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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 current members of the Legislature; legislative structure and procedures; Legislative Counsel Bureau staff services; and administrative details for legislators. It also includes the structure and selected personnel of the Executive and Judicial Branches of government and local governments.

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 was designed by the senior government class of Tonopah High School. The flag flies outside the Legislative Building whenever the Senate and Assembly are in session in accordance with NRS 218A.175.

CHAPTER I MEMBERS OF THE NEVADA LEGISLATURE

BIOGRAPHIES OF MEMBERS OF THE NEVADA SENATE



LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR AND PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

MARK A. HUTCHISON Republican

Born: 1963 – Las Vegas, Nevada

Educated: Bonanza High School; University of Nevada, Las Vegas, B.S., 1987;

Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, J.D., 1990

Married: Cary

Children: Whitney, Canton, Kelsey, Weston, Logan, Sophie *Hobbies/Special Interests:* Writing, reading, running, hiking

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 2 Regular Sessions and 2 Special Sessions

Years in Senate:

November 2012 to December 2014*

First elected Lieutenant Governor, November 2014

President of the Senate, 2015 to Current

Senate Committees:

Commerce, Labor and Energy (2013)

Judiciary (2013)

Interim Committees:

Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice's Subcommittee on the Medical Use of Marijuana (2013-2014)

Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults With Special Needs (2013-2014)

^{*}Resigned from the Senate December 1, 2014.



KELVIN D. ATKINSON Democrat Senate District No. 4 Clark County (part) Small Business Owner



Born: 1969 - Chicago, Illinois

Educated: Culver City High School; Howard University, Washington, D.C.; University of

Nevada, Las Vegas *Married:* Sherwood *Children:* Haley

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

traveling

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 8 Regular Sessions and 12 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2002 to November 2012

Years in Senate:

November 2012 to Current

Leadership:

Assembly Senior Chief Deputy Whip, 2011

Senate Co-Minority Whip, 2015 and 2015 Special Session Senate Assistant Minority Floor Leader, 2016 Special Session

Senate Assistant Majority Leader, 2017 **Legislative Commission:** 2013; 2015; 2017

Interim Finance Committee: 2011

Assembly Committees:

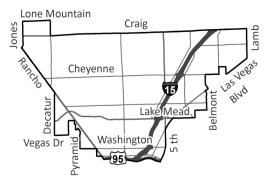
Commerce and Labor (2009; 2011, Chair)

Education (2003; 2005)

Government Affairs (2003; 2005; 2007; 2009)

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2003; 2005; 2007) Transportation (2003; 2005; 2007, Chair; 2009, Chair; 2011)

Ways and Means (2011)



KELVIN D. ATKINSON

Democrat Senate District No. 4 Clark County (part) Small Business Owner (continued)

Senate Committees:

Commerce, Labor and Energy (2013, Chair; 2015; 2017, Chair)

Government Affairs (2015)

Legislative Operations and Elections (2013; 2015; 2017)

Parliamentary Rules and Procedures (2015; 2017, Chair)

Transportation (2013; 2017)

Interim Committees:

Commission on Special License Plates (2005-2006; 2007-2008, Chair)

Development and Promotion of Logistics and Distribution Centers and Issues Concerning Infrastructure and Transportation (A.C.R. 30) (2009-2010, Chair)

Education Commission of the States (2003-2004)

Feasibility of Long-Range Mass Transit Within State and to Urban Areas of Neighboring States (2003-2004)

Host Committee for 2013 Annual Meeting for The Council of State Governments-WEST (2011-2012, Chair)

Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee for Federal Stimulus Oversight (A.C.R. 34) (2009-2010)

Legislative Commission's Audit Subcommittee (2015-2016)

Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Review Regulations (2013-2014)

Legislative Committee on Energy (2013-2014, Chair; 2015-2016)

Legislative Committee on Health Care Subcommittee to Study Medical and Societal Costs and Impacts of Obesity (S.C.R. 13) (2003-2004)

Legislative Committee on Public Lands (2015-2016, Alternate)

Nevada AIDS Advisory Task Force (2003-2004; 2005-2006; 2007-2008; 2011-2012)

Southern Nevada Enterprise Community Board (S.B. 352, 2007) (2013-2014)

Transportation Issues (2007-2008)

Use, Management, and Allocation of Water Resources (S.C.R. 26) (2005-2006)



YVANNA D. CANCELA
Democrat
Senate District No. 10
Clark County (part)
Executive Director – Immigrant Workers
Citizenship Project



Born: 1987 - Phoenix, Arizona

Educated: Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois, B.A., Communication Studies

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

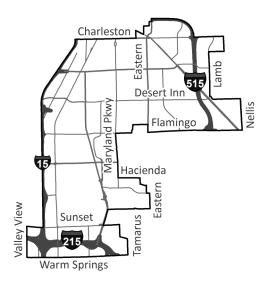
Served in 1 Regular Session

Years in Senate:

December 2016* to Current

Senate Committees:

Commerce, Labor and Energy (2017) Natural Resources (2017, Chair)



^{*}Appointed December 6, 2016, to fill vacancy created by resignation of Senator Ruben J. Kihuen.



NICOLE J. CANNIZZARO
Democrat
Senate District No. 6
Clark County (part)
Clark County Deputy District Attorney



Born: 1983 – Las Vegas, Nevada

Educated: Chaparral High School, Las Vegas, high school diploma with high honors; University of Nevada, Reno, B.S., Business Administration and Management; University of Nevada, Las Vegas, William S. Boyd School of Law, J.D.

Married: Nathan Ring

Hobbies/Special Interests: Reading, crossfit, playing with my three dogs, spending time

with nieces and nephews

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 1 Regular Session

Years in Senate:

November 2016 to Current

Senate Committees:

Commerce, Labor and Energy (2017)

Judiciary (2017)

Legislative Operations and Elections (2017, Chair)





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



Born: 1961 – Brooklyn, New York

Educated: Rancho High School, Las Vegas; Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah,

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

Served in 7 Regular Sessions and 10 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2004 to November 2010

Years in Senate:

November 2010 to Current

Leadership:

Senate Assistant Majority Whip, 2011

Senate Majority Floor Leader, 2013; 2013 Special Session; and 2014 Special Session

President Pro Tempore, 2017

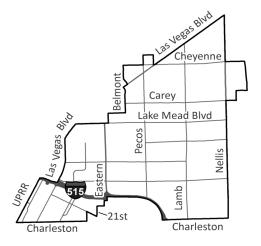
Legislative Commission: 2011; 2013; 2015; 2017

Served as Chair from December 20, 2012, to June 3, 2013

Served as Vice Chair from March 29, 2012, to November 6, 2012, elected to replace

Senator Sheila Leslie

Interim Finance Committee: 2005; 2007; 2009; 2011; 2013; 2017



Moises (Mo) Denis

Democrat Senate District No. 2 Clark County (part) Computer Network Technician (continued)

Assembly Committees:

Education (2007; 2009)

Elections, Procedures, Ethics, and Constitutional Amendments (2005)

Health and Human Services (2009)

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2005)

Taxation (2007)

Ways and Means (2005; 2007; 2009)

Senate Committees:

Commerce, Labor and Energy (2013)

Education (2011, Chair; 2015; 2017, Chair)

Finance (2011; 2013; 2017)

Judiciary (2017)

Legislative Operations and Elections (2011)

Revenue (2011)

Revenue and Economic Development (2013)

Transportation (2015)

Interim Committees:

Advisory Committee to Develop a Plan to Reorganize the Clark County School District (A.B. 394) (2015-2016)

Board of Directors for Corporation for Public Benefit for Nevada Youth Legislature (2011-2012)

Commission on Educational Technology (2005-2006; 2007-2008; 2009-2010; 2011-2012; 2013-2014)

Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste (2005-2006)

Committee on Industrial Programs (2009-2010)

Committee to Consult With the Director (2011-2012, Chair; 2013-2014)

Council to Establish Academic Standards for Public Schools (2011-2012, appointed in 2012 to replace Senator Sheila Leslie; 2013-2014)

Education Commission of the States (2007-2008)

Host Committee for 2013 Annual Meeting for The Council of State Governments-WEST (2011-2012)

Information Technology Advisory Board (2005-2006; 2007-2008; 2009-2010; 2011-2012; 2013-2014)

Legislative Commission's Audit Subcommittee (2011-2012, appointed in 2012 to replace Senator Sheila Leslie; 2013-2014)

Legislative Commission's Subcommittee on Information Technology (2005-2006; 2007-2008, Chair)

Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Review Regulations (2011-2012, Chair; 2013-2014)

Legislative Committee on Education (2007-2008; 2011-2012; 2013-2014)

New Method for Funding Public Schools (S.B. 11) (2011-2012)

Structure and Operations of the Nevada Legislature (A.C.R. 12) (2011-2012)

Task Force on K-12 Public Education Funding (2013-2014)

Trademark and Copyright Law (A.B. 383) (2011-2012)



PATRICIA FARLEY Nonpartisan* Senate District No. 8 Clark County (part) Construction Industry



Born: 1974 – Mesa, Arizona

Educated: University of Arizona, B.S.

Children: Brooke, Jordan

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 2 Regular Sessions and 2 Special Sessions

Years in Senate:

November 2014 to Current

Senate Committees:

Commerce, Labor and Energy (2015)

Legislative Operations and Elections (2015, Chair)

Revenue and Economic Development (2017)

Transportation (2015; 2017)

Interim Committees:

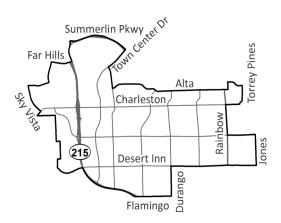
Advisory Board on Maternal and Child Health (2015-2016)

Advisory Council on Parental Involvement and Family Engagement (2015-2016)

Nevada AIDS Advisory Task Force (2015-2016)

Nevada State Council for Interstate Juvenile Offender Supervision (2015-2016)

Safe-to-Tell Program Advisory Committee (S.B. 338) (2015-2016)



^{*}Patricia Farley changed her party affiliation from Republican to Nonpartisan on December 20, 2016.



AARON D. FORD Democrat Senate District No. 11 Clark County (part) Attorney



Born: 1972 - Dallas, Texas

Educated: Texas A&M University, B.A.; George Washington University, M.A.; Ohio State

University, Columbus, M.A., J.D., Ph.D.

Married: Berna

Children: Avery, Devin, Aaron II, Alexander

Hobbies/Special Interests: Travel

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 3 Regular Sessions and 4 Special Sessions

Years in Senate:

November 2012 to Current

Leadership:

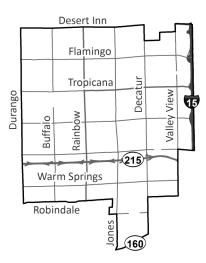
Senate Co-Assistant Majority Whip, 2013; 2013 Special Session; and 2014 Special Session

Senate Minority Floor Leader, 2015; 2015 Special Session; and 2016 Special Session

Senate Majority Leader, 2017 Legislative Commission: 2015; 2017 **Interim Finance Committee: 2017**

Senate Committees:

Education (2013) Finance (2015, part; 2017) Judiciary (2013; 2015; 2017) Natural Resources (2013, Chair) Revenue and Economic Development (2015; 2017)



AARON D. FORD

Democrat Senate District No. 11 Clark County (part) Attorney (continued)

Interim Committees:

Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice (2015-2016)

Advisory Committee to Develop a Plan to Reorganize the Clark County School District (A.B. 394) (2015-2016)

Advisory Council on Parental Involvement and Family Engagement (2013-2014)

Council to Establish Academic Standards for Public Schools (2013-2014)

Education Commission of the States (2015-2016)

Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Review Regulations (2015-2016)

Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study Water (2015-2016)

Legislative Committee on Education (2013-2014)

Legislative Committee on Energy (2013-2014)

Legislative Committee on Public Lands (2013-2014)

National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws (2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Technological Crime Advisory Board (2013-2014)



Republican
Senate District No. 15
Washoe County (part)

Executive Director of External Relations, University of Nevada, Reno



Born: 1963 - Reno, Nevada

Educated: University of Santa Clara, B.S., Engineering; University of Nevada, Reno,

Master of Business Administration

Married: Guy *Children:* Four

Hobbies/Special Interests: Cycling, running, swimming, triathlons, travel

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 4 Regular Sessions and 6 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2004 to November 2010

Years in Senate:

November 2016 to Current

Leadership:

Assembly Co-Minority Whip, 2005

Assembly Assistant Minority Floor Leader, 2007 and 2007 Special Session

Assembly Minority Floor Leader, 2007 (beginning October 1, 2007),

2008 Special Sessions (two), 2009, and 2010 Special Session (until June 10, 2010)

Senate Co-Caucus Policy Coordinator, 2017 **Interim Finance Committee:** 2005; 2007; 2009

Assembly Committees:

Assembly Commerce and Labor (2005; 2007; 2009)

Assembly Elections, Procedures, Ethics, and Constitutional Amendments (2005; 2007; 2009)

Assembly Ways and Means (2005; 2007; 2009)

Senate Committees:

Commerce, Labor and Energy (2017)

