices for safe driving and the traffic laws of this State;
- (c) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, a test of his eyesight; and
- (d) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, an actual demonstration of his ability to exercise ordinary and reasonable control in the operation of a motor vehicle of the type or class of vehicle for which he is to be licensed.
- → The examination may also include such further physical and mental examination as the Department finds necessary to determine the applicant's fitness to drive a motor vehicle safely upon the highways.
- 2. The Department may provide by regulation for the acceptance of a report from an ophthalmologist, optician or optometrist in lieu of an eye test by a driver's license examiner.
- 3. If the Department establishes a type or classification of driver's license to operate a motor vehicle of a type which is not normally available to examine an applicant's ability to exercise ordinary and reasonable control of such a vehicle, the Department may, by regulation, provide for the acceptance of an affidavit from
  - (a) Past, present or prospective employer of the applicant; or
- (b) Local joint apprenticeship committee which had jurisdiction over the training or testing, or both, of the applicant,
- → in lieu of an actual demonstration.
- 4. The Department may waive an examination pursuant to subsection 1 for a person applying for a Nevada driver's license who possesses a valid driver's license of the same type or class issued by another jurisdiction unless that person:
- (a) Has not attained [25] 21 years of age [;], except that the Department may, based on the driving record of the applicant, waive the examination to demonstrate his ability to exercise ordinary and reasonable control in the operation of a motor vehicle of the same type or class of vehicle for which he is to be licensed;





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- 1 (b) Has had his license or privilege to drive a motor vehicle 2 suspended, revoked or cancelled or has been otherwise disqualified 3 from driving during the immediately preceding 4 years;
  - (c) Has been convicted of a violation of NRS 484.37955 or, during the immediately preceding 7 years, of a violation of NRS 484.379, 484.3795 or 484.379778 or a law of any other jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct;
  - (d) Has restrictions to his driver's license which the Department must reevaluate to ensure the safe driving of a motor vehicle by that person;
  - (e) Has had three or more convictions of moving traffic violations on his driving record during the immediately preceding 4 years; or
  - (f) Has been convicted of any of the offenses related to the use or operation of a motor vehicle which must be reported pursuant to the provisions of Parts 1327 et seq. of Title 23 of the Code of Federal Regulations relating to the National Driver Register Problem Driver Pointer System during the immediately preceding 4 years.
  - **Sec. 1.5.** NRS 483.410 is hereby amended to read as follows: 483.410 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6 and NRS 483.417, for every driver's license, including a motorcycle driver's license, issued and service performed, the following fees must be charged:

26 An original or renewal license issued to a person 65 27 years of age or older.....\$13.50 28 An original or renewal license issued to any person 29 less than 65 years of age ......18.50 30 Administration of the examination required by 31 NRS 483.330 for a noncommercial driver's 32 license ..... 33 Each readministration to the same person of the 34 examination required by NRS 483.330 for a 35 36 37 revocation or cancellation, except a revocation for a violation of NRS 484.379, 484.3795, 38 39 484.37955 or 484.379778, or pursuant to NRS 40 484.384 and 484.385......40.00 Reinstatement of a license after revocation for a 41 42 violation of NRS 484.379, 484.3795, 484.37955 43 or 484.379778, or pursuant to NRS 484.384 and 44 





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1	A new photograph, change of name, change of
2	other information, except address, or any
3	combination\$5.00
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2. For every motorcycle endorsement to a driver's license, a fee of \$5 must be charged.

- If no other change is requested or required, the Department shall not charge a fee to convert the number of a license from the licensee's social security number, or a number that was formulated by using the licensee's social security number as a basis for the number, to a unique number that is not based on the licensee's social security number.
- Except as otherwise provided in NRS 483.417, the increase in fees authorized by NRS 483.347 and the fees charged pursuant to NRS 483.415 must be paid in addition to the fees charged pursuant to subsections 1 and 2.
- 5. A penalty of \$10 must be paid by each person renewing his 18 license after it has expired for a period of 30 days or more as 19 provided in NRS 483.386 unless he is exempt pursuant to that 20 21 section.
- 22 The Department may not charge a fee for the reinstatement 23 of a driver's license that has been: 24
  - (a) Voluntarily surrendered for medical reasons; or
  - (b) Cancelled pursuant to NRS 483.310.
- 26 7. All fees and penalties are payable to the Administrator at the 27 time a license or a renewal license is issued.
  - Except as otherwise provided in NRS 483.340, subsection 3 of NRS 483.3485, NRS 483.415 and 483.840, and subsection 3 of NRS 483.863, all money collected by the Department pursuant to this chapter must be deposited in the State Treasury for credit to the Motor Vehicle Fund.
- 33 **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2009.





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### THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF A SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

# (Reprinted with amendments adopted on April 13, 2009) FIRST REPRINT S.J.R. 2

# SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2–COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

FEBRUARY 9, 2009

### Referred to Committee on Natural Resources

SUMMARY—Urges Congress to take certain actions concerning wilderness areas and wilderness study areas. (BDR R-604)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: No.

EXPLANATION – Matter in **bolded italics** is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION—Urging the Nevada Congressional Delegation and Congress to take certain actions concerning wilderness areas and wilderness study areas.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:** 

Federal law provides for the establishment of wilderness areas and wilderness study areas on public lands. This resolution urges the Nevada Congressional Delegation and Congress: (1) to comply with the definitions and requirements found in the Wilderness Act, 16 U.S.C. §§ 1131 et seq., before approving new wilderness areas; (2) to seek the release of wilderness study areas that have been determined by the Bureau of Land Management of the United States Department of the Interior not to meet the requirements for such a designation; and (3) to support the establishment of a schedule for the timely release of wilderness study areas that are found unsuitable for designation as wilderness areas.

WHEREAS, The provisions of 16 U.S.C. §§ 1131 et seq., commonly referred to as the Wilderness Act, establish the National Wilderness Preservation System, which consists of areas of federal public lands that are designated by Congress as wilderness areas; and

WHEREAS, The Wilderness Act includes specific definitions and requirements for designating public lands as wilderness areas; and

WHEREAS, The provisions of the Wilderness Act and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. §§





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1701 et seq., provide for the study of certain areas of land to determine whether those areas, commonly known as wilderness study areas, are suitable for designation as wilderness areas; and

WHEREAS, In accordance with the provisions of the Wilderness Act and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act, the Bureau of Land Management of the United States Department of the Interior, in the late 1970s, conducted an initial inventory of approximately 49 million acres of public lands in Nevada to determine the suitability of those lands for designation as wilderness areas or identification as wilderness study areas and, in 1980, recommended that approximately 5.1 million acres of those lands be identified as wilderness study areas; and

WHEREAS, Although many of the areas that were not appropriate for designation as wilderness areas or identification as wilderness study areas have been released for multiple use under the Federal Land Policy and Management Act, the Bureau of Land Management continues to manage approximately 2.55 million acres of public lands in Nevada identified as wilderness study areas; and

WHEREAS, The residents of this State rely on the use of federal lands for mining, livestock grazing and recreation, and wilderness designations raise concerns regarding access to and use of public lands for economic development, fire suppression and recreation; and

WHEREAS, Decisions concerning whether to designate wilderness study areas as wilderness areas or to release those areas for multiple use are important and must be made in a timely manner and without any unnecessary delays so that those lands which are suitable for designation as wilderness areas may be afforded full protection as wilderness areas, and those lands which are not suitable for designation as wilderness areas may be released for use and management for the public good in accordance with law; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, JOINTLY, That the members of the Nevada Legislature urge the Nevada Congressional Delegation and Congress:

- 1. To comply fully with the definitions and requirements found in the Wilderness Act in determining whether to designate public lands as wilderness areas or identify public lands as wilderness study areas;
- 2. To seek the release of wilderness study areas that have been determined by the Bureau of Land Management not to meet the requirements for designation as wilderness areas; and
- 3. To support the establishment of a schedule for the timely release of wilderness study areas that do not meet the requirements for designation as wilderness areas; and be it further





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RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to the Vice President of the United States as the presiding officer of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and each member of the Nevada Congressional Delegation; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution becomes effective upon passage.





# THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF AN ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION

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ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 7-ASSEMBLYMEN AIZLEY, MCCLAIN, KIRKPATRICK, KOIVISTO, BUCKLEY; ARBERRY, ATKINSON, BOBZIEN, CLABORN, CONKLIN, DONDERO LOOP, GOICOECHEA, GRADY, HOGAN, HORNE, KIHUEN, MORTENSON, MUNFORD, OHRENSCHALL, PARNELL, PIERCE, SEGERBLOM AND SMITH

MARCH 16, 2009

Referred to Committee on Elections, Procedures, Ethics, and Constitutional Amendments

SUMMARY—Proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution to repeal provisions relating to lotteries. (BDR C-1040)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State: No

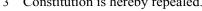
EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets formitted material; is material to be omitted.

ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION—Proposing to amend the Nevada Constitution by repealing provisions relating to lotteries.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:** 

Section 24 of Article 4 of the Nevada Constitution prohibits the State or any political subdivision thereof from conducting a lottery. The provision allows, however, charitable or nonprofit organizations to conduct certain lotteries, provided that the proceeds benefit charitable and nonprofit activities in Nevada. This resolution repeals that provision of the Nevada Constitution, thereby removing the prohibition on conducting a lottery in this State.

1 RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY AND SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, JOINTLY, That Section 24 of Article 4 of the Nevada Constitution is hereby repealed.







# THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF AN ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION (continued)

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### TEXT OF REPEALED SECTION

Sec: 24. Lotteries.

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, no lottery may be authorized by this State, nor may lottery tickets be sold.

2. The State and the political subdivisions thereof shall not operate a lottery. The Legislature may authorize persons engaged in charitable activities or activities not for profit to operate a lottery in the form of a raffle or drawing on their own behalf. All proceeds of the lottery, less expenses directly related to the operation of the lottery, must be used only to benefit charitable or nonprofit activities in this State. A charitable or nonprofit organization shall not employ or otherwise engage any person to organize or operate its lottery for compensation. The Legislature may provide by law for the regulation of such lotteries.







# THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF A SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

S.C.R. 8

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8-SENATORS HORSFORD; AMODEI, BREEDEN, CARE, CARLTON, CEGAVSKE, COFFIN, COPENING, HARDY, LEE, MATHEWS, MCGINNESS, NOLAN, PARKS, RAGGIO, RHOADS, SCHNEIDER, TOWNSEND, WASHINGTON, WIENER AND WOODHOUSE

# FEBRUARY 19, 2009

Joint Sponsors: Assemblymen Dondero Loop; Aizley, Anderson, Arberry, Atkinson, Bobzien, Buckley, Carpenter, Christensen, Claborn, Cobb, Conklin, Denis, Gansert, Goedhart, Goicoechea, Grady, Gustavson, Hambrick, Hardy, Hogan, Horne, Kihuen, Kirkpatrick, Koivisto, Leslie, Manendo, Mastroluca, McArthur, McClain, Mortenson, Munford, Oceguera, Ohrenschall, Parnell, Pierce, Segerblom, Settelmeyer, Smith, Spiegel, Stewart and Woodbury

# Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Honors Guy Rocha for his extraordinary service as Nevada's State Archivist. (BDR R-1033)

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets formitted material; is material to be omitted.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Honoring Guy Rocha for his extraordinary service as Nevada's State Archivist.

WHEREAS, Guy Louis Rocha, Nevada's State Archivist since 1981, retired on February 2, 2009, after serving this State with great skill, expertise and tireless passion for its history and is regarded as one of the foremost experts on the annals of our State and its political foundations and leaders; and

WHEREAS, Nevada's State Archives program, which Guy Rocha carefully guided and enhanced for 28 years, preserves the records that document our governmental history dating back to 1851; and

WHEREAS, Through the hard work and vision of Guy Rocha and his staff, Nevada's State Archives now maintains and preserves, in a well-designed, functional and accessible facility, more than 15,000



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1 cubic feet of territorial and state government records and over
2 100,000 images of the people and places of Nevada that provide
3 visual information which complement the Archives' documentation
4 of Nevada history; and
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WHEREAS, In coordination with leaders of the Senate and the staff of the Legislative Counsel Bureau, Guy Rocha worked diligently for 20 years to research and identify early members of the Nevada Senate who made exemplary contributions to the State that merited their induction into the Senate Hall of Fame; and

WHEREAS, The Assembly Wall of Distinction and projects recognizing former Assembly Speakers benefited from Guy Rocha's research and deep understanding and appreciation of the Nevada Legislature and the State's political history; and

WHEREAS, With great enthusiasm, Guy Rocha dug into Nevada's rich and complex history, willingly shared the many veins of knowledge he uncovered and brought this remarkable story back to life for modern-era Nevadans to both learn from and enjoy; and

WHEREAS, Guy's efforts to promote knowledge and understanding of Nevada's fascinating past include hosting the *History for Lunch Bunch*, a local radio program, and the *High Desert Forum* on National Public Radio in Reno, being featured on numerous public television segments in *The Nevada Experience* series and serving as a consultant and commentator for a critically acclaimed documentary on the A&E Network, *Las Vegas: Gamble in the Desert/House of Cards*; and

WHEREAS, Guy Rocha, who grew up in southern Nevada, graduated from Clark High School, received his bachelor's degree from Syracuse University and his master's degree from San Diego State University and took postgraduate studies in history at the University of Nevada, Reno, is perhaps best known as the author of the popular newspaper column "Historical Myth a Month," in which Guy debunked local historical myths that long went unchallenged, using his strong belief that "the truth matters"; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the members of the 75th Nevada Legislature recognize that throughout his service to this State, Guy Rocha demonstrated exceptional dedication, enthusiasm and perseverance in accurately chronicling and properly preserving Nevada's history; and be it further

RESOLVED, That Nevadans will forever remember the benefits Guy has bestowed on this State, its vital public records program and its overall historical awareness; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to Guy Rocha.







# THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF AN ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

# A.C.R. 19

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 19-COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS, PROCEDURES, ETHICS, AND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

# MARCH 20, 2009

Referred to Committee on Elections, Procedures, Ethics, and Constitutional Amendments

SUMMARY—Directs the Legislative Commission to conduct an interim study of the requirements for reapportionment and redistricting. (BDR R-1281)

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets formitted material; is material to be omitted.

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Directing the Legislative Commission to conduct an interim study of the requirements for reapportionment and redistricting in the State of Nevada.

WHEREAS, The 76th Session of the Nevada Legislature will be required to reapportion and redistrict the election districts for the members of the Legislature, the members of the United States House of Representatives from the State of Nevada, the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada and the State Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, The Bureau of the Census of the United States Department of Commerce is required to deliver redistricting data from the decennial census in 2010 to the states not later than April 1, 2011, when the Nevada Legislature will already be in session; and

WHEREAS, The amount of data from the census in 2010 and the necessity to accomplish reapportionment and redistricting in an expeditious manner during the 76th Session of the Nevada Legislature will require additional computer software and extensive preparation and testing to allow for the generation and analysis of proposals concerning reapportionment and redistricting; and

WHEREAS, The reapportionment and redistricting must comply with current case law and constitutional and statutory legal requirements; and



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WHEREAS, The Nevada Legislature has been working with the Bureau of the Census on the Voting District/Block Boundary Suggestion Project and other programs in preparation for the census in 2010 and the process of reapportionment and redistricting; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That the Legislative Commission is hereby directed to study the requirements for reapportionment and redistricting in this State in conjunction with the data from the decennial census of 2010; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the study include:

- 1. A continuing examination and monitoring of any redistricting systems established or recommended by the 75th Session of the Nevada Legislature, or to be established pursuant to any legislation enacted by the 75th Session of the Nevada Legislature, including the requirements for computer equipment, computer software and the training of personnel;
- 18 2. A review of the case law concerning planning for 19 reapportionment and redistricting in other states;
- 20 3. A review of the programs concerning planning for 21 reapportionment and redistricting in other states;
- 4. The continuation of the State's participation in the programs of the Bureau of the Census; and
- 5. The participation in a program of the Bureau of the Census to increase the awareness of the general public concerning the census to ensure a complete and accurate count of all Nevadans in the year 2010; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Legislative Commission may enter into contracts or other necessary agreements to establish and test reapportionment and redistricting programs and computer equipment to provide for the timely and efficient commencement of data processing for reapportionment and redistricting before the Legislature convenes in 2011; and be it further

RESOLVED, That no action may be taken by the interim study committee on recommended legislation unless it receives a majority vote of the Assemblymen on the committee and a majority vote of the Senators on the committee; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Legislative Commission report to the 76th Session of the Nevada Legislature the results of the study and any action taken in preparation for and any recommendations concerning reapportionment and redistricting.







### THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

S.R. 11

# SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 11–COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS

MAY 28, 2009

Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Designates Senate members of the Legislative Commission for the 2009-2011 biennium. (BDR R-1330)

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets formitted material; is material to be omitted.

SENATE RESOLUTION—Designating certain members of the Senate as regular and alternate members of the Legislative Commission for the 2009-2011 biennium.

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, That pursuant to the provisions of NRS 218.660 and the Joint Standing Rules of the Legislature, Senators Steven A. Horsford, Joyce Woodhouse, Maggie Carlton, Randolph J. Townsend, Warren B. Hardy, II and Maurice E. Washington are designated as the regular Senate members of the Legislative Commission; and be it further

RESOLVED, That Senators Valerie Wiener and Allison Copening are designated as the first and second alternate members, respectively, for Senator Steven A. Horsford; Senators Michael A. Schneider and David R. Parks are designated as the first and second alternate members, respectively, for Senator Joyce Woodhouse; Senators John J. Lee and Shirley A. Breeden are designated as the first and second alternate members, respectively, for Senator Maggie Carlton; Senators Dennis Nolan and Mike McGinness are designated as the first and second alternate members, respectively, for Senator Randolph J. Townsend; Senators Barbara K. Cegavske and Mark E. Amodei are designated as the first and second alternate members, respectively, for Senator Warren B. Hardy, II; Senators Dean A. Rhoads and William J. Raggio are designated as the first and second alternate members, respectively, for Senator Maurice E. Washington; and be it further



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RESOLVED, That the procedure for requesting an alternate member to replace a regular member during his absence at a meeting must be as follows:

1. The Secretary of the Legislative Commission shall establish a record of service of alternate members at meetings of the Legislative Commission and shall maintain a list of the alternate members for each individual Senator or group of Senators. Each list must contain a numerical designation in ascending order for each alternate member on the list. The initial sequence in which the alternate members must be listed must correspond to their designation as alternates in this resolution.

2. If a regular member of the Legislative Commission is unable to attend a scheduled meeting of the Legislative Commission and notifies the Secretary of the Legislative Commission, the Secretary shall request the alternate member with the lowest numerical designation on the appropriate list to replace the regular member at the meeting. If the alternate member does not agree to serve, the Secretary shall make the same request of the alternate member with the next higher numerical designation on the list, and so on through the list until an alternate member agrees to replace the regular member.

3. An alternate member who agrees to replace a regular member at a meeting of the Legislative Commission loses the numerical designation he had on the appropriate list at the time he was requested to serve. The Secretary of the Legislative Commission shall, when the alternate member agrees to replace the regular member, assign to that alternate member the highest numerical designation on the appropriate list. At the same time, the Secretary shall also reduce by one the numerical designation in the appropriate list to those alternate members who have higher numerical designations in the appropriate list than the alternate member who has agreed to serve.

4. An alternate member who is requested to replace a regular member at a meeting of the Legislative Commission, but who does not agree to replace the regular member, does not lose the numerical designation he had on the appropriate list at the time of the request.







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# THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF AN ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION

A.R. 3

ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION NO. 3—COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS, PROCEDURES, ETHICS, AND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

**FEBRUARY 2, 2009** 

# Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Provides allowances to the leadership and other members of the Assembly for periodicals, stamps, stationery and communications. (BDR R-971)

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new: matter between brackets formitted material is material to be omitted.

ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION—Providing allowances to the leadership and other members of the Assembly for periodicals, stamps, stationery and communications.

RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, That the sum to be allowed, as provided by law, for each member of the Assembly for periodicals, stamps and stationery is \$60 and for the use of telephones is \$2,800, and the sum to be allowed, as provided by law, for the Speaker, Speaker Pro Tempore, Majority Floor Leader, Minority Floor Leader and chairman of each standing committee of the Assembly for postage, telephone tolls and other communication charges is \$900; and be it further

RESOLVED, That these amounts be certified by the Speaker and the Chief Clerk to the State Controller, who is authorized to draw his warrants therefor on the Legislative Fund, and the State Treasurer is thereafter authorized to pay these warrants.





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# THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF A FISCAL NOTE

BDR 38-593 AB 337

# EXECUTIVE AGENCY FISCAL NOTE

AGENCY'S ESTIMATES

Agency Submitting: Attorney General

Date Prepared: March 23, 2009

Items of Revenue or Expense, or Both		Fiscal Year 2008-09	Fiscal Year 2009-10	Fiscal Year 2010-11	Effect on Future Biennia
Personnel (Expense)			\$145,327	\$193,769	\$387,538
Out-of-State Travel (Expense)			\$2,910	\$2,910	\$5,820
In-State Travel (Expense)			\$9,882	\$13,176	\$26,352
Operating (Expense)			\$14,342	\$15,135	\$30,270
Equipment (Expense)			\$7,653		
Information Services (Expense)			\$7,811	\$241	\$482
Training (Expense)			\$577	\$577	\$1,154
	Total	0	\$188,502	\$225,808	\$451,616

### Explanation

(Use Additional Sheets of Attachments, if required)

BDR 38-593 proposes the creation of the Office of the Statewide Coordinator for Children Who Are Endangered by Drug Exposure within the Office of the Attorney General. The fiscal note includes costs relative to two positions, a Statewide Coordinator and an Administrative Assistant II.

It is anticipated that grant funding will be available and obtained to support this function within the Office of the Attorney General.

	Name	Jennifer Barney
	Title	Regulatory Manager
DEPARTMENT OF ADMNISTRATION'S COMMENTS The agency's response appears reasonable.	Date	Monday, March 23, 2009
	Name	Andrew K. Clinger
	Title	Director

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		Deficits	15,106	•		15,106		
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	6200 Per diem & Lodging (\$190) 6210 Motor Pool-daily (\$25) 6240 Personal Vehicle (Approx \$35) 6250 Airfare (\$299)	Estimated two in-state trips per month at approximately \$549 per trip	549	24	9,882	549	24	13,17
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## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL BUREAU BULLETINS