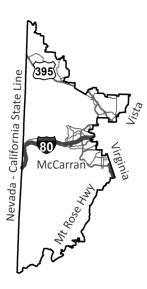
Legislative Operations and Elections (2017)

Revenue and Economic Development (2017)

Interim Committees:

Committee to Consult With the Director (2007-2008; 2009-2010)

Development and Promotion of Logistics and Distribution Centers and Issues Concerning Infrastructure and Transportation (A.C.R. 30) (2009-2010)



HEIDI S. GANSERT

Republican
Senate District No. 15
Washoe County (part)
Executive Director of External Relations, University of Nevada, Reno
(continued)

Interim Committees (continued):

Feasibility and Advisability of Consolidating Water-Related Services in Washoe County (S.C.R. 26) (2005-2006)

Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee to Review Public Works Board Matters (2007-2008)

Legislative Committee to Oversee the Western Regional Water Commission (S.B. 487) (2007-2008)

Production and Use of Energy (S.C.R. 19) (2009-2010)

Requirements for Reapportionment and Redistricting (A.C.R. 19) (2009-2010)

Washoe County Schools Construction and Revitalization Advisory Committee (S.B. 154) (2007-2008)



PETE GOICOECHEA

Republican Senate District No. 19 Clark (part), Elko, Eureka, Lincoln, Nye (part), and White Pine 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

Served in 8 Regular Sessions and 12 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2002 to November 2012

Years in Senate:

November 2012 to Current

Leadership:

Assembly Co-Minority Whip, 2007; 2007 Special Session; 2008 Special Sessions (two); 2009; and 2010 Special Session

Assembly Minority Floor Leader, 2011 (from June 10, 2010, until January 19, 2012)

Legislative Commission: 2007

Interim Finance Committee: 2009; 2011; 2013; 2015; 2017

Assembly Committees:

Government Affairs (2003; 2005; 2007)

Health and Human Services (2011)

Legislative Operations and Elections (2011)

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2003; 2005; 2007; 2009)

Transportation (2003; 2005; 2007; 2009)

Ways and Means (2009; 2011)

Senate Committees:

Finance (2013; 2015; 2017)

Government Affairs (2013; 2015, Chair; 2017)

Natural Resources (2013; 2015; 2017)

Interim Committees:

Advisory Committee to Study Laws Concerning Sex Offender Registration (2015-2016)

Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste

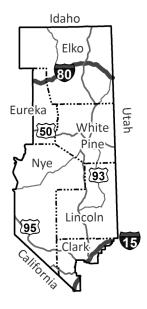
(2013-2014; 2015-2016, Chair)

Committee on Industrial Programs (2015-2016)

Committee to Consult With the Director (2009-2010,

appointed to replace Assemblywoman Heidi S.

Gansert; 2011-2012)



PETE GOICOECHEA

Republican Senate District No. 19 Clark (part), Elko, Eureka, Lincoln, Nye (part), and White Pine Counties Rancher (continued)

Interim Committees (continued):

Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee for Federal Stimulus Oversight (A.C.R. 34) (2009-2010)

Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee to Conduct a Review of Nevada's Revenue Structure (S.C.R. 37) (2009-2010)

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 (2009-2010)

Interim Retirement and Benefits Committee (2007-2008; 2009-2010; 2015-2016)

Legislative Commission's Audit Subcommittee (2015-2016)

Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Review Regulations (2015-2016)

Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study Water (2015-2016)

Legislative Committee for the Fundamental Review of the Base Budgets of State Agencies (2009-2010)

Legislative Committee on Public Lands (2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Legislative Committee on Public Lands Subcommittee to Study Wilderness Areas and Wilderness Study Areas (S.C.R. 7) (2003-2004)

Legislative Committee to Oversee the Western Regional Water Commission (S.B. 487) (2011-2012)

Nevada Advisory Council on Federal Assistance (2015-2016)

Nevada Veterans Services Commission (2015-2016)

Powers Delegated to Local Governments (S.B. 264) (2009-2010)

Public Employees' Benefits Program (2003-2004; 2005-2006)

Requirements for Reapportionment and Redistricting (A.C.R. 19) (2009-2010)

Transportation Issues (2007-2008)

Use, Management, and Allocation of Water Resources (S.C.R. 26) (2005-2006)



DONALD (DON) G. GUSTAVSONRepublican
Senate District No. 14
Esmeralda, Humboldt, Lander, Mineral, Nye (part), Pershing, and Washoe (part) 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, Kerry, Donna

Hobbies/Special Interests: Model railroading, ballroom dancing

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 9 Regular Sessions and 10 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 1996 to November 2004; November 2008 to November 2010

Years in Senate:

November 2010 to Current

Legislative Commission:

February 17, 2012, replaced Senator Elizabeth Halseth; 2013

Assembly Committees:

Constitutional Amendments (1999; 2001; 2003)

Corrections, Parole, and Probation (2009)

Education (1997; 1999; 2001)

Judiciary (1997; 1999; 2001; 2003; 2009)

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2009)

Taxation (2009)

Transportation (1997; 1999; 2001; 2003)

Senate Committees:

Education (2011; 2013; 2015; 2017)

Judiciary (2011; 2017)

Natural Resources (2015, Chair)

Select Committee on Economic Growth and

Employment (2011)

Transportation (2013; 2015; 2017)

Interim Committees:

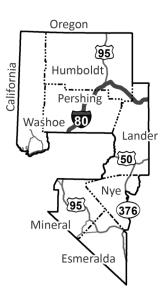
Advisory Committee for a Veterans Cemetery in Northern Nevada (2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Commission on Special License Plates (2003-2004;

2011-2012; 2013-2014; 2015-2016) Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste

(2009-2010; 2015-2016)

Deposits and Refunds on Recycled Products (A.B. 427) (2011-2012)



DONALD (DON) G. GUSTAVSON

Republican
Senate District No. 14
Esmeralda, Humboldt, Lander, Mineral, Nye (part), Pershing, and Washoe (part) Counties
Retired Professional Driver
(continued)

Interim Committees (continued):

Legislative Committee on Education (2011-2012)

Legislative Committee on Public Lands (2013-2014; 2015-2016, Chair)

Legislative Committee to Oversee the Western Regional Water Commission (S.B. 487) (2009-2010; 2011-2012, Chair)

Study of the Care and Commitment of Mentally III (S.C.R. 60) (1997-1998)

Subcommittee on Security (2001-2002)

Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission (2015-2016)



SCOTT T. HAMMOND Republican Senate District No. 18 Clark County (part) 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, Isabella

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 4 Regular Sessions and 4 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2010 to November 2012

Years in Senate:

November 2012 to Current

Leadership:

Senate Co-Majority Whip, 2015; 2015 Special Session; and 2016 Special Session Senate Co-Minority Whip, 2017

Assembly Committees:

Health and Human Services (2011) Judiciary (2011)

Transportation (2011)

Senate Committees:

Education (2015; 2017)

Government Affairs (2013)

Health and Human Services (2017)

Judiciary (2013; 2015)

Transportation (2015, Chair; 2017)



SCOTT T. HAMMOND

Republican Senate District No. 18 Clark County (part) Teacher (continued)

Interim Committees:

Advisory Task Force on Educator Professional Development (2015-2016)
Commission on Educational Technology (2015-2016)
Commission on Special License Plates (2015-2016)
Legislative Committee on Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice (2013-2014; 2015-2016, Chair)
Legislative Committee on Education (2013-2014; 2015-2016)
Nevada State Council for Interstate Juvenile Offender Supervision (2013-2014)
Task Force on the Prevention of Sexual Abuse of Children (2013-2014)



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

Republican Senate District No. 12 Clark County (part) Family Physician and Associate Professor



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: Twenty

Military: Major, United States Air Force

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 8 Regular Sessions and 12 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2002 to November 2010

Years in Senate:

November 2010 to Current

Leadership:

Assembly Co-Minority Whip, 2007; 2007 Special Session; and 2008 Special Session (one)

Senate Minority Whip, 2013; 2013 Special Session; and 2014 Special Session Senate President Pro Tempore, 2015; 2015 Special Session; and 2016 Special Session

Interim Finance Committee: 2007; 2009

Assembly Committees:

Education (2003; 2005; 2007; 2009) Government Affairs (2003; 2005) Health and Human Services (2003; 2005; 2007; 2009)

Ways and Means (2007; 2009)

Senate Committees:

Commerce, Labor and Energy (2013; 2015; 2017) Government Affairs (2011; 2015; 2017)

Health and Human Services (2011; 2013;

2015, Chair; 2017)

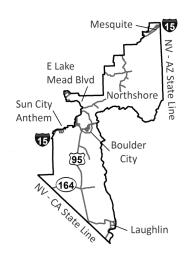
Revenue (2011)

Revenue and Economic Development (2015)

Transportation (2013)

Interim Committees:

Advisory Board on Maternal and Child Health (2011-2012; 2013-2014)



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

Republican
Senate District No. 12
Clark County (part)
Family Physician and Associate Professor
(continued)

Interim Committees (continued):

Advisory Committee to Develop a Plan to Reorganize the Clark County School District (A.B. 394) (2015-2016)

Advisory Council on the State Program for Wellness and the Prevention of Chronic Disease (2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Allocation of Limousines (2003-2004)

Committee to Consult With the Director (2015-2016)

Feasibility of Long-Range Mass Transit Within State and to Urban Areas of Neighboring States (2003-2004)

Host Committee for 2013 Annual Meeting for The Council of State Governments-WEST (2011-2012)

Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee for Federal Stimulus Oversight (A.C.R. 34) (2009-2010)

Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee to Review Allocations for Homeless (2007-2008)

Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study Water (2015-2016)

Legislative Committee for Local Government Taxes and Finance (2003-2004)

Legislative Committee on Health Care (2003-2004; 2005-2006; 2007-2008; 2009-2010; 2011-2012; 2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Legislative Committee on Health Care Subcommittee to Study Current Challenges of Ensuring Adequate Health Care is Available to All Nevadans (S.B. 289) (2003-2004)

Legislative Committee on Health Care Subcommittee to Study Health Insurance Expansion Options (2003-2004)

Legislative Committee on Health Care Subcommittee to Study Services for the Treatment and Prevention of Substance Abuse (A.B. 2) (2005-2006)

Legislative Committee on Health Care Subcommittee to Study Staffing of the System for Delivery of Health Care in Nevada (A.B. 313) (2003-2004)

Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults With Special Needs (2011-2012; 2015-2016, Chair)

Nevada Mental Health Plan Implementation Commission (S.B. 301) (2003-2004)

Nevada Mental Health Plan Implementation Commission Subcommittee to Continue Work of the Commission (S.B. 301) (2003-2004)

P-16 Advisory Council (2011-2012)

P-20W Advisory Council (2013-2014)

Subcommittee to Conduct a Study of Postacute Care in Nevada (A.B. 242) (2015-2016)

Task Force for the Fund for a Healthy Nevada (2003-2004)

Task Force on Alzheimer's Disease (2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Taxation of Real Property (A.B. 489) (2005-2006)

Telecommunication Services in Nevada (2003-2004)

Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE) Legislative Advisory Committee (2011-2012; 2013-2014)



BECKY HARRIS Republican Senate District No. 9 Clark County (part) Attorney/Mediator



Born: 1968 - Provo, Utah

Educated: Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, B.A.; Brigham Young University, J.D.; University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV), M.A.; UNLV, William S. Boyd School of Law,

LL.M.

Married: R. Garth Harris *Children:* Sydney, Mallory

Hobbies/Special Interests: Hiking, traveling, reading

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 2 Regular Sessions and 2 Special Sessions

Years in Senate:

November 2014 to Current

Leadership:

Senate Co-Caucus Policy Coordinator, 2017

Interim Finance Committee: 2017

Senate Committees:

Commerce, Labor and Energy (2015)

Education (2015, Chair; 2017)

Finance (2017)

Judiciary (2015; 2017)

Interim Committees:

Advisory Committee for a Veterans Cemetery in Southern Nevada (2015-2016)

Advisory Committee to Develop a Plan to Reorganize the Clark County School

District (A.B. 394) (2015-2016)

Advisory Committee to Develop a Plan to Reorganize the Clark County School District, Technical Advisory Committee (A.B. 394) (2015-2016, Chair)

Board of Directors for Corporation for Public Benefit for Nevada Youth Legislature (2015-2016)

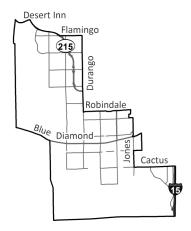
Council to Establish Academic Standards for Public Schools (2015-2016)

Education Commission of the States (2015-2016)

Legislative Committee on Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice (2015-2016)

Legislative Committee on Education (2015-2016)

P-20W Advisory Council (2015-2016)





BEN KIECKHEFER
Republican
Senate District No. 16

Carson City and Washoe County (part)
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

Served in 4 Regular Sessions and 4 Special Sessions

Years in Senate:

November 2010 to Current

Leadership:

Senate Assistant Minority Floor Leader, 2013; 2013 Special Session; and 2014 Special Session

Senate Assistant Majority Floor Leader, 2015; 2015 Special Session; and 2016 Special Session

Senate Assistant Minority Leader, 2017

Interim Finance Committee: 2011; 2013; 2015; 2017

Served as Chair from November 5, 2014, to February 1, 2015 Served as Vice Chair from February 2, 2015, to November 7, 2016

Legislative Commission: 2013; 2015; 2017

Senate Committees:

Finance (2011; 2013; 2015, Chair; 2017) Health and Human Services (2011; 2013; 2015)

Revenue and Economic Development (2013; 2015; 2017)

Select Committee on Economic Growth and Employment (2011)

Interim Committees:

Advisory Council on Parental Involvement and Family Engagement (2011-2012)

Board of Directors for Corporation for Public Benefit for Nevada Youth Legislature (2011-2012; 2013-2014)

Committee on Industrial Programs (2013-2014)

Committee to Consult With the Director (2013-2014; 2015-2016, Chair)



BEN KIECKHEFER

Republican Senate District No. 16 Carson City and Washoe County (part) Communications (continued)

Interim Committees (continued):

Funding of Higher Education (S.B. 374) (2011-2012)

Funding of Higher Education's Performance Pool, Economic and Workforce Development, and Research Subcommittee (2011-2012)

Host Committee for 2013 Annual Meeting for The Council of State Governments-WEST (2011-2012)

Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee on Early Intervention Services (2011-2012)

Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee to Review and Advise on the Development of Priorities and Performance Based Budgeting (PPBB) by the Department of Administration, Budget Division (2013-2014)

Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee to Review Public Works Board Matters (2011-2012)

Interim Retirement and Benefits Committee (2011-2012; 2015-2016, Chair)

Legislative Commission's Audit Subcommittee (2013-2014; 2015-2016, Chair)

Legislative Committee for the Review and Oversight of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and the Marlette Lake Water System (2013-2014; 2015-2016, Chair)

Legislative Committee on Health Care (2015-2016)

Legislative Committee on Public Lands (2015-2016)



MARK A. MANENDO Democrat Senate District No. 21 Clark County (part)

Assistant Director of Client Services,



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, Charlottesville, Darden Executive Business Administration Course for Emerging Political Leaders

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

Collision Authority

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 12 Regular Sessions and 14 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 1994 to November 2010

Years in Senate:

November 2010 to Current

Leadership:

Assembly Co-Assistant Majority Whip, 2001; 2003; and 2003 Special Sessions (two)

Assembly Committees:

Commerce and Labor (2007; 2009)

Corrections, Parole, and Probation (2009)

Economic Development and Tourism (1995)

Education (1995; 1997; 1999; 2001; 2003; 2005)

Government Affairs (2003, Chair)

Health and Human Services (1997; 1999; 2001)

Judiciary (1995; 1997; 1999;

2001; 2005; 2007; 2009)

Labor and Management (1995)

Taxation (1995; 1997; 1999)

Transportation (2003; 2005;

2007; 2009)

Senate Committees:

Commerce, Labor and Energy

(2015)

Government Affairs (2011; 2013;

2017)

Legislative Operations and Elections (2013)



MARK A. MANENDO

Democrat Senate District No. 21 Clark County (part) Assistant Director of Client Services, Collision Authority (continued)

Senate Committees (continued):

Natural Resources (2011, Chair; 2013; 2015; 2017)

Select Committee on Economic Growth and Employment (2011)

Transportation (2011; 2013, Chair; 2015; 2017, Chair)

Interim Committees:

Advisory Committee for a Veterans Cemetery in Southern Nevada (2001-2002;

2003-2004; 2005-2006; 2007-2008; 2009-2010; 2013-2014)

Commission on Special License Plates (2007-2008; 2013-2014, Chair)

Committee to Consult With the Director (2015-2016)

Committee to Review Regulations (1995-1996)

Deposits and Refunds on Recycled Products (A.B. 427) (2011-2012)

Governor's Workforce Investment Board (2011-2012; 2013-2014)

Interim Retirement and Benefits Committee (2003-2004)

Legislative Committee on Education (1999-2000; 2001-2002; 2005-2006; 2011-2012)

Legislative Committee on Persons With Disabilities (2003-2004)

Legislative Committee on Public Lands (2011-2012)

Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults With Special Needs (2011-2012; 2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Nevada Commission on Aging (2011-2012; 2013-2014)

Nevada Veterans Services Commission (2011-2012)

State Council for the Coordination of the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children (2009-2010; 2011-2012)

Structure and Operations of the Nevada Legislature (A.C.R. 12) (2011-2012, appointed March 29, 2012, to replace Senator Sheila Leslie)

Study of Methods to Encourage Businesses to Organize and Conduct Business in Nevada (S.C.R. 19) (1999-2000)

Study of Special Education and Student Discipline (A.C.R. 44) (1997-1998)

Subcommittee to Study Categories of Misdemeanors (2001-2002, Chair)

Trademark and Copyright Law (A.B. 383) (2011-2012)



DAVID R. PARKSDemocrat
Senate District No. 7
Clark County (part)
Consultant



Born: 1943 - Boston, Massachusetts

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

M.B.A

Military: United States Air Force, 1967-1971

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 11 Regular Sessions and 14 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 1996 to November 2008

Years in Senate:

November 2008 to Current

Leadership:

Assembly Assistant Majority Whip, 1999

Assembly Assistant Majority Floor Leader, 2001

Senate President Pro Tempore, 2013; 2013 Special Session; and 2014 Special Session

Legislative Commission: 2013

Interim Finance Committee: 1999; 2001; 2003; 2007; 2011; 2013; 2015; 2017 **Assembly Committees:**

Commerce (1999)

Commerce and Labor (2001; 2003; 2005; 2007)

Constitutional Amendments (2001)

Government Affairs (1997; 2005, Chair)

Growth and Infrastructure (2005)

Infrastructure (1997)

Labor and Management (1997)

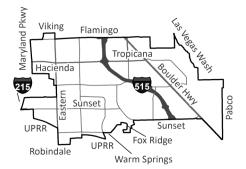
Select Committee on Corrections, Parole, and Probation (2007, Chair)

Taxation (2001; 2003, Chair; 2007)

Transportation (1997; 1999)

Ways and Means (1999; 2001; 2003;

2007)



DAVID R. PARKS

Democrat Senate District No. 7 Clark County (part) Consultant (continued)

Senate Committees:

Commerce and Labor (2009)

Commerce, Labor and Energy (2011)

Finance (2011; 2013; 2015; 2017)

Government Affairs (2013, Chair; 2015; 2017, Chair)

Judiciary (2009)

Legislative Operations and Elections (2011, Chair)

Natural Resources (2009, Chair; 2011; 2015, part)

Revenue and Economic Development (2013; 2017)

Interim Committees:

Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice (2007-2008; 2009-2010; 2011-2012)

Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice Steering Committee (2007-2008)

Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice's Subcommittee to Consider Issues Related to a Study of "Truth in Sentencing" (2007-2008)

Advisory Committee to Study Laws Concerning Sex Offender Registration (2009-2010)

Allocation of Money Distributed From the Local Government Tax Distribution Account (A.B. 71) (2011-2012)

Commission on Educational Technology (2001-2002)

Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste (2009-2010; 2011-2012, Chair; 2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Committee on Industrial Programs (2009-2010, Chair; 2011-2012; 2013-2014, Chair; 2015-2016)

Committee to Consult With the Director (2001-2002; 2011-2012, appointed to replace Senator Sheila Leslie; 2013-2014)

Development and Promotion of Logistics and Distribution Centers and Issues Concerning Infrastructure and Transportation (A.C.R. 30) (2009-2010)

Feasibility of Long-Range Mass Transit Within State and to Urban Areas of Neighboring States (2003-2004)

Funding of Higher Education (S.B. 374) (2011-2012)

Funding of Higher Education's Community College Funding Subcommittee (2011-2012, Co-Chair)

Governor's Steering Committee to Conduct a Fundamental Review of State Government (1999-2000)

Group Homes (A.B. 294) (2009-2010)

Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee on Early Intervention Services (2011-2012)

Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee on Southern Nevada Women's Correctional Facility (2003-2004)

Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee to Conduct a Review of Nevada's Revenue Structure (S.C.R. 37) (2009-2010)

DAVID R. PARKS

Democrat Senate District No. 7 Clark County (part) Consultant (continued)

Interim Committees (continued):

Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee to Conduct a Review of Nevada's Revenue Structure Working Group to Review Responses to the Request for Proposal (2009-2010)

Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee to Review Allocations for Homeless (2007-2008)

Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee to Review Public Works Board Matters (2011-2012)

Interim Retirement and Benefits Committee (2013-2014)

Legislative Commission's Audit Subcommittee (2011-2012, Chair; 2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Review Regulations (2011-2012)

Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study Competition Between Local Governments and Private Enterprises (2001-2002)

Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study Suicide Prevention (2001-2002)

Legislative Committee for Local Government Taxes and Finance (2001-2002, Chair; 2003-2004)

Legislative Committee for the Fundamental Review of the Base Budgets of State Agencies (1999-2000)

Legislative Committee for the Review and Oversight of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and the Marlette Lake Water System (2009-2010; 2011-2012; 2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Legislative Committee on Public Lands (2009-2010; 2011-2012; 2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Legislative Committee on Taxation, Public Revenue, and Tax Policy (2003-2004; 2005-2006)

Legislative Committee on Workers' Compensation (1997-1998; 1999-2000, Chair) Nevada AIDS Advisory Task Force (2001-2002, ex officio; 2003-2004, ex officio;

Nevada State Council for Interstate Adult Offender Supervision (2011-2012; 2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Nevada State Council for Interstate Juvenile Supervision (2009-2010; 2011-2012) Nevada's Industrial Insurance Program (2003-2004)

Study of Air Quality Programs in Clark County (S.B. 432) (1999-2000)

Study of Methods to Encourage Businesses to Organize and Conduct Business in Nevada (S.C.R. 19) (1999-2000)

Study of the Construction and Maintenance of Highways (S.C.R. 53) (1997-1998)

Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission (2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Taxation of Real Property (A.B. 489) (2005-2006, Chair)

2005-2006; 2011-2012; 2013-2014)

Telecommunication Services in Nevada (2003-2004, Chair)

Use, Management, and Allocation of Water Resources (S.C.R. 26) (2005-2006)



JULIA RATTI Democrat Senate District No. 13 Washoe County (part) Nonprofit Management



Born: 1969 – Reno, Nevada **Married:** James Cavanaugh

Hobbies/Special Interests: Hiking, camping, restoring vintage Airstream® trailers

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 1 Regular and 1 Special Session

Years in Senate:

October 10, 2016* to Current

Senate Committees:

Government Affairs (2017) Health and Human Services (2017) Natural Resources (2017) Parliamentary Rules and Procedures (2017)

Revenue and Economic Development (2017, Chair)

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Pembroke

^{*}Appointed September 27, 2016, to fill vacancy created by the passing of Senator Debbie Smith.



MICHAEL ROBERSON Republican Senate District No. 20 Clark County (part) Attorney



Born: 1970 - Webb City, Missouri

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

Kansas School of Law, J.D., 1996

Married: Liberty Leavitt

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 4 Regular Sessions and 4 Special Sessions

Years in Senate:

November 2010 to Current

Leadership:

Senate Minority Floor Leader, 2013; 2013 Special Session; and 2014 Special Session Senate Majority Floor Leader, 2015; 2015 Special Session; and 2016 Special Session

Senate Minority Leader, 2017

Legislative Commission: 2011; 2013; 2015, Chair; 2017, Chair

Interim Finance Committee: 2013; 2015

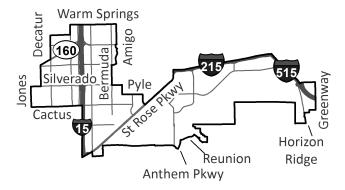
Senate Committees:

Commerce, Labor and Energy (2011)

Finance (2013; 2015)

Judiciary (2011; 2015; 2017) Natural Resources (2011)

Revenue and Economic Development (2013; 2015, Chair; 2017)



MICHAEL ROBERSON

Republican Senate District No. 20 Clark County (part) Attorney (continued)

Interim Committees:

Advisory Committee to Develop a Plan to Reorganize the Clark County School District (A.B. 394) (2015-2016, Chair)

Advisory Committee to Develop a Plan to Reorganize the Clark County School District, Technical Advisory Committee (A.B. 394) (2015-2016)

Behavioral Health and Wellness Council (BHWC) (2013-2014)

Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste (2015-2016)

Committee to Consult with the Director (2013-2014)

Governor's Workforce Development Board (Public Law 113-128) (2015-2016)

Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Review Regulations (2011-2012)

Legislative Committee on Education (2015-2016)

Legislative Committee on Energy (2013-2014; 2015-2016)

National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws (2011-2012)

Nevada Commission on Homeland Security (2015-2016)

Task Force on K-12 Public Education Funding (2013-2014)



TICK SEGERBLOM
Democrat
Senate District No. 3
Clark County (part)
Attorney



Born: 1948 – Boulder City, Nevada

Educated: Boulder City High School; Pomona College, Claremont, California, B.A.;

University of Denver, J.D.