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1	A Survey of the Functions of the Offices, Departments, Institutions, and Agencies of
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2	A Survey of Power and Industrial Facilities in Southern Nevada (1947).
3	A Survey of Sales Taxes Applicable to Nevada (1948).
4	Administrative Reorganization for Effective Government Management in Nevada
	(Gorvine, 1948).
5	Financial and Administrative Problems of Nevada Schools, and Suggested Solutions (1948).
6	A Survey of the Functions of the Insurance Commissioner (1948).
7	County Consolidation and Reorganization in Nevada (1948).
8	Report of the Legislative Counsel 1947-1948 (1948).
9	Survey of Recodification Problems in Nevada (1950).
10	Survey of the Nevada Hospital for Mental Diseases (1950).
11	Report of the Legislative Auditor 1949-1950 (1950).
12	A Survey of State-Owned Automobiles in Nevada (1950).
13	Report of the Nevada Legislative Counsel Bureau (1950).
14 15	Analysis of Appropriations Made by Nevada Legislature 1951 Session (1951). Home Rule in Nevada (1952).
16	Nevada's Registration Law (1952).
17	Report of the Legislative Auditor 1951-1952 (1952).
18	Survey of Handicapped Children in Nevada (DeWhitt, 1952).
19	Housing Aged Persons in Nevada (1952).
20	Report of the Nevada Legislative Counsel Bureau (1953).
21	Analysis of Appropriations Made by Nevada Legislature 1953 Session (1953).
22	Report of the Legislative Auditor 1953-1954 (1954).
23	Public Health Administration in Nevada (1954).
24	Nevada Sexual Deviation Research (1955).
25	Legislation Toward Effective Library and Related Services for the People of Nevada (1954).
26	Analysis of Appropriations by the 1955 Legislature and Analysis of General Fund Activities Biennium 1953-1955 (1955).
27	Report of the Legislative Auditor 1955-1956 (1956).
28	The University of Nevada: An Appraisal (McHenry Report, 1956).
29	Analysis of Appropriations by the 1957 Legislature and Analysis of General Fund Activities Biennium 1955-1957 (1957).
30	Report of the Legislative Auditor 1957-1958 (1958).
31	Alcoholism in Nevada (1958).
32	A Study of the Presidential Primary (1958).
33	Temporary Disability Benefits (1958).
34 35	The Nevada School of Industry: An Appraisal (1958).
36	The Beneficial Use of Water in Nevada (1959). Survey of Fish and Game Problems in Nevada (1959).
37	A Study of Administrative Law; Administrative Rule Making; The Conduct of
31	Administrative Hearings and The Judicial Rule Thereof (1958).
38	Analysis of Appropriations by the 1959 Legislature and Analysis of General Fund Activities Biennium 1957-1959 (1959).
39	Report of the Legislative Auditor 1958-1959 (1959).
40	A Study of the Feasibility of Establishing a Nevada Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation (1959).
41	A Study of State Bonding and Insurance Problems (1960).

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42	A Study of the Election Laws of Nevada Relating to Primary and General Elections (1960).
43	Analysis of Appropriations by the 1960 Legislature and Analysis of General Fund Activities Fiscal Year 1959-1960 (1960).
44	Financing State and Local Government in Nevada (Zubrow Report, 1960).
45	Report of the Legislative Auditor 1959-1960 (1960).
46	State and County Welfare Administration in Nevada (Barrick Report, 1960).
47	Mentally Retarded Children in Nevada: An Appraisal (1960).
48	Judicial Retirement in Nevada (1961).
49	Analysis of Appropriations by the 1961 Legislature and Analysis of General Func
7/	Activities Fiscal Year 1960-1961 (1961).
50	Report of the Legislative Auditor 1960-1961 (1961).
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52	Restoration and Preservation of Nevada's Historic Cemeteries (1962).
	Rehabilitation of Sex Offenders in Nevada: An Evaluation (1962).
53	Incidental Charges to the Purchasers of Dwellings (Under FHA and VA Insured of
5 4 A	Guaranteed Mortgages) (1962).
54A	Audit Reports of Departments and Agencies (1962).
54B	Audit Reports of Departments and Agencies (1963).
55	Problems Involved in Financing Public Buildings With Lease-Purchase Agreements
	(1962).
56	A Study of the Problems Relating to the Use of Checks and Drafts in the Purchase of
	Livestock and Agricultural Products (1962).
57	Home Rule Study (Mimeographed, 1963).
58	Child Welfare and Adoption in Nevada—A New Law and a New Approach (Mitler
	1963).
*58A	A Survey of Adoption Practices in Nevada 1961 (No Number, 1961).
59	Audit Reports of Departments and Agencies (1963-1964).
60	Nevada's Uniform Commercial Code (1967).
*61	Legislative Manual, State of Nevada, 1965.
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*65	Bill Drafting Manual (1966).
66	Revision of Nevada's Substantive Criminal Law and Procedure in Criminal Cases (Criminal Code) (1966).
67	Taxation of Banks and Other Financial Institutions in the State of Nevada (1966).
68	Study of General Fund Revenues of the State of Nevada (Lybrand, 1966).
68A	Summary of the Study of General Fund Revenues of the State of Nevada (1966).
69	State Financial Support for Public Schools (1967).
70	Audit Reports of Departments and Agencies of the State of Nevada (1966-1967).
71	Audit Reports of Departments and Agencies of the State of Nevada (Vols. I and II 1967-1968).
72	Economic Regulation of Business and Unfair Competition (1968).
73	Fish and Game Laws (1968).
*73A	Fish and Game Laws (Supplemental Report, 1969).
74	Nevada's Court Structure (1968).
75	Legislative Techniques (1969).
76	Need and Feasibility of Establishing an Estate Tax in Nevada (1969).
*77	Legislative Manual, State of Nevada, 1969.

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79	The Marlette Lake Water System—A Report on the Feasibility and Desirability of its Retention (1969).
80	Illegal Narcotic and Drug Use in Nevada (1969).
81	Nevada State Hospital Procedures (1969).
82	Motor Vehicle Laws and Highway Safety Standards (1969).
83	Nevada's Laws Regulating Savings and Loan Associations (1969).
84	The Activities and Services of the Welfare Division of the Department of Health Welfare and Rehabilitation (1969).
85	Revision of Nevada's Mining Laws (1969).
86	Audit Reports of Departments and Agencies of the State of Nevada (1968-1969).
87	Audit Report (1970).
88	County Courts for Nevada (1970).
89	Legislative Manual 1971.
90	Proposed Evidence Code for the State of Nevada (1970).
91	Consumer Protection (1970).
92	Nevada Municipal Governments (1970).
93	Gaming Supervision and Control in Nevada (1970).
94	Museums for Southern Nevada (1970).
95	Highway Safety Standards and Motor Vehicle Carriers: A Continuation Study (1970).
96	Nevada's Community Property Laws (1970).
97	State-Supported Communications Systems (1970).
98	Report on the Continuation Study of the Marlette Lake Water System (1971).
99	Audit Reports of Departments and Agencies of the State of Nevada (Issued by the Fiscal Analyst) (1971).
100	Fiscal Analyst Report (1972).
101	Subcommittee Study of Facilities for Juvenile Offenders (1972).
102	Legislative Printing Requirements and Costs (1972).
103	Legislative Manual 1973.
104	NIC Report (1972).
105	Continuation Study of Nevada Municipal Government (1972).
106	Subdivision Planning and Zoning (1972).
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109	Continuation Study of Highway Safety Standards and Motor Vehicle Laws (1972).
110	Senior Citizens Tax Relief Study (1972).
111	Nevada Election Laws (1972).
112	Legislative Rules Study (1972).
113	Nevada Probate Statutes (1974).
114	Counsel Bureau Organization and Legislative Procedures (1974).
115	Consolidation of State and Local Welfare Programs (1974).
116	Development of the Practice of Chinese Medicine (1974).
117	Mental Health Care Facilities and Programs (Interim Report 1974).
118	Unincorporated Town Governments (1974).
119	Mobile Home Taxation (1974).
120	Temporary Disability Insurance (1974).
121	Financial Condition of Public Housing Authorities (1974).
122	Tax Exemptions for Charitable Societies (1974).
123	Nevada Legislative Counsel Bureau Staff Study on the Role of the Lieutenant Governo (1974).