Married: Sharon

Children: Mary Clare, Eva, Carl

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 6 Regular Sessions and 8 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2006 to November 2012

Years in Senate:

November 2012 to Current

Assembly Committees:

Commerce and Labor (2011)

Corrections, Parole, and Probation (2009)

Education (2007)

Elections, Procedures, Ethics, and Constitutional Amendments (2007; 2009)

Judiciary (2007; 2009; 2011)

Legislative Operations and Elections (2011, Chair)

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2009)

Select Committee on Ethics (2011)

Senate Committees:

Education (2015; 2017)

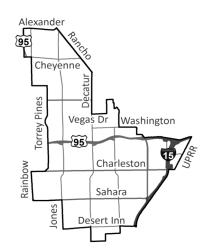
Health and Human Services (2013)

Judiciary (2013, Chair; 2015; 2017, Chair)

Legislative Operations and Elections

(2015; 2017)

Natural Resources (2013)



TICK SEGERBLOM

Democrat Senate District No. 3 Clark County (part) Attorney (continued)

Interim Committees:

Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice (2013-2014, Chair)

Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice's Subcommittee on the Medical Use of Marijuana (2013-2014)

Advisory Committee to Study Laws Concerning Sex Offender Registration (2009-2010; 2013-2014)

Committee to Conduct an Interim Study Concerning the Impact of Technology Upon Gaming (A.B. 360) (2013-2014)

Committee to Consult With the Director (2009-2010; 2013-2014)

Gaming Policy Committee (2013-2014)

Implementation of Courts of Chancery (A.C.R. 35) (2007-2008)

Legislative Committee on Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice (2013-2014)

National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws (2007-2008; 2009-2010)

Powers Delegated to Local Governments (S.B. 264) (2009-2010)

Requirements for Reapportionment and Redistricting (A.C.R. 19) (2009-2010, Chair)

Structure and Operations of the Nevada Legislature (A.C.R. 12) (2011-2012, Chair)

Trademark and Copyright Law (A.B. 383) (2011-2012, Chair)



JAMES A. SETTELMEYER Republican Senate District No. 17 Churchill, Douglas, Lyon, and Storey Counties 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

Served in 6 Regular Sessions and 8 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2006 to November 2010

Years in Senate:

November 2010 to Current

Leadership:

Senate Minority Whip, 2011

Senate Co-Majority Whip, 2015; 2015 Special Session; and 2016 Special Session

Senate Co-Minority Whip, 2017

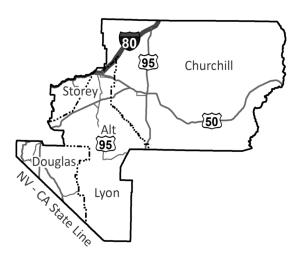
Legislative Commission: 2009; 2011; 2013; 2015; 2017

Assembly Committees:

Commerce and Labor (2007; 2009)

Elections, Procedures, Ethics, and Constitutional Amendments (2007; 2009)

Government Affairs (2007; 2009)



JAMES A. SETTELMEYER

Republican
Senate District No. 17
Churchill, Douglas, Lyon, and Storey Counties
Agriculturalist
(continued)

Senate Committees:

Commerce, Labor and Energy (2011; 2013; 2015, Chair; 2017)

Government Affairs (2011)

Legislative Operations and Elections (2011; 2013; 2015; 2017)

Natural Resources (2013; 2015; 2017)

Parliamentary Rules and Procedures (2015; 2017)

Interim Committees:

Committee to Consult With the Director (2013-2014)

Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee to Conduct a Review of Nevada's Revenue Structure (S.C.R. 37) (2009-2010)

Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee to Conduct a Review of Nevada's Revenue Structure Working Group to Review Responses to the Request for Proposal (2009-2010)

Issues Relating to Senior Citizens and Veterans (A.C.R. 35) (2007-2008)

Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Review Regulations (2013-2014; 2015-2016, Chair)

Legislative Committee for the Review and Oversight of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and the Marlette Lake Water System (2009-2010; 2011-2012; 2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Legislative Committee on Energy (2015-2016)

Legislative Committee on Public Lands (2015-2016)

Legislative Delegation to Meet With California Legislators Regarding the TRPA (S.B. 271) (2011-2012)

Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission (2011-2012; 2013-2014; 2015-2016, Chair)



PATRICIA (PAT) SPEARMAN Democrat Senate District No. 1 Clark County (part) Retired Soldier; Ordained Minister



Born: 1955 – Indianapolis, Indiana

Educated: Norfolk State University, B.S.; Seminary of the Southwest, Austin, Texas, Master of Divinity; Military Police Officer Basic and Advance Course; Department of Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute, Certified Equal Opportunity Manager; Walden University, Doctor of Business Administration (completing)

Military: United States Army Military Police Corps, 1977-2007

Hobbies/Special Interests: Playing and listening to music, reading, spending time with

family, meeting people, traveling

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 3 Regular Sessions and 4 Special Sessions

Years in Senate:

November 2012 to Current

Leadership:

Co-Majority Whip, 2017

Senate Committees:

Commerce, Labor and Energy (2015; 2017)

Education (2017)

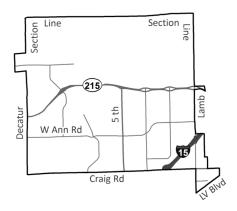
Government Affairs (2013)

Health and Human Services (2015, part; 2017, Chair)

Legislative Operations and Elections (2013, Chair)

Revenue and Economic Development (2015)

Transportation (2013)



PATRICIA (PAT) SPEARMAN

Democrat Senate District No. 1 Clark County (part) Retired Soldier; Ordained Minister (continued)

Interim Committees:

Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste (2013-2014)

Legislative Committee on Health Care (2015-2016)

Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults With Special Needs (2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Nevada Commission on Homeland Security (2013-2014)

Nevada Veterans Services Commission (2013-2014)

State Council for the Coordination of the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children (2013-2014)

Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission (2013-2014)



JOYCE WOODHOUSE

Democrat Senate District No. 5 Clark County (part) Teacher, Elementary School Principal, Retired Program Administrator



Born: 1944 - Wibaux, Montana

Educated: Carroll College, Helena, Montana, B.A., Elementary Education, 1966; University of Nevada, Las Vegas, M.A., Curriculum and Instruction, 1983; M.A., Educational

Administration, 1987

Married: Al Wittenberg (deceased)

Hobbies/Special Interests: Reading, golfing, volunteer work

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 5 Regular Sessions and 7 Special Sessions

Years in Senate:

November 2006 to November 2010; November 2012 to Current

Leadership:

Co-Minority Whip, 2016 Special Session

Co-Majority Whip, 2017

Legislative Commission: 2009

Interim Finance Committee: 2009; 2013; 2015; 2017

Served as Vice Chair from November 8, 2016, to February 5, 2017

Served as Chair from February 6, 2017, to Current

Senate Committees:

Commerce, Labor and Energy (2013)

Education (2013, Chair; 2015; 2017)

Finance (2009; 2013; 2015; 2017, Chair)

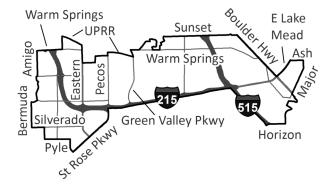
Health and Education (2009)

Health and Human Services (2015; 2017)

Human Resources and Education (2007)

Legislative Operations and Elections (2009, Chair)

Transportation and Homeland Security (2007)



JOYCE WOODHOUSE

Democrat
Senate District No. 5
Clark County (part)
Teacher, Elementary School Principal, Retired Program Administrator
(continued)

Interim Committees:

Advisory Council on Parental Involvement (2007-2008; 2009-2010)

Advisory Task Force on Educator Professional Development (S.B. 474) (2015-2016)

Committee to Conduct an Interim Study Concerning Community Colleges (S.B. 391) (2013-2014, Chair)

Committee to Conduct an Interim Study Concerning Community Colleges' Subcommittee on Governance and Funding (S.B. 391) (2013-2014)

Committee to Consult With the Director (2007-2008; 2009-2010)

Education Commission of the States (2009-2010; 2013-2014)

Governance and Oversight of the System of K-12 Public Education (A.C.R. 2) (2009-2010)

Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee to Review and Advise on the Development of Priorities and Performance Based Budgeting (PPBB) by the Department of Administration, Budget Division (2013-2014)

Interim Retirement and Benefits Committee (2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Issues Relating to Senior Citizens and Veterans (A.C.R. 35) (2007-2008)

Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Review Regulations (2009-2010)

Legislative Committee for the Fundamental Review of the Base Budgets of State Agencies (2009-2010, Chair)

Legislative Committee on Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice (2015-2016)

Legislative Committee on Education (2009-2010 and 2013-2014, Chair; 2015-2016)

Legislative Committee on Health Care (2013-2014)

Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults With Special Needs (2009-2010; 2015-2016)

Nevada Commission on Aging (2015-2016)

Nevada State Council for Interstate Juvenile Supervision (2007-2008)

Requirements for Reapportionment and Redistricting (A.C.R. 19) (2009-2010)

Subcommittee to Conduct a Study of Postacute Care (A.B. 242) (2015-2016)

Task Force on K-12 Public Education Funding Technical Advisory Committee (S.B. 500) (2013-2014, Chair)

BIOGRAPHIES OF MEMBERS OF THE NEVADA ASSEMBLY



D. PAUL ANDERSONRepublican
Assembly District No. 13
Clark County (part)
Business Owner



Born: 1970 - Las Vegas, Nevada

Educated: Chapman University, Orange, California, B.S., Business and Finance

Married: April Christensen Anderson *Children:* Jacob, Taylor, Jordan, Joseph

Hobbies/Special Interests: Cycling, outdoor sports, reading, traveling with family

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 3 Regular Sessions and 4 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2012 to Current

Leadership:

Assembly Majority Floor Leader, 2015; 2015 Special Session; and 2016 Special Session

Assembly Minority Floor Leader, 2017 **Interim Finance Committee:** 2013; 2015; 2017

Served as Vice Chair from January 22, 2015, to February 1, 2015 Served as Chair from February 2, 2015, to November 7, 2016

Assembly Committees:

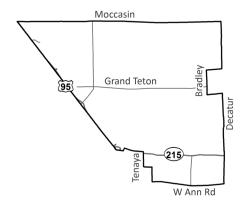
Commerce and Labor (2015; 2017)

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2013)

Taxation (2017)

Transportation (2013)

Ways and Means (2013; 2015, Chair; 2017)



D. PAUL ANDERSON

Republican
Assembly District No. 13
Clark County (part)
Business Owner
(continued)

Interim Committees:

Advisory Committee to Develop a Plan to Reorganize the Clark County School District (A.B. 394) (2015-2016)

Commission on Educational Technology (2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Committee to Consult With the Director (2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Information Technology Advisory Board (2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee to Review and Advise on the Development of Priorities and Performance Based Budgeting (PPBB) by the Department of Administration, Budget Division (2013-2014)

Interim Retirement and Benefits Committee (2015-2016)

Technological Crime Advisory Board (2013-2014)



ELLIOT T. ANDERSON Democrat Assembly District No. 15 Clark County (part) Attorney



Born: 1982 - Marshfield, Wisconsin

Educated: University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV), B.A., Political Science, magna cum

laude; UNLV, William S. Boyd School of Law, J.D., cum laude

Military: United States Marine Corps, 2001-2005

Hobbies/Special Interests: Running, basketball, reading

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 4 Regular Sessions and 4 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2010 to Current

Assembly Committees:

Corrections, Parole, and Probation (2017)

Education (2011; 2013, Chair; 2015; 2017)

Government Affairs (2011; 2013)

Judiciary (2015; 2017)

Legislative Operations and Elections (2013; 2015; 2017)

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2011)

Taxation (2011)

Interim Committees:

Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice (2015-2016)

Advisory Committee for a Veterans Cemetery in Southern Nevada (2013-2014)

Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste (2011-2012)

Committee to Consult With the Director (2013-2014, part)

Legislative Committee on Education (2013-2014)

Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults With Special Needs (2011-2012)

Nevada Veterans Services Commission (2011-2012; 2013-2014)





NELSON ARAUJO
Democrat
Assembly District No. 3
Clark County (part)
Senior Director of Collective Impact
and Diversity, United Way of
Southern Nevada



Born: 1987 - Las Vegas, Nevada

Educated: University of Nevada, Las Vegas, B.A., Communications; M.P.A.

Hobbies/Special Interests: CrossFit training

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 2 Regular Sessions and 2 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2014 to Current

Leadership:

Assistant Majority Floor Leader, 2017 **Legislative Commission:** 2015; 2017

Assemblywoman Marilyn Kirkpatrick resigned from office on August 19, 2015, and was replaced on the Legislative Commission by Assemblyman Nelson Araujo.

Interim Finance Committee: 2017

Assembly Committees:

Commerce and Labor (2017) Health and Human Services (2015)

Judiciary (2015)

Legislative Operations and Elections (2017)

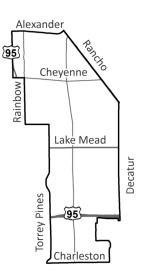
Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2015)

Transportation (2015)

Ways and Means (2017)

Interim Committees:

Legislative Committee on Education (2015-2016)





TERESA BENITEZ-THOMPSON Democrat Assembly District No. 27 Washoe County (part) 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, Sandra, Truckee

Hobbies/Special Interests: Family, volunteer activities, baking

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 4 Regular Sessions and 4 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2010 to Current

Leadership:

Assembly Co-Assistant Minority Floor Leader, 2015; 2015 Special Session; and

2016 Special Session Majority Floor Leader, 2017 **Legislative Commission:** 2015; 2017 **Interim Finance Committee:** 2015; 2017

Assembly Committees:

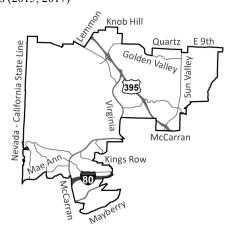
Government Affairs (2011; 2013, Chair)

Health and Human Services (2011; 2013; 2015; 2017)

Taxation (2011; 2013; 2015; 2017)

Transportation (2011)

Ways and Means (2015; 2017)



TERESA BENITEZ-THOMPSON

Democrat Assembly District No. 27 Washoe County (part) Licensed Social Worker (continued)

Interim Committees:

Advisory Council on Parental Involvement and Family Engagement (2013-2014) Board of Directors for Corporation for Public Benefit for Nevada Youth Legislature (2011-2012; 2013-2014)

Legislative Commission's Audit Subcommittee (2015-2016, Alternate)

Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Review Regulations (2011-2012; 2013-2014)

Legislative Committee for the Review and Oversight of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and the Marlette Lake Water System (2011-2012, appointed to replace Assemblywoman Peggy Pierce)

Legislative Committee on Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice (2011-2012)

Legislative Committee on Health Care (2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults With Special Needs (2011-2012; 2013-2014, Chair)

Legislative Committee to Oversee the Western Regional Water Commission (S.B. 487) (2011-2012)

Subcommittee to Conduct a Study of Postacute Care (A.B. 242) (2015-2016)



SHANNON BILBRAY-AXELROD
Democrat
Assembly District No. 34
Clark County (part)
Director of New Business Development



Born: 1973 – Las Vegas, Nevada **Educated:** University of San Diego

Married: Danny *Children:* Molly

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 1 Regular Session

Years in Assembly:

November 2016 to Current

Assembly Committees:

Government Affairs (2017) Legislative Operations and Elections (2017) Transportation (2017)

Coral Shores

Slanding

Smoke Ranch

W Lake Mead

Summerlin Pkwy

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CHRIS BROOKS
Democrat
Assembly District No. 10
Clark County (part)
Energy Consultant



Born: 1972 - Las Vegas, Nevada

Married: Michelle

Children: Arielle, Alan, Calvin

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 1 Regular Session

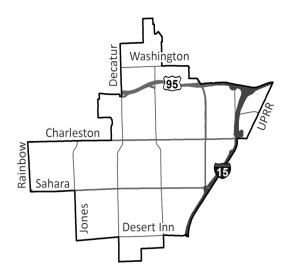
Years in Assembly:

November 2016 to Current

Assembly Committees:

Commerce and Labor (2017) Government Affairs (2017)

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2017)





IRENE BUSTAMANTE ADAMS
Democrat
Assembly District No. 42
Clark County (part)
Consultant



Born: 1968 - Hanford, California

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

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

Married: Brad

Children: Olivia, Alaina

Hobbies/Special Interests: Reading, sports, community service

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 4 Regular Sessions and 4 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2010 to Current

Leadership:

Speaker Pro Tempore, 2017 **Legislative Commission:** 2015

Interim Finance Committee: 2015; 2017

Assembly Committees:

Commerce and Labor (2011; 2013; 2015; 2017, Chair)

Government Affairs (2011; 2013)

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2011)

Taxation (2011; 2013, Chair; 2015; 2017)

Ways and Means (2015; 2017)



IRENE BUSTAMANTE ADAMS

Democrat
Assembly District No. 42
Clark County (part)
Consultant
(continued)

Interim Committees:

Committee to Consult With the Director (2013-2014, Chair; 2015-2016)
Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Review Regulations (2015-2016)
Legislative Committee on Public Lands (2011-2012)
Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission (2011-2012, Chair as of February 27, 2012, appointed to replace Senator Sheila Leslie; 2013-2014; 2015-2016)
Technological Crime Advisory Board (2011-2012)



MAGGIE CARLTON

Democrat
Assembly District No. 14
Clark County (part)
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

Served in 10 Regular Sessions and 14 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2010 to Current

Years in Senate:

November 1998 to November 2010

Leadership:

Assembly Co-Assistant Minority Floor Leader, 2015; 2015 Special Session; and

2016 Special Session

Legislative Commission: 2003; 2009

Interim Finance Committee: 2011; 2013; 2015; 2017

Served as Chair from November 6, 2012, to February 3, 2013 Served as Vice Chair from February 4, 2013, to December 8, 2014 Served as Chair from November 8, 2016, to February 5, 2017 Served as Vice Chair from February 6, 2017, to Current

Assembly Committees:

Commerce and Labor (2011; 2013; 2015; 2017)

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2011, Chair; 2015; 2017)

Transportation (2013)

Ways and Means (2011; 2013, Chair; 2015; 2017, Chair)



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MAGGIE CARLTON

Democrat
Assembly District No. 14
Clark County (part)
Community and Workforce Development,
Great Basin Primary Care Association
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Senate Committees:

Commerce and Labor (1999; 2001; 2003; 2005; 2007; 2009, Chair)

Energy, Infrastructure and Transportation (2009)

Legislative Affairs and Operations (1999)

Natural Resources (1999; 2001; 2003; 2005; 2007)

Taxation (2009)

Transportation (2001; 2003)

Transportation and Homeland Security (2005; 2007)

Interim Committees:

Advisory Board on Maternal and Child Health (1997-1998, appointed

December 12, 1998, to replace Senator Bernice Mathews; 1999-2000; 2001-2002;

2003-2004; 2005-2006; 2007-2008; 2009-2010)

Allocation of Limousines (2003-2004)

Commission on Special License Plates (2005-2006; 2007-2008; 2009-2010, Chair)

Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste (2013-2014, Chair)

Committee to Continue the Review of Programs and Activities in the Lake Tahoe Basin (A.C.R. 5) (2001-2002)

Governor's Steering Committee to Conduct a Fundamental Review of State Government (1999-2000)

Governor's Workforce Investment Board (2007-2008; 2009-2010)

Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee on Early Intervention Services (2011-2012)

Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee to Review and Advise on the Development of Priorities and Performance Based Budgeting (PPBB) by the Department of Administration, Budget Division (2013-2014)

Interim Retirement and Benefits Committee (2013-2014, Chair; 2015-2016)

Legislative Commission's Audit Subcommittee (2011-2012; 2013-2014, Chair; 2015-2016)

Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Review Regulations (2007-2008; 2009-2010)

Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Review the U.S. Department of Labor's Report on the Nevada Occupational Safety and Health Program (2009-2010, Chair)

Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study Water (2015-2016)

Legislative Committee for the Review and Oversight of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and the Marlette Lake Water System (2003-2004; 2005-2006; 2007-2008)

Legislative Committee on Children, Youth, and Families (2003-2004)

Legislative Committee on Health Care (2011-2012, appointed February 15, 2012, to replace Assemblywoman Peggy Pierce)

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 (S.B. 4) (2007-2008, Chair)

MAGGIE CARLTON

Democrat
Assembly District No. 14
Clark County (part)
Community and Workforce Development,
Great Basin Primary Care Association
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Interim Committees (continued):

Legislative Committee on Public Lands (2011-2012, Chair; 2013-2014; 2015-2016, Alternate)

Legislative Committee on Public Lands Subcommittee to Study Domestic and Municipal Water Wells (A.B. 408) (1999-2000)

Legislative Committee on Workers' Compensation (1999-2000)

Nevada State Council for Interstate Adult Offender Supervision (2001-2002)

Nevada's Industrial Insurance Program (2003-2004)

Study of the Integration of State and Local Child Welfare Systems (A.C.R. 53) (1999-2000)

Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission (2011-2012)

Telecommunication Services in Nevada (2003-2004)

Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE) Legislative Advisory Committee (2005-2006)



RICHARD CARRILLO
Democrat
Assembly District No. 18

Clark County (part) Business Owner, Contractor, Refrigeration Instructor, Realtor



Born: 1967 - Belen, New Mexico

Married: Annette Gunter *Children:* Heather *Grandchildren:* Giovanni

Hobbies/Special Interests: Volunteering, golfing, classic cars, motorcycles, autocrossing

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 4 Regular Sessions and 4 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2010 to Current

Assembly Committees:

Government Affairs (2015; 2017)

Health and Human Services (2011; 2017)

Judiciary (2011; 2013)

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2013; 2015)

Select Committee on the Assembly (2013)

Transportation (2011; 2013, Chair; 2015; 2017, Chair)

Interim Committees:

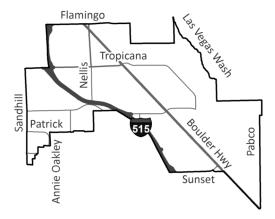
Advisory Committee to Study Laws Concerning Sex Offender Registration (2011-2012)

Commission on Special License Plates (2011-2012; 2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste (2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Committee to Consult With the Director (2013-2014, part)

Nevada State Council for Interstate Juvenile Offender Supervision (2011-2012)





LESLEY E. COHEN
Democrat
Assembly District No. 29
Clark County (part)
Attorney



Born: 1970 - New York City, New York

Educated: Valley High School, Las Vegas; University of Nevada, Reno, B.A.; DePaul

University College of Law, J.D., Chicago, Illinois

Hobbies/Special Interests: Yoga, retired racing greyhound adoption

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 2 Regular Sessions and 2 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

December 2012* to November 2014; November 2016 to Current

Assembly Committees:

Corrections, Parole, and Probation (2017)

Education (2013)

Judiciary (2013, Subcommittee [Common-Interest Communities] Chair; 2017)

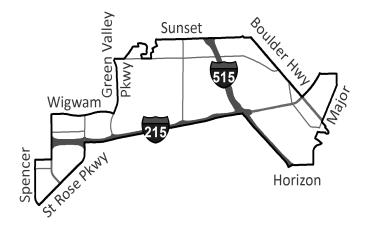
Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2013; 2017)

Taxation (2017)

Interim Committees:

National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws (2013-2014; 2015-2016, nonlegislative)

Task Force on the Prevention of Sexual Abuse of Children (2013-2014)



^{*}Appointed December 18, 2012, to fill vacancy created by resignation of Assemblywoman April Mastroluca.



RICHARD (SKIP) DALY

Democrat
Assembly District No. 31
Washoe County (part)
Business Manager/Secretary/Treasurer,
Laborers' Union Local 169, Reno



Born: 1959 - Reno, Nevada

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

Married: Lisa *Children:* Sara, Brian

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

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 3 Regular Sessions and 2 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2010 to November 2014; November 2016 to Current

Legislative Commission: 2013

Assembly Committees:

Commerce and Labor (2011; 2013; 2017)

Government Affairs (2013; 2017)

Legislative Operations and Elections (2011; 2017)

Judiciary (2011)

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2013, Chair)

Interim Committees:

Allocation of Money Distributed From the Local Government Tax Distribution Account (A.B. 71) (2011-2012)

Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste (2011-2012)

Committee to Consult With the Director (2013-2014)

Legislative Committee to Oversee the Western Regional Water Commission (S.B. 487, 2007) (2011-2012)

Sunset Committee of the Legislative Commission (2013-2014)





OLIVIA DIAZ

Democrat

Assembly District No. 11

Clark County (part)

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, Xavier Carson

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

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 4 Regular Sessions and 4 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2010 to Current

Leadership:

Assembly Co-Assistant Majority Whip, 2013; 2013 Special Session; and 2014 Special Session

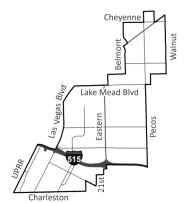
Interim Finance Committee: 2017

Assembly Committees:

Commerce and Labor (2013; 2015) Education (2011; 2013; 2015; 2017) Judiciary (2011; 2013; 2015)

Legislative Operations and Elections (2017, Chair)

Taxation (2015) Transportation (2011) Ways and Means (2017)



OLIVIA DIAZ

Democrat
Assembly District No. 11
Clark County (part)
Elementary School Teacher,
English Language Learner Specialist
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Interim Committees:

Advisory Board on Maternal and Child Health (2011-2012)

Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice's Subcommittee on the Medical Use of Marijuana (2013-2014)

Advisory Committee to Develop a Plan to Reorganize the Clark County School District (A.B. 394) (2015-2016, Vice Chair)

Advisory Council on Parental Involvement and Family Engagement (2011-2012)

Advisory Council on the State Program for Fitness and Wellness (2011-2012)

Committee to Conduct an Interim Study Concerning the Impact of Technology Upon Gaming (A.B. 360) (2013-2014)

Legislative Committee on Energy (2015-2016)



CHRIS EDWARDS
Republican
Assembly District No. 19
Clark County (part)
Strategic Planning



Born: 1965 - Sleepy Hollow, New York

Educated: University of Notre Dame, Indiana, B.A., Government; The George Washington

University, Washington, D.C., M.P.A.