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126	Legislative Manual 1975.
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77-3	Personnel and Administrative Practices of the Court System and District Attorneys.
77-4	Funding Nevada's Courts.
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77-6	Deriving Additional State Benefits from Public Lands.
77-7	Skilled Nursing Facilities and Problems of the Aged and Aging.
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11-9	System.
77-10	Roles of the State Health Division and Local Governments in Approving Construction Projects.
77-11	Creation, Financing and Governance of General Improvement Districts.
77-12	Problems Confronting the Dairy Industry.
77-13	General Funding for the Support of the Nevada Department of Fish and Game.
77-14	Regional Water and Sewer in Washoe County.
77-15	Problems Related to the State Permanent School Fund.
77-16	Recommendations by the Citizens' Advisory Committee Studying Sexual Discrimination in Nevada's Laws.
77-17	Review of Regulations of Executive Agencies by the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau.
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77-20	Study of Intergovernmental Payments.
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79-3	Community College Division of the University of Nevada System.
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79-0 79-7	Unclaimed Property in Nevada.
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	Education.
79-9	Problems Concerning Professional Liability Insurance.
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85-2	Study of Public Broadcasting in Nevada.
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85-6	Disposal of High Level Radioactive Waste in Nevada.
85-7	Study of the Feasibility and Desirability of Establishing and Maintaining a Veterans' Cemetery in Nevada.
85-8	Study of the Methods of Taxing Electrical Power Plants and Distributing the Resulting
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85-9	Study of Education in Nevada.
85-10	Regional Water Authorities and Other Water Issues.
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03-11	Study of Suicide Prevention.
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03-17	Marlette Lake Water System Advisory Committee.
03-18	Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum.
03-19	Legislative Committee on Health Care.
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11-17	Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults With Special Needs (NRS 218E.750).
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# APPENDIX F LEGISLATIVE TERMINOLOGY

## LEGISLATIVE TERMINOLOGY

Act	. A bill passed by both houses and signed by the Governor.
	. Any step of parliamentary procedure upon a
Adjournment	proposed law or resolution.  The ending of a legislative day; regular adjournment sets the date for the next meeting.
-	A public notice document generated and posted by each committee listing bills to be considered by the committee on a given date and time.
Amend	. To alter formally by modification, deletion, or addition.
Amendment	The document that reflects the proposed change (modify by adding, deleting, or changing) to a bill.
Apportionment	. A division of the state into districts from which
Appropriation	members of the Legislature are elected.  A legislative grant of money for a specific purpose.
Assembly	One of the two chambers in a bicameral
Attaché	legislature; some states use the name "House of Representatives."  An employee of the Senate or the Assembly.
	An omnibus act authorizing and limiting, except under certain conditions, the expenditure of special or dedicated revenues for government departments and programs.
Bar of the Assembly	The dividing line between the floor of the Assembly chamber and the public area.
Bicameral legislature	. A two-house legislature Occurring every two years; applied to the
Bill	scheduled regular session of the Legislature.  A draft of a proposed law presented for
Bill Draft Request	enactment(BDR) A bill draft request submitted to the Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB) by a legislator, an executive agency, a member of the judiciary, or a local government, and assigned a two-part number; the first part, the title number of <i>Nevada Revised Statutes</i> (NRS), the second part,
Boilerplate	a unique sequence number for a session.  Standard bill drafting language common to various subjects and designed to maintain the legal consistency of the language of the NRS.
Bond	. A certificate of indebtedness issued by the
Budget	government in return for money it has borrowed. Estimate of the receipts and expenditures needed to carry out programs for a fiscal period.

By request	Introduction of a measure by a legislator on behalf of a private individual or group.
Calendar day	Each consecutive day on the calendar for the
	duration of the legislative session, whether or not the houses convene.
Caucus	Conference of legislative party members to decide
	on party policies and action, or a meeting of the
	legislators from a particular county or group of counties.
Certification of visitation	A document generated by the Sergeant at Arms
	for guests of a member.
Chief Clerk	The members of the Assembly elect a Chief Clerk
	who serves as the administrative officer and parliamentarian of the Assembly.
Closing budgets	The process whereby final action is taken by the
0.000mg 0.00g 0.00mg	money committees on individual budgets.
Committee meeting schedule	A document listing the Assembly standing
	committees, their membership, their meeting place, days, and time. Also included is a list of
	the majority and minority leadership and each
	member's office telephone number.
Committee of the whole	
	of the house usually convened to informally
Concur	consider proposed legislation Agree to an amendment on a bill/resolution
Concui	adopted by the other house.
Concurrent resolution	A resolution that will be heard and acted on in
G	both the Senate and Assembly.
Conference committee	A joint meeting of a conference committee from each of the two houses whose function is to arrive
	at a single version of a bill that has passed both
	houses in different form.
Consent calendar	
	is voted on as a single roll call vote instead of roll calls on each bill on the list.
Constitution	The written instrument agreed upon by the people
	of the United States, or of a particular state, as
	the absolute rule of action and decision for the
Daily File	government List or docket of bills awaiting action, entered in
Daily File	order reported.
Engrossment	The preparation of a bill or joint resolution
	for third reading and concurrent resolutions
	for adoption by incorporating all amendments
Enrollment	adopted, and proofreading.  The final printing of a bill or resolution after.
	enactment by both houses.
Executive Budget	Program of expected revenues and proposed
	expenditures comparing current, future, and past
	completed years for existing programs, and

Exemption	projecting revenues and expenditures of new programs for future years. The <i>Executive Budget</i> is proposed by the Governor and the Budget Administrator of the Budget Division of the Department of Administration.  A designation made by the Fiscal Analysis Division of the LCB that a bill may be processed outside of the 120-day deadlines due to its impact on the Fragutine Budget.
Ex officio	on the <i>Executive Budget</i> . Holding two offices; holding another office by virtue of or because of the holding of the first office.
Expunge	. To delete or remove completely.
	Introduction of a bill in either house of the Legislature by giving it a number and reading it before the full house by title before it is referred
F. 1	to the appropriate committee.
Fiscal note	Analysis required by statute to be prepared by an executive agency estimating revenue or expenditure changes that would be entailed by the passage of a proposed bill. The Fiscal Analysis Division of the LCB prepares this estimate to accompany any bill that reduces the revenues or increases the expenditures of a local government.
Floor	Recognition by the Chair for the purpose of discussion, debate, or remarks while a house is in session.
Floor leader	A member chosen by the majority/minority party as their spokesperson.
General Appropriation Act	An omnibus act appropriating funds for government departments or programs, usually from the State General Fund.
General File	The third reading file of bills and joint resolutions due for consideration in the houses.
General law	. A law of general, or potentially general, application throughout the state.
Grandfather clause	A provision in a bill making it inapplicable to activities or personnel involved prior to the
Hearing	enactment of new legislation.  A session of a legislative committee at which witnesses present testimony on matters under
History	consideration by the committee.  A cumulative daily list of actions on all measures in the houses.
House	The lower body of a two-body legislature.
	. A formal accusation against a public official by the Assembly. After the Assembly has impeached,
Initiative petition	the Senate tries the official.  (IP) A procedure that enables a specified number of voters to propose, by petition, a law