Military: Commander, United States Navy, retired

Hobbies/Special Interests: Travel, discus-throwing, racquetball, sports

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 2 Regular Sessions and 2 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2014 to Current

Interim Finance Committee: 2015; 2017

Assembly Committees:

Education (2015; 2017)

Health and Human Services (2017)

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2015)

Ways and Means (2015; 2017)

Interim Committees:

Advisory Committee for a Veterans Cemetery in Southern Nevada (2015-2016)

Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste (2015-2016)

Nevada Veterans Services Commission (2015-2016)

Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission (2016, part*)



^{*}Assemblyman Erven T. Nelson resigned from office on February 10, 2016, and was replaced on the Sunset Subcommittee by Assemblyman Chris Edwards.



JOHN C. ELLISON Republican Assembly District No. 33 Elko, Eureka, Lincoln (part), and White Pine Counties Electrical Contractor



Born: 1953 – Elko, Nevada **Educated:** Elko High School

Married: Cindy

Children: Billy, Michelle, Nicole, John Jr. (deceased)

Military: United States Marine Corps

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

and friends

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 4 Regular Sessions and 4 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2010 to Current

Leadership:

Assembly Speaker Pro Tempore, 2015; 2015 Special Session; and 2016 Special Session Assembly Minority Whip Rural, 2017

Assembly Committees:

Commerce and Labor (2011; 2013; 2015) Government Affairs (2011; 2013; 2015, Chair; 2017)

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2011; 2013; 2015; 2017)

Taxation (2011)

Transportation (2017)

Interim Committees:

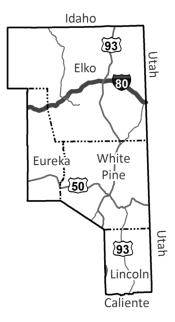
Allocation of Money Distributed From the Local Government Tax Distribution Account (A.B. 71) (2011-2012)

Commission on Special License Plates (2011-2012)

Committee on Industrial Programs (2011-2012)

Legislative Committee on Public Lands

(2013-2014; 2015-2016)





EDGAR R. FLORES Democrat Assembly District No. 28 Clark County (part) Attorney



Born: Las Vegas, Nevada

Educated: University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV), B.A., English; UNLV, William S.

Boyd School of Law, J.D.

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 2 Regular Sessions and 2 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2014 to Current

Assembly Committees:

Education (2015; 2017)

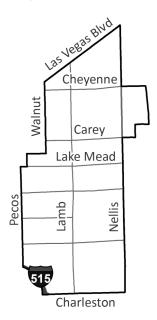
Government Affairs (2015; 2017, Chair)

Taxation (2017)

Transportation (2015)

Interim Committee:

Technological Crime Advisory Board (2015-2016)





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



Born: 1970 - Los Angeles, California

Spouse: Abbie Children: Two

Educated: University of Nevada, Reno, B.S., Health Science; University of Nevada,

Las Vegas, William S. Boyd School of Law, J.D.

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

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 3 Regular Sessions and 2 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2010 to November 2014; November 2016 to Current

Leadership:

Assembly Assistant Majority Floor Leader, 2013; 2013 Special Session; and 2014 Special Session

Assembly Speaker, 2017

Interim Finance Committee: 2017

Legislative Commission: 2013, Vice Chair

Assembly Committees:

Commerce and Labor (2013; 2017) Health and Human Services (2011) Judiciary (2011; 2013, Chair) Taxation (2013; 2017)

Transportation (2011) Ways and Means (2017)

Interim Committees:

Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice (2013-2014)

Gaming Policies

Gaming Policy Committee (2013-2014)

Legislative Committee on Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice (2011-2012)

Nevada State Council for Interstate Adult

Offender Supervision (2011-2012) Structure and Operations of the Nevada

Legislature (A.C.R. 12) (2011-2012) Trademark and Copyright Law (A.B. 383) (2011-2012)





OZZIE FUMODemocrat
Assembly District No. 21
Clark County (part)
Attorney



Born: 1965 - Arlington, Virginia

Educated: Bishop Gorman High School, Summerlin, Nevada, 1983; University of

San Diego, California, 1987; Whittier Law School, Costa Mesa, California, 1995

Married: Ellen

Children: Genevieve, Veronica, Gabriella, Scott, Stephanie

Hobbies/Special Interests: Spending time with family, traveling, occasional cigar

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

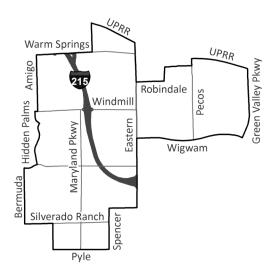
Served in 1 Regular Session

Years in Assembly:

November 2016 to Current

Assembly Committees:

Corrections, Parole, and Probation (2017) Education (2017) Judiciary (2017) Transportation (2017)





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

Served in 5 Regular Sessions and 6 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2008 to Current

Leadership:

Assembly Speaker, 2015

Interim Finance Committee: 2011; 2013; 2015; 2017

Legislative Commission: 2015; 2017

Assembly Committees:

Corrections, Parole, and Probation (2009)

Elections, Procedures, Ethics, and Constitutional Amendments (2009)

Health and Human Services (2009; 2011; 2013; 2015; 2017)

Judiciary (2009)

Legislative Operations and Elections (2017)

Taxation (2015)

Transportation (2011; 2013)

Ways and Means (2011; 2013; 2015; 2017)



JOHN HAMBRICK

Republican Assembly District No. 2 Clark County (part) Retired Investigator (continued)

Interim Committees:

Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice (2015-2016)

Advisory Council on Parental Involvement and Family Engagement (2015-2016)

Committee on Industrial Programs (2009-2010)

Committee to Consult With the Director (2015-2016)

Interim Finance Committee's Subcommittee on Early Intervention Services (2011-2012)

Legislative Commission's Audit Subcommittee (2015-2016)

Legislative Committee on Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice (2009-2010; 2011-2012; 2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Nevada State Council for Interstate Adult Offender Supervision (2015-2016)

Nevada State Council for Interstate Juvenile Supervision (2015-2016)



IRA HANSEN

Republican
Assembly District No. 32
Esmeralda, Humboldt, Lander, Mineral,
Nye (part), Pershing, and Washoe
(part) Counties
Plumbing Contractor



Born: 1960 – Reno, Nevada **Married:** Alexis (Lloyd)

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

Grandchildren: Lily, London, Finnan, Ellie, Forrest, Emerson, Sawyer, Redd, Oliver, Wyatt *Hobbies/Special Interests:* Nevada history, reading, hunting/fishing, nature study, camping

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 4 Regular Sessions and 4 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2010 to Current

Leadership:

Assembly Assistant Majority Floor Leader, 2015; 2015 Special Session; and 2016 Special Session

Legislative Commission: 2011; 2013; 2015; 2017

Assembly Committees:

Commerce and Labor (2013; 2015; 2017) Corrections, Parole, and Probation (2017)

Education (2011)

Judiciary (2011; 2013; 2015, Chair; 2017) Legislative Operations and Elections (2017)

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2011; 2013; 2015)

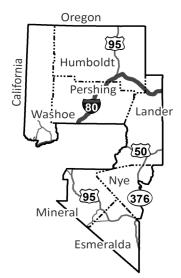
Interim Committees:

Gaming Policy Committee (2013-2014; 2015-2016) Legislative Commission's Audit Subcommittee (2015-2016)

Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Review Regulations (2013-2014)

Legislative Committee on Public Lands (2011-2012; 2013-2014; 2015-2016)

New Method for Funding Public Schools (S.B. 11) (2011-2012)





SANDRA JAUREGUI Democrat Assembly District No. 41 Clark County (part) Housing/Real Estate



Born: 1983 - Monterey Park, California

Educated: Mt. San Antonio College, Walnut, California, A.A.; University of Nevada,

Las Vegas, B.A.

Hobbies/Special Interests: Hiking and running

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 1 Regular Session

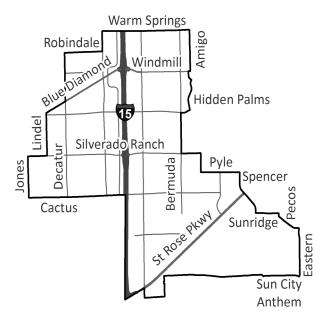
Years in Assembly:

November 2016 to Current

Assembly Committees:

Commerce and Labor (2017) Corrections, Parole, and Probation (2017) Judiciary (2017)

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2017)





AMBER JOINER
Democrat
Assembly District No. 24
Washoe County (part)
University Adjunct Professor



Born: 1976 - Reno, Nevada

Educated: Robert McQueen High School, Reno; University of Nevada, Reno, B.A., *magna cum laude*; Atitlan Language Academy, Advanced Spanish Program, Santa Anna, Costa Rica; Sichuan University (USAC), Chengdu, China; University of Maryland, College Park, M.A.; University of Nevada, Reno, Ph.D. Candidate in Public Policy and Public Administration

Married: Kyle

Children: Eleanor, Stewart

Hobbies/Special Interests: Camping, hiking, gardening, singing, piano

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 2 Regular Sessions and 2 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

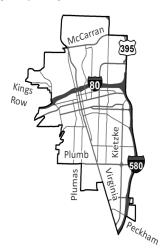
December 2014* to Current

Assembly Committees:

Education (2015; 2017)

Government Affairs (2015; 2017)

Health and Human Services (2015; 2017)



^{*}Appointed December 30, 2014, to fill vacancy created by resignation of Assemblyman David P. Bobzien.

AMBER JOINER

Democrat Assembly District No. 24 Washoe County (part) University Adjunct Professor (continued)

Interim Committees:

Advisory Council on the State Program for Wellness and the Prevention of Chronic Disease (2015-2016)

Advisory Task Force on Educator Professional Development (2015-2016) Board of Directors for Corporation for Public Benefit for Nevada Youth Legislature (2015-2016)



AL KRAMER
Republican
Assembly District No. 40

Carson City and Washoe County (part)
Computer Programmer, Accountant,
Public Someont

Computer Prog Public Servant



Born: 1948 - Reno, Nevada

Educated: Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, B.S.; Claremont Graduate School,

Claremont, California, M.B.A.

Married: Candice

Children: Daniel, Alex, Joy

Military: Intelligence Officer, United States Army, 1971-1975 *Hobbies/Special Interests:* Fishing, gold panning, problem solving

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 1 Regular Session

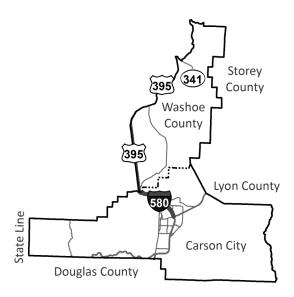
Years in Assembly:

November 2016 to Current

Assembly Committees:

Commerce and Labor (2017) Government Affairs (2017)

Taxation (2017)





LISA KRASNER
Republican
Assembly District No. 26
Washoe County (part)
Political Science College Instructor



Born: California

Educated: University of California, Los Angeles, B.A.; University of LaVerne, College of

Law, J.D.

Married: Charles Children: Two

Hobbies/Special Interests: Reading

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 1 Regular Session

Years in Assembly:

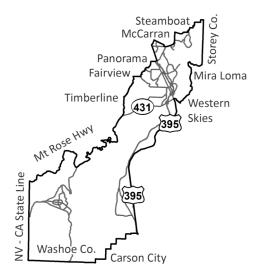
November 2016 to Current

Assembly Committees:

Corrections, Parole, and Probation (2017) Education (2017)

Judiciary (2017)

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2017)





JIM MARCHANT Republican Assembly District No. 37 Clark County (part) Retired

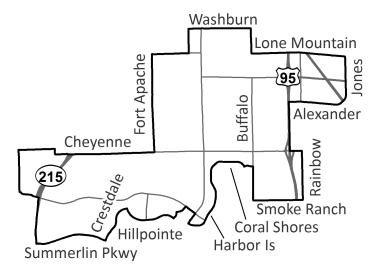


Born: 1956 – Gainesville, Florida **Hobbies/Special Interests:** Dirt bike riding

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 1 Regular Session

Years in Assembly:
November 2016 to Current
Assembly Committees:
Commerce and Labor (2017)
Government Affairs (2017)
Taxation (2017)





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



Born: Lake Forest, Illinois

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

Davis, B.A., Economics

Married: Trish

Children: Kimberly, Michele

Grandchildren: Five

Military: Pilot, United States Air Force 1966-1972, Vietnam Tour of Duty, 1968

Hobbies/Special Interests: Dirt biking

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 3 Regular Sessions and 2 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2008 to November 2012; November 2016 to Current

Legislative Commission: 2011

Assembly Committees:

Corrections, Parole, and Probation (2009)

Education (2009; 2011) Government Affairs (2017) Judiciary (2009; 2011)

Legislative Operations and Elections

(2011; 2017)Taxation (2009)

Transportation (2017)

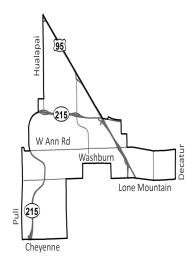
Interim Committees:

Advisory Commission on the

Administration of Justice (2011-2012)

Sunset Subcommittee of the

Legislative Commission (2011-2012)





WILLIAM MCCURDY II
Democrat
Assembly District No. 6
Clark County (part)
Organizer, Service Employees
International Union



Born: 1988 – Las Vegas, Nevada

Educated: College of Southern Nevada, Henderson, A.A.

Children: William III, Charles

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 1 Regular Session

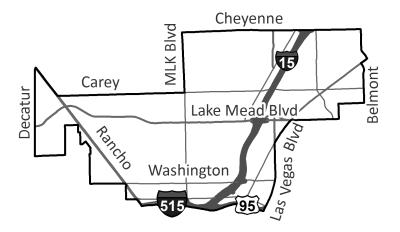
Years in Assembly:

November 2016 to Current

Assembly Committees:

Education (2017) Government Affairs (2017)

Health and Human Services (2017)





BRITTNEY MILLER
Democrat
Assembly District No. 5
Clark County (part)
Teacher, Clark County School District



Born: 1974 – Detroit, Michigan

Educated: Saginaw Valley State University, Michigan, B.A., Criminal Justice; Oakland University, Michigan, M.P.A.; Sierra Nevada College, Las Vegas campus, M.A.T. with a

K-8 Licensure

Hobbies/Special Interests: Traveling, sports, movies, reading

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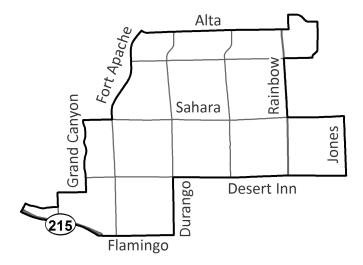
Served in 1 Regular Session

Years in Assembly:

November 2016 to Current

Assembly Committees:

Corrections, Parole, and Probation (2017) Education (2017) Health and Human Services (2017) Judiciary (2017)





DANIELE MONROE-MORENODemocrat
Assembly District No. 1
Clark County (part)
Retired Corrections Officer



Born: 1964 - Tucson, Arizona

Children: Candace, Cassandra, Celena

Hobbies/Special Interests: Spoiling my grandchildren, volunteering in my community,

cooking, organizing/planning events

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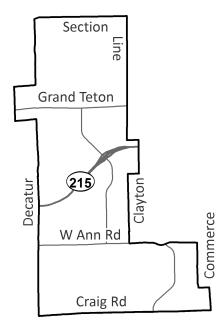
Served in 1 Regular Session

Years in Assembly:

November 2016 to Current

Assembly Committees:

Government Affairs (2017) Legislative Operations and Elections (2017) Transportation (2017)





DINA NEALDemocrat
Assembly District No. 7
Clark County (part)
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

Served in 4 Regular Sessions and 4 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2010 to Current

Legislative Commission: 2015-2017 (Alternate for Assemblywoman Bustamante Adams)

Assembly Committees:

Commerce and Labor (2015; 2017)

Education (2011; 2013)

Government Affairs (2011; 2013; 2015; 2017) Select Committee on the Assembly (2013) Taxation (2011; 2013; 2015; 2017, Chair)

Transportation (2011)

Interim Committees:

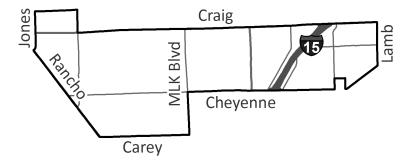
Advisory Committee to Develop a Plan to Reorganize the Clark County School District (A.B. 394) (2015-2016)

Education Commission of the States (2011-2012)

Host Committee for 2013 Annual Meeting for The Council of State

Governments-WEST (2011-2012)

Southern Nevada Enterprise Community Board (S.B. 352) (2011-2012; 2013-2014)





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



Born: 1972 - Las Vegas, Nevada

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

UNLV, William S. Boyd School of Law, J.D.

Hobbies/Special Interests: Hiking, climbing, skiing

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 6 Regular Sessions and 8 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2006 to Current

Assembly Committees:

Commerce and Labor (2011; 2013; 2015; 2017)

Corrections, Parole, and Probation (2009; 2017, Chair)

Elections, Procedures, Ethics, and Constitutional Amendments (2007; 2009)

Judiciary (2007; 2009; 2011; 2013; 2015; 2017)

Legislative Operations and Elections (2011; 2013, Chair; 2015; 2017)

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2007; 2009)

Taxation (2007)



JAMES OHRENSCHALL

Democrat
Assembly District No. 12
Clark County (part)
Attorney
(continued)

Interim Committees:

Advisory Committee for a Veterans Cemetery in Southern Nevada (2011-2012)

Commission on Educational Technology (2011-2012)

Committee on Industrial Programs (2011-2012, Chair; 2015-2016)

Deposits and Refunds on Recycled Products (A.B. 427) (2011-2012, Chair)

Governor's Workforce Investment Board (2009-2010; 2011-2012; 2013-2014)

Legislative Committee on Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice (2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Legislative Committee on Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice's Task Force to Study Juvenile Justice Issues (2013-2014, Chair)

National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws (2011-2012; 2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Nevada AIDS Advisory Task Force (2009-2010)

Nevada Autism Task Force (A.B. 629) (2007-2008)

Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE) Legislative Advisory Committee (2007-2008)



JAMES OSCARSON Republican Assembly District No. 36 Clark (part), Lincoln (part), and Nye (part) Counties Health Care, Marketing



Born: 1957 - Ogden, Utah

Educated: Community College of Southern Nevada

Married: Rebecca

Children: Jared, Joel, Bren

Hobbies/Special Interests: Fishing, travel, exploring rural Nevada with family

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 3 Regular Sessions and 4 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2012 to Current

Leadership:

Assembly Co-Deputy Minority Floor Leader, 2017

Legislative Commission: 2017

Interim Finance Committee: 2015; 2017

Assembly Committees:

Government Affairs (2013)

Health and Human Services (2013; 2015, Chair; 2017) Legislative Operations and Elections (2013; 2017) Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2015)

Ways and Means (2015; 2017)



JAMES OSCARSON

Republican
Assembly District No. 36
Clark (part), Lincoln (part), and Nye (part) Counties
Health Care, Marketing
(continued)

Interim Committees:

Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste (2013-2014; 2015-2016) Committee on Industrial Programs (2015-2016, Chair) Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study Water (2015-2016) Legislative Committee on Health Care (2013-2014, 2015-2016, Chair) Task Force on Alzheimer's Disease (2015-2016)



KEITH PICKARD Republican Assembly District No. 22 Clark County (part) Attorney



Born: 1962 - Long Beach, California

Educated: Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, B.S.; University of Nevada, Las Vegas,

William S. Boyd School of Law, J.D.

Married: Margaret

Children: Lisa, Stetson, Dean, Rian, Bailey, Hayden, Kathleen

Hobbies/Special Interests: Competitive shooting, reading, woodworking and finish

carpentry, cooking, family

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 1 Regular Session

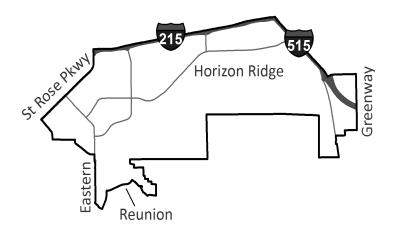
Years in Assembly:

November 2016 to Current

Assembly Committees:

Corrections, Parole, and Probation (2017) Education (2017) Judiciary (2017)

Taxation (2017)





ELLEN B. SPIEGEL Democrat Assembly District No. 20 Clark County (part) **Business Consultant**



Born: 1962 - New York City, New York

Educated: Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, B.S.

Married: Bill

Hobbies/Special Interests: Cooking, traveling, theater/art appreciation

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 4 Regular Sessions and 6 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2008 to November 2010; November 2012 to Current

Leadership:

Assembly Co-Assistant Majority Whip, 2017

Interim Finance Committee: 2017

Assembly Committees:

Government Affairs (2009; 2015)

Health and Human Services (2009; 2013; 2015)

Judiciary (2013)

Taxation (2017)

Transportation (2009; 2013; 2015; 2017)

Ways and Means (2017)

Interim Committees:

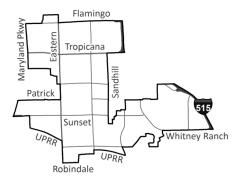
Advisory Board on Maternal and Child Health (2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Legislative Committee on Health Care (2009-2010)

Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults With Special Needs (2009-2010; 2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Nevada Commission on Aging (2013-2014)

Safe-to-Tell Program Advisory Committee (2015-2016)



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MICHAEL C. SPRINKLE Democrat Assembly District No. 30 Washoe County (part) Paramedic/Firefighter



Born: 1968 - San Francisco, California

Educated: Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles, California, B.L.A.

Married: Kristi

Children: Michael, Devin, Austin

Hobbies/Special Interests: Multiple sports, fishing, hiking, camping, reading, theater

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 3 Regular Session and 4 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2012 to Current

Leadership:

Assembly Majority Whip, 2017

Interim Finance Committee: 2013; 2015; 2017

Assembly Committees:

Health and Human Services (2013; 2015; 2017, Chair)

Transportation (2013; 2015; 2017) Ways and Means (2013; 2015; 2017)

Interim Committees:

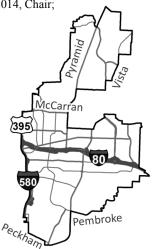
Committee on Industrial Programs (2013-2014)

Legislative Commission's Audit Subcommittee (2013-2014; 2015-2016)

Legislative Committee for the Review and Oversight of the Tahoe Regional Planning

Agency and the Marlette Lake Water System (2013-2014, Chair;

2015-2016)





HEIDI SWANK

Democrat

Assembly District No. 16

Clark County (part)

Executive Director,

Nevada Preservation Foundation



Born: 1968 - Prescott, Wisconsin

Educated: Prescott High School, Prescott, Wisconsin; Hamline University, St. Paul,

Minnesota, B.A.; Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois, M.A., Ph.D.

Married: Scott

Hobbies/Special Interests: Camping, hiking, collecting midcentury furniture

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 3 Regular Sessions and 4 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2012 to Current

Leadership:

Assembly Co-Assistant Majority Whip, 2017

Interim Finance Committee: 2015; 2017

Assembly Committees:

Education (2013; 2015; 2017)

Government Affairs (2013)

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining

(2013; 2015; 2017, Chair)

Transportation (2013)

Ways and Means (2015; 2017)

Interim Committees:

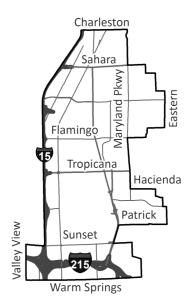
Committee to Consult With the Director (2015-2016)

Interim Retirement and Benefits Committee (2013-2014)

Legislative Committee for the Review and Oversight of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and the Marlette Lake Water System (2013-2014)

Legislative Committee on Public Lands (2015-2016)

P-20W Advisory Council (2013-2014; 2015-2016)





TYRONE THOMPSON
Democrat
Assembly District No. 17
Clark County (part)
Public Administrator and
Entrepreneur



Born: 1967 - North Las Vegas, Nevada

Educated: Valley High School, Las Vegas, Nevada; Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff,

B.S., Criminal Justice; University of Phoenix, M.A., Organizational Management

Godsons: Rylan, Jace

Hobbies/Special Interests: Community mediation, journaling, volunteering

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 3 Regular Sessions and 4 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

April 2013* to Current

Leadership:

Assembly Chief Deputy Majority Whip, 2017

Assembly Committees:

Corrections, Parole, and Probation (2017)

Education (2017, Chair)

Health and Human Services (2013; 2015; 2017)

Judiciary (2013; 2015; 2017)

Legislative Operations and Elections (2013; 2015)

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2013)

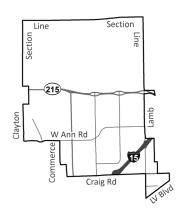
Interim Committees:

Advisory Committee on Nevada Criminal Justice Information Sharing (2013-2014)

Committee to Consult With the Director (2013-2014)

Governor's Workforce Investment Board (2013-2014)

Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Review Regulations (2015-2016) Nevada AIDS Advisory Task Force (2015-2016)



^{*}Appointed April 16, 2013, to fill vacancy created by expulsion of Assemblyman Steven J. Brooks.



ROBIN L. TITUS, M.D.
Republican
Assembly District No. 38
Churchill and Lyon (part) Counties
Family Practice Physician



Born: 1954 - Trenton, New Jersey

Educated: Smith Valley High School; University of Nevada, Reno, B.S.; University of

Nevada School of Medicine, M.D.