Interim	or constitutional amendment, and to secure its submission to the electorate for approval.  The period from the adjournment sine die of one regular legislative session to the convening of the next regular session.
Introduction	The initial presentation of a bill or resolution for consideration by a house.
Joint committee	A committee comprised of one standing committee of the Assembly and one of the Senate for joint
Joint Session	consideration of measures.  A floor session in which both houses participate for the specific purpose of hearing a presentation by a congressional representative or Nevada Constitutional officer.
Journal	Record of daily proceedings in the houses.
	Bill passed by both houses and approved by the Governor, or, if vetoed by the Governor, the veto
Leadership	overridden by a two-thirds vote of each house.  Includes the presiding officers of both houses (President of the Senate and President pro Tempore; Speaker of the Assembly and
Legislative Commission	Speaker pro Tempore) and the floor leaders of both houses (Majority and Minority Leaders, Assistant Majority Leaders, and Assistant Minority Leaders).  A body consisting of 12 legislators from both houses who exercise general policy-making and supervising authority over the operations of the
Lanielativa Courael Duraeu	LCB.
Legislative Coulisel Buleau	(LCB) A nonpartisan centralized agency that serves both houses and legislators.
Legislative day	Each day that the houses actually convene. These do not necessarily coincide in number with
	calendar days.  The methods of procedure determined by the Legislature at the beginning of a session.
Lobbyist	A representative of a special interest who attends sessions to oppose or support the enactment of
Majority Floor Leader	legislation.  A member of either house chosen by the members of the majority party in that house as their spokesman.
Minority Floor Leader	A member of either house chosen by the members of the minority party in that house as their
Money committees	spokesman.  The committees in each house that hear all appropriations requests and recommend the appropriations bills; specifically, the Assembly Standing Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Standing Committee on Finance.
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Motion	A statement by a legislator proposing action to be
Nevada Administrative Code	taken by the body. (NAC) The compilation of all effective, permanent
Nevada Revised Statutes	regulations adopted by Nevada state agencies, except those of certain exempted agencies, after review by the Legislative Commission (NRS) The statutory law of Nevada of a general nature enacted by the Legislature, with such law arranged in an orderly manner by subject, and
Preamble	updated after every regular legislative session.  The introductory part of a bill or resolution that states the reasons for and intent of the measure.
President of the Senate	Lieutenant Governor as presiding officer of the Senate.
President pro Tempore	A Senator elected by the Senate to preside in the absence of the President.
Presiding officer	The person in each house who chairs the conduct of business before the body and guides and directs
Quorum	the proceedings of the body.  The number of members of a house or of a committee who must be present for the body to
Recall	conduct official business.  Requesting the return of a measure from the Governor or the other house by a resolution.
Recede	Withdraw from an amendment in which the other house refused to concur.
Recess	will continue at a later time in the same day. The time to reconvene may be at the "call of the chair" or time specific.
Redistricting	The division of existing districts into new districts with different boundaries.
Redo	The redrafting of a bill by the LCB prior to its introduction.
Referendum	The principle or practice of submitting a law to popular vote after the filing of a petition expressing
Referral	the wish of the people to vote on such law.  Sending a measure to a committee for study and consideration.
Regular Session	Period during which the Nevada Legislature meets biennially, in odd-numbered years.
Repeal	To revoke or annul a legislative action.
	Version of a bill or resolution subsequent to the introduced version, which reflects amendments adopted by either house. Each formal amendment of a bill or resolution will be identified in sequence, such as "First Reprint," "Second Reprint," and so on.

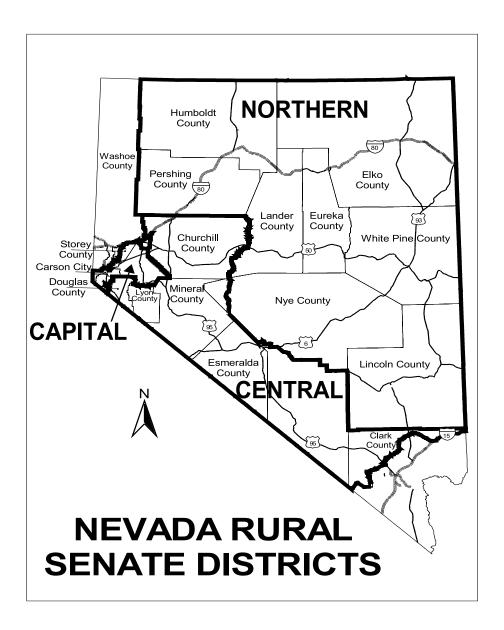
Resolutions	A one-house resolution expresses facts, principles, opinions, and purposes of one house. A concurrent resolution expresses facts, principles, opinions, and purposes of the two houses and authorizes the creation of joint committees. A joint resolution memorializes federal officials to engage in an action, proposes amendments to the <i>Nevada Constitution</i> , or ratifies amendments to the <i>U.S. Constitution</i> .
Roll call	Recording of the presence of members or a tally
Second Reading	by individual votes on a bill or joint resolution. When a bill, after it has been reported from committee, is read for the second time before the full house. Committee amendments or amendments from the floor are adopted or rejected by simple majority vote of the members present and voting.
Second Reading File	File of bills for second reading and consideration of amendments in the houses.
Secretary of the Senate	The members of the Senate elect a secretary who serves as the administrative officer, parliamentarian of the Senate, and ex officio member of the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections.
Select committee	1
	One of the chambers in a bicameral legislature.
Seniority	Length of legislative service. Seniority is often used to assign committee positions and political rank.
Session	The 120-day period during which the Nevada Legislature convenes to consider possible legislation and state budgets.
	Final adjournment of a legislative session. (See "Adjournment.") Adjournment sine die literally means "adjournment without a day"; it marks the end of the legislative session, since it does not set a time for reconvening.
	The presiding officer of the Assembly.
эреакет рго тешроге	A member of the Assembly chosen by the Assembly to preside in the absence of the Speaker.
	A law of local or limited application.
Special Session	A meeting of the Legislature convened on the call of the Governor and restricted to the subjects stated in the Governor's call.
Sponsor	The legislator(s), legislative committee, or entity requesting that a bill or resolution be drafted.

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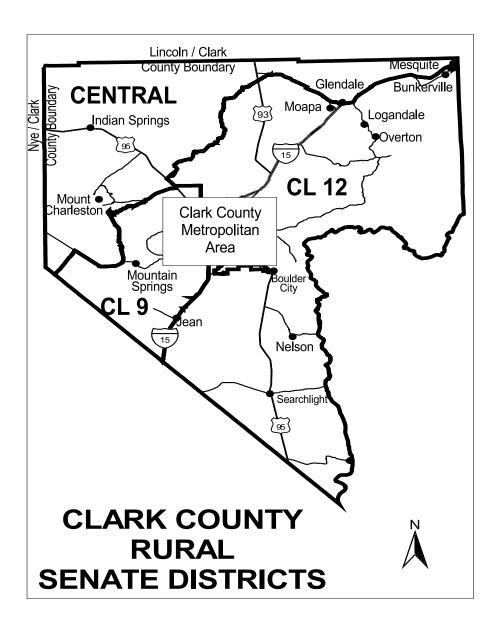
Standing committee	A committee of either the Senate or Assembly that
Statute	is created by legislative rule and is responsible for considering legislation in a certain subject area. Bill passed by both houses and approved by the Governor, or, if vetoed by the Governor, the veto overridden by a two-thirds vote of each house.
Statutes of Nevada	The bound compilation of all general and special laws and resolutions enacted in a specific year.
Summary	A brief and unofficial résumé of the contents of a bill or resolution.
Third Reading	When the bill, reprinted with any adopted amendments, is debated by the full house on another day after the second reading. It may be passed, rejected, or further amended, in which case final action on the newly amended version is taken on a later day. If the bill is passed, it is sent to the other house; it is sent to the Governor if passed in identical form by both houses.
Title	An official summary of the contents of a bill or resolution.
Two-thirds majority	The majority needed to enact legislation establishing a tax or fee: 28 in the Assembly, 14 in the Senate.
Veto	Governor's formal disapproval of a bill or joint resolution.
Whip	A member appointed by their political party to act as a liaison between the party leaders and members to enforce party discipline and secure attendance at sessions and to assist in managing the party's legislative program in the chamber.

## APPENDIX G LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT MAPS

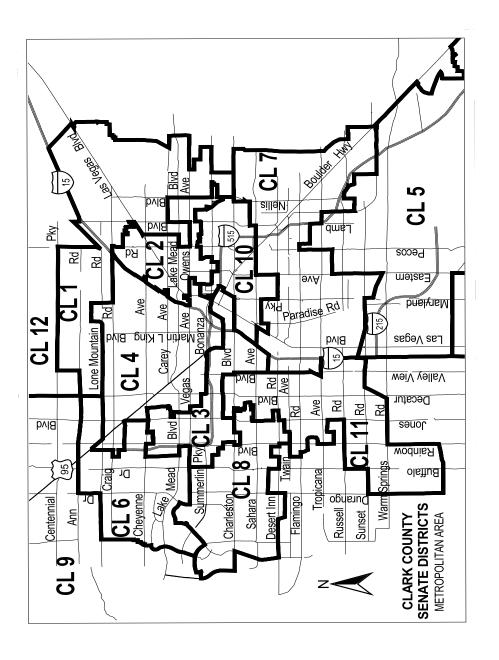
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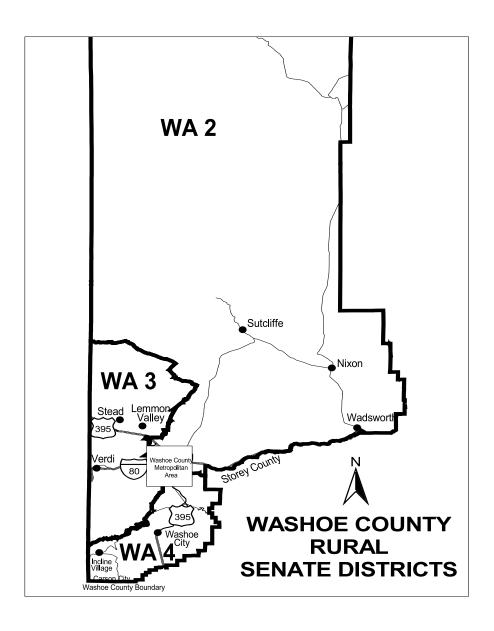
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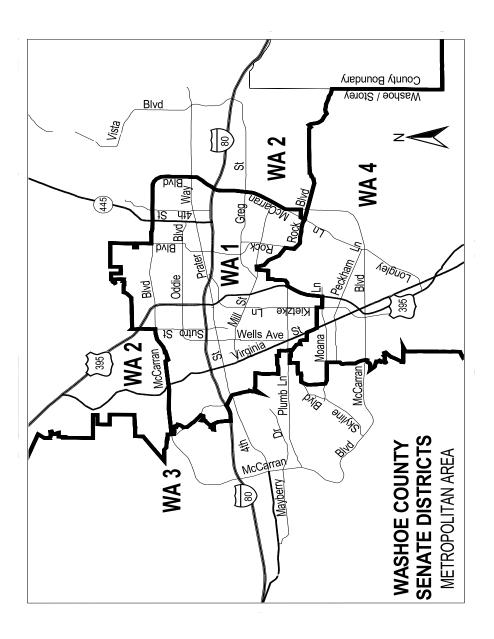
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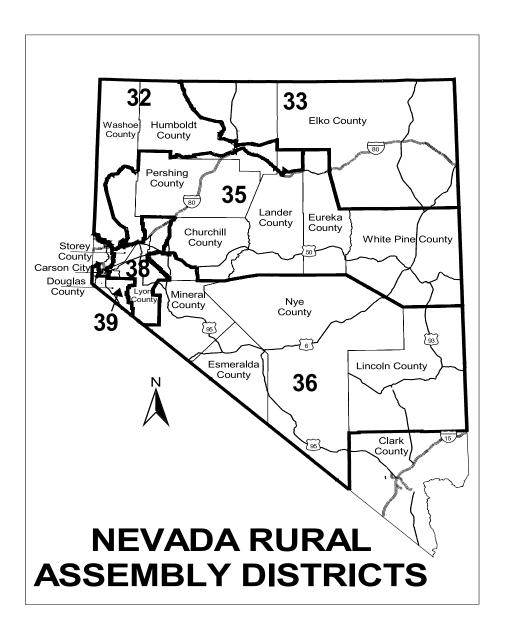
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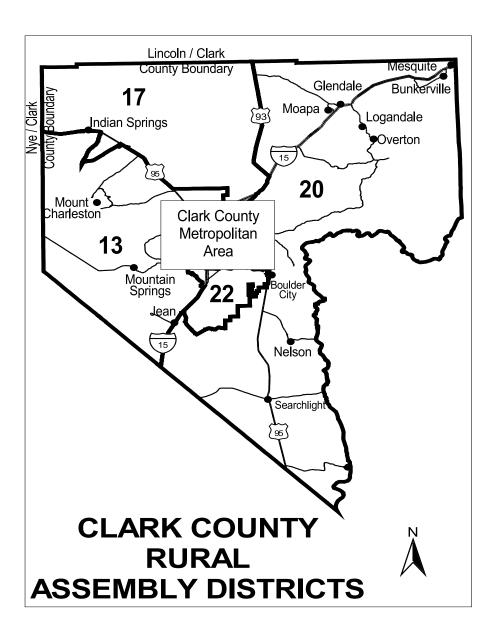
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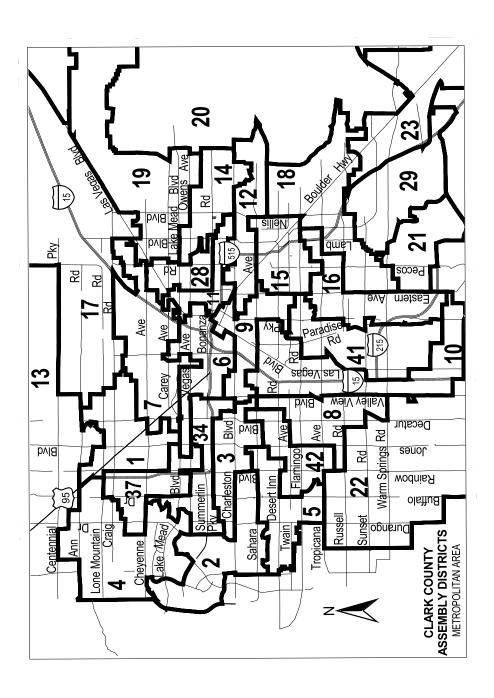
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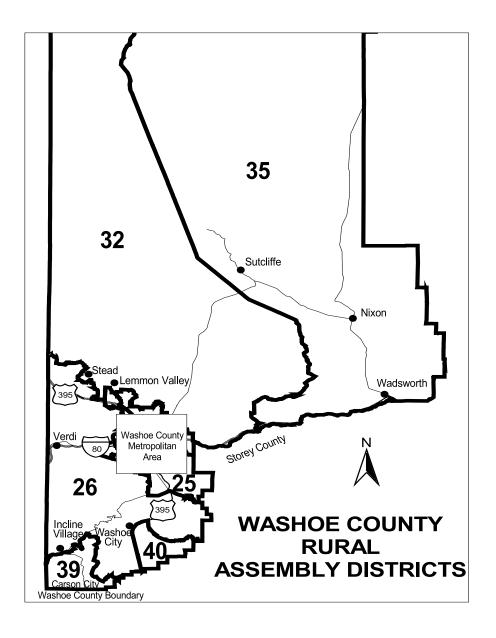
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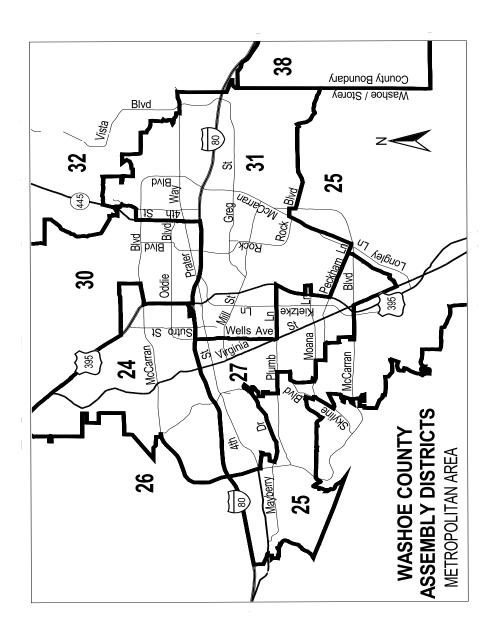
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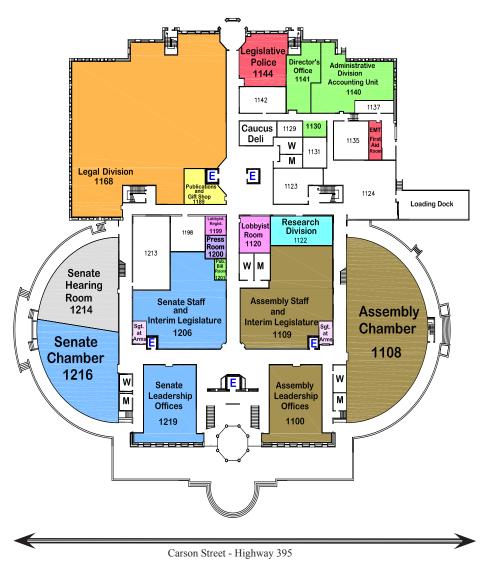


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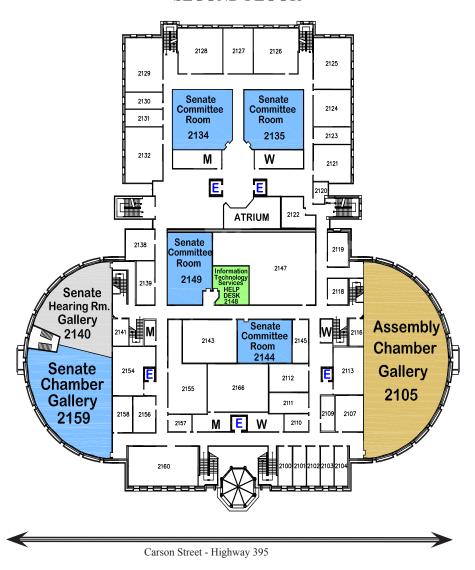


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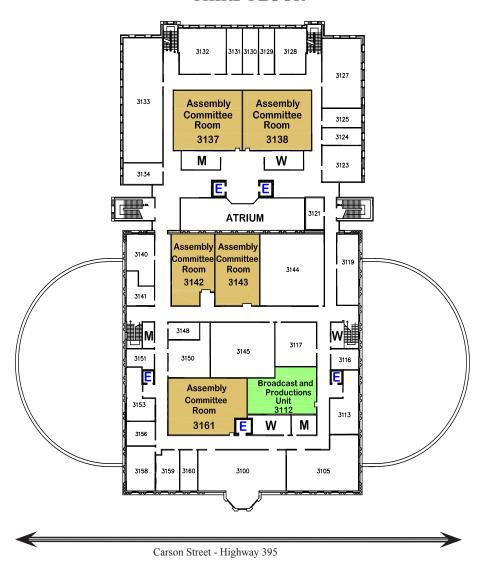
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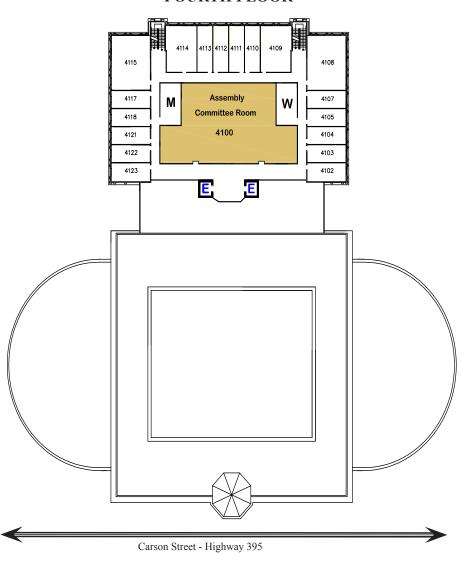
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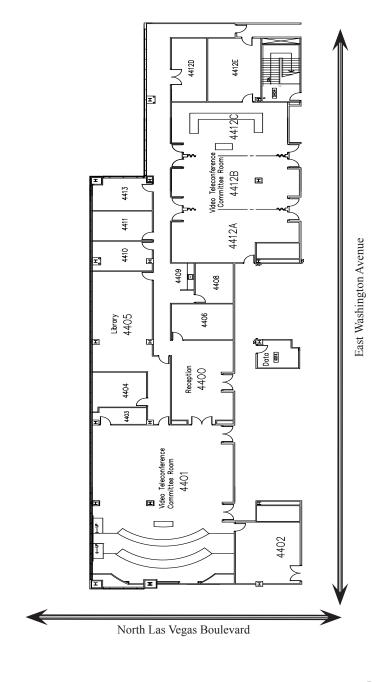


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# APPENDIX I STATE AGENCY MAP

Carson City, Nevada
Location of State Agencies and Prominent Buildings C В **Prominent Buildings\* Number Location Number Location Agency Name** on Map on Map on Map on Map **Address Agency Name** Address 100 N. Carson St. 209 E. Musser St. 901 S. Stewart St. 885 E. Musser St. 201 N. Carson St. 900 N. Roop St. 901 E. Musser St. 1600 Medical Pkwy. 1900 S. Carson St. 100 N. Stewart St. 600 N. Carson St. 3301 E. Fifth St. 2180 S. Carson St. 1721 Snyder Ave. 693 W. Nye Ln. 333 E. Fifth St. 101 N. Carson St. 107 Jacobsen Waye Library and Archives Bldg. Nevada State Museum Nevada State Prison Nevada State Railroad Museum Northern NV Correctional Center 22-AA 11-AA 2-C 3-A 4-B 1-A 22-AA 22-AA 22-AA 8 11 74 63 67 66 64 70 51 68 65 12 Blasdel Bldg. Richard H. Bryan Bldg. 3 47 44 55 28 23 10 53 17 71 2-B 22-BB 22-AA 11-BB 22-BB 1-A 3-A 11-AA Carson City Courthouse
Carson City Hall
Carson City Library
Carson City Sheriff's Dept.
Carson Tahoe Regional Medical Center
Chamber of Comm., Carson City
Children's Museum of Northern NV
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Carson Ranger District
United States Post Office 201 S. Carson St. 1536 S. Carson St. 70 Federal Bldg. Governor's Mansion Laxalt (Tourism) Bldg. Legislative Bldg. 1111 Roop St. 3301 E. Fifth St. 2201 W. College Pkwy. 3-B 2-C 1-A Warm Springs Correctional Center Western Nevada College 1 \*Federal and other nonstate buildings are identified with a diamond on the map Emerson N Carson St Way BIVD Oak Golf Course 395 rson Ormsby rport College Pkwy Murphy Dr. d Hill O Go Pine Apollo Dr W Nye Ln Way E Nye Ln B 20 adgefield Dr Northill rd Dr IIY Dr Aay A ay ch orthridge Or doe Dr en Dr Cent Bu Kit Slerra block Rd nn Dr Tiger Dr Flinmood [50] S Norrie Dr Mor Sage St Ze Jeanell Dr 5 Ajnoak Lm New Mountain Park Dr Marie **Empire** C St armine St Molly Dr Ivy St Chaparral Dr Fair May 20 A St ā Edmonds Bath St E Long St Z W Long St Newman A St Spring O Z Monte Rosa 2 Quinn Dr ò Ladera Dr 395 Village High See School Dr Inset W aterford PI raph St Po Hells Bells R Bristol PI Parkhinor Map ld Ave E 5th St **★**46 State Rd ce St 15 Tonka S Butte Railroad Dr Governors 48 Field arson 513 Fairview Dr City BB AA P 5 Fleischmann Way Rhodes St W John St Rice St E John St E William St 3 Betts St W William St Pat Ln Washoe St Sonoma St W Sophia St Mills TOBY LOOP W Ann St Sean Q 11 E Washington 9 ಪ್ W Caroline St 🖈 🖈 Palo Verde Di Paiute St Travis 0 S St W Robinson St E Robinson St Valley Warsh Moses St ā raft Ave Sage Way Z 395 Z Telegraph St N P Har E Proctor St W Musser St Alder ď Gol W 2nd St ventini Way ER š S Pratt Ave Cochise Carson St W 3rd St St Oak S Nevada S E 41 S 1 St anyon h St E 5th W Roland St Country Ville Minnesota S Fall St 7 S Plaza St Ruth St Silver Sage Dr Tamarisk St Lynett Ln Cedar St St thur St 4 W 8th St E Fuji Park Snyder A 75★ Center ★ 55 Nevada State Min Lyla Legislative Counsel Bureau, GIS Dr Sec Prison February 2011 Bucks Way 395 Race Track Rd

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