Married: Allen Veil

Children: Jennifer, Buck; Stepchildren: Veronica, Erica, Clint Grandchildren: Reegan, Riley, Keelan, Sophia, Olivia, Ukaius

Hobbies/Special Interests: Hunting, fishing, exploring Nevada's ghost towns,

hiking, running

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 2 Regular Sessions and 2 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2014 to Current

Interim Finance Committee: 2015; 2017

Assembly Committees:

Health and Human Services (2015; 2017)

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2015, Chair; 2017)

Ways and Means (2015; 2017)

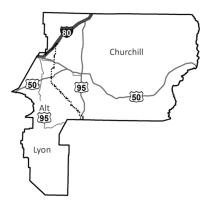
Interim Committees:

Education Commission of the States (2015-2016)

Legislative Committee for the Review and Oversight of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and the Marlette Lake Water System (2015-2016)

Legislative Committee on Public Lands (2015-2016)

Subcommittee to Conduct a Study of Postacute Care (A.B. 242) (2015-2016, Chair)





JILL TOLLES
Republican
Assembly District No. 25
Washoe County (part)
Small Business Owner,
Adjunct Professor, University of
Nevada, Reno, and
National Judicial College



Born: Greensboro, North Carolina

Educated: University of Nevada, Reno, B.A. and M.A., Communication Studies

Married: Par Children: Two

Hobbies/Special Interests: Fly fishing, running

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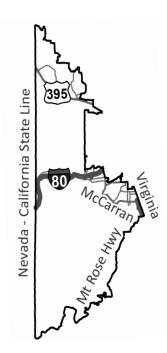
Served in 1 Regular Session

Years in Assembly:

November 2016 to Current

Assembly Committees:

Commerce and Labor (2017) Corrections, Parole, and Probation (2017) Education (2017) Judiciary (2017)





JUSTIN WATKINSDemocrat
Assembly District No. 35
Clark County (part)
Attorney



Born: 1979 – Las Vegas, Nevada

Educated: Cheyenne High School, Las Vegas; Oregon State University, Corvallis, B.S.,

Civil Engineering; University of San Diego, J.D.

Married: Marni

Children: Adyson, Sydney

Hobbies/Special Interests: Hunting, fishing, camping, obstacle course racing, snowboarding

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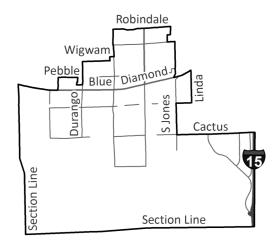
Served in 1 Regular Session

Years in Assembly:

November 2016 to Current

Assembly Committees:

Corrections, Parole, and Probation (2017) Judiciary (2017) Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2017) Transportation (2017)





JIM WHEELER
Republican
Assembly District No. 39
Douglas, Lyon (part), and
Storey Counties
Retired CEO



Born: 1953 - Los Angeles, California

Educated: North Hollywood High School, North Hollywood, California; Pierce College, Woodland Hills, California; University of Southern California, Los Angeles, California

Children: Dana, Nick, Charlee

Military: United States Air Force, 1975-1977

Hobbies/Special Interests: Golf, horse reining, automobile racing

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 3 Regular Sessions and 4 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2012 to Current

Leadership:

Assembly Majority Whip, 2015; 2015 Special Session; and 2016 Special Session Assembly Co-Deputy Minority Floor Leader, 2017

Assembly Committees:

Corrections, Parole, and Probation (2017) Government Affairs (2015, part) Judiciary (2013; 2015, part; 2017)

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2013; 2015; 2017)

Transportation (2013; 2015, Chair; 2017)

Interim Committees:

Commission on Special License Plates (2013-2014; 2015-2016, Chair)

Legislative Committee for the Review and Oversight of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and the Marlette Lake Water System (2015-2016)

Legislative Committee on Public Lands (2015-2016, Alternate)

Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults With Special Needs (2013-2014)





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



Born: Palo Alto, California

Educated: Boulder City High School; Brigham Young University, B.S., Special Education; Southern Utah University, Cedar City, M.Ed.; studied abroad in Africa, France, and Israel *Hobbies/Special Interests:* Baseball, outdoor recreation, traveling, musical theater, piano

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 5 Regular Sessions and 6 Special Sessions

Years in Assembly:

November 2008 to Current

Leadership:

Assembly Minority Whip, 2017

Assembly Committees:

Education (2009; 2011; 2013; 2015, Chair; 2017) Government Affairs (2009; 2011; 2013; 2015; 2017) Taxation (2011)

Transportation (2009; 2011; 2013; 2015; 2017)

Interim Committees:

Legislative Committee on Education (2015-2016, Chair) Nevada Interagency Coordinating Council (2013-2014)

Advisory Committee to Develop a Plan ro Reorganize the Clark County School District (A.B. 394) (2015-2016)





STEVE YEAGER
Democrat
Assembly District No. 9
Clark County (part)
Clark County Chief Deputy
Public Defender



Born: 1978 - Brooklyn Center, Minnesota

Educated: University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, B.A., History and Spanish; Cornell Law

School, Ithaca, New York, J.D., cum laude

Married: Bita

Hobbies/Special Interests: Running, hiking, reading, writing, traveling

LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Served in 1 Regular Session

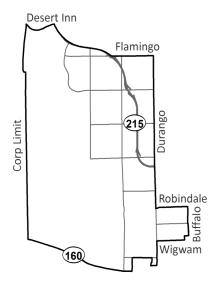
Years in Assembly:

November 2016 to Current

Assembly Committees:

Corrections, Parole, and Probation (2017) Health and Human Services (2017) Judiciary (2017, Chair)

Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2017)



MEMBERS OF THE NEVADA LEGISLATURE

CHAPTER I MEMBERS OF THE NEVADA LEGISLATURE 2017 SESSION

SENATE

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Atkinson, Kelvin D. (D) No. 4 Clark (part)	4165 Fuselier Drive North Las Vegas, NV 89032 Kelvin.Atkinson@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 457-9995 (H/F)
Cancela, Yvanna D. (D)†** No. 10 Clark (part)	2807 Geary Place, No. 2506 Las Vegas, NV 89109 Yvanna.Cancela@sen.state.nv.us	(775) 684-1427 (O)
Cannizzaro, Nicole J. (D) No. 6 Clark (part)	7901 Cocoa Beach Circle Las Vegas, NV 89128 Nicole.Cannizzaro@sen.state.nv.us	(775) 684-1475 (O)
Denis, Moises (Mo) (D)** No. 2 Clark (part)	3204 Osage Avenue Las Vegas, NV 89101 Moises.Denis@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 657-6857 (H) (702) 743-3571 (C)
Farley, Patricia (NP)** No. 8 Clark (part)	1930 Village Center Circle, No. 3-619 Las Vegas, NV 89134 Patricia.Farley@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 370-6649 (O)
Ford, Aaron D. (D) No. 11 Clark (part)	P.O. Box 96003 Las Vegas, NV 89193 Aaron.Ford@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 772-5544 (O/C)
Gansert, Heidi S. (R) No. 15 Washoe (part)	316 California Avenue, No. 519 Reno, NV 89509 Heidi. Gansert@sen.state.nv.us	(775) 684-1419 (O)
Goicoechea, Pete (R) No. 19 Clark (part), Elko, Eureka, Lincoln, Nye (part), White Pine	P.O. Box 97 Eureka, NV 89316 Pete.Goicoechea@sen.state.nv.us	(775) 237-5300 (H) (775) 237-7383 (O) (775) 778-1620 (C) (775) 237-5102 (F)
Gustavson, Donald (Don) G. (R)** No. 14 Esmeralda, Humboldt, Lander, Mineral, Nye (part), Pershing, Washoe (part)	P.O. Box 51601 Sparks, NV 89435 Don. Gustavson@sen.state.nv.us	(775) 722-1278 (C)
Hammond, Scott T. (R) No. 18 Clark (part)	8408 Gracious Pine Avenue Las Vegas, NV 89143 Scott.Hammond@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 523-9055 (H)

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^{**}Term expires November 2018.

[†]Appointed by the Clark County Commission to fill vacancy created by Ruben J. Kihuen's election to Congressional District No. 4 on November 8, 2016.

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Name, Party, District,* and County	Mailing and E-Mail Addresses	Telephone and/or Fax
Hardy, Joseph (Joe) P., M.D. (R)** No. 12 Clark (part)	P.O. Box 60306 Boulder City, NV 89006 Joe.Hardy@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 293-7506 (H) (702) 581-3066 (C) (702) 293-2172 (F)
Harris, Becky (R)** No. 9 Clark (part)	P.O. Box 401146 Las Vegas, NV 89140 Becky.Harris@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 324-0404 (O)
Kieckhefer, Ben (R)** No. 16 Carson City, Washoe (part)	10045 Goler Wash Court Reno, NV 89521 Ben.Kieckhefer@sen.state.nv.us	(775) 223-9618 (C)
Manendo, Mark A. (D)** No. 21 Clark (part)	4030 Beisner Street Las Vegas, NV 89122 Mark.Manendo@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 451-8654 (H) (702) 451-9060 (F)
Parks, David R. (D) No. 7 Clark (part)	P.O. Box 71887 Las Vegas, NV 89170 David.Parks@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 736-6929 (H)
Ratti, Julia (D)** No. 13 Washoe (part)	P.O. Box 4228 Sparks, NV 89432 Julia.Ratti@sen.state.nv.us	(775) 525-0359 (O)
Roberson, Michael (R)** No. 20 Clark (part)	P.O. Box 530940 Henderson, NV 89053 Michael.Roberson@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 575-9112 (H)
Segerblom, Tick (D) No. 3 Clark (part)	701 East Bridger Avenue, No. 520 Las Vegas, NV 89101 Tick.Segerblom@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 388-9600 (O) (702) 385-2909 (F)
Settelmeyer, James A. (R)** No. 17 Churchill, Douglas, Lyon, Storey	2388 Highway 395 Minden, NV 89423 James.Settelmeyer@sen.state.nv.us	(775) 450-6114 (C) (775) 322-8889 (F)
Spearman, Patricia (Pat) (D) No. 1 Clark (part)	5575 Simmons Street, No. 1-174 North Las Vegas, NV 89031 Pat.Spearman@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 706-5785 (H) (702) 701-0612 (O)
Woodhouse, Joyce (D) No. 5 Clark (part)	246 Garfield Drive Henderson, NV 89074 Joyce.Woodhouse@sen.state.nv.us	(702) 896-1453 (H) (702) 407-9258 (F)

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ASSEMBLY

The information contained in Chapter I is current as of January 2017. To access the most current information, refer to "Legislator Information" at http://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/Legislator/A/Assembly/79th2017/.

Name, Party, District,* and County	Mailing and E-Mail Addresses	Telephone and/or Fax
Anderson, D. Paul (R) No. 13 Clark (part)	7322 South Rainbow Boulevard No. 51 Las Vegas, NV 89139 Paul.Anderson@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 410-6645 (O) (702) 735-7372 (F)
Anderson, Elliot T. (D) No. 15 Clark (part)	3135 South Mojave Road, No. 227 Las Vegas, NV 89121 Elliot.Anderson@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 733-4073 (H)
Araujo, Nelson (D) No. 3 Clark (part)	P.O. Box 295 Las Vegas, NV 89125 Nelson.Araujo@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 900-2189 (C)
Benitez-Thompson, Teresa (D) No. 27 Washoe (part)	P.O. Box 5730 Reno, NV 89513 Teresa.BenitezThompson@asm.state.nv.u	(775) 247-7665 (C)
Bilbray-Axelrod, Shannon (D) No. 34 Clark (part)	1608 Hills of Red Drive, No. 203 Las Vegas, NV 89128 Shannon.BilbrayAxelrod@asm.state.nv.u	(775) 684-8847 (O)
Brooks, Chris (D) No. 10 Clark (part)	3540 West Sahara Avenue, No. 188 Las Vegas, NV 89102 Chris.Brooks@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 682-1294 (C)
Bustamante Adams, Irene (D) No. 42 Clark (part)	3800 Reflection Way Las Vegas, NV 89147 Irene.BustamanteAdams@asm.state.nv.u	(702) 542-3900 (H)
Carlton, Maggie (D) No. 14 Clark (part)	5540 East Cartwright Avenue Las Vegas, NV 89110 Maggie. Carlton@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 236-5401 (O)
Carrillo, Richard (D) No. 18 Clark (part)	4819 Diza Court Las Vegas, NV 89122 Richard.Carrillo@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 273-8786 (H)
Cohen, Lesley E. (D) No. 29 Clark (part)	2657 Windmill Parkway, No. 415 Henderson, NV 89074 Lesley.Cohen@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 715-0772 (O)
Daly, Richard (Skip) (D) No. 31 Washoe (part)	2180 Fourth Street Sparks, NV 89431 Skip.Daly@asm.state.nv.us	(775) 359-0731 (H) (775) 722-6534 (C)
Diaz, Olivia (D) No. 11 Clark (part)	P.O. Box 365072 North Las Vegas, NV 89036 Olivia.Diaz@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 501-8994 (H)

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Edwards, Chris (R) No. 19 Clark (part)	6088 Riflecrest Avenue Las Vegas, NV 89156 Chris.Edwards@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 715-4308 (C)	
Ellison, John C. (R) No. 33 Elko, Eureka, Lincoln (part), White Pine	P.O. Box 683 Elko, NV 89803 John.Ellison@asm.state.nv.us	(775) 738-6284 (H/O) (775) 934-6611 (C)	
Flores, Edgar R. (D) No. 28 Clark (part)	P.O. Box 42302 Las Vegas, NV 89116 Edgar.Flores@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 308-0483 (C)	
Frierson, Jason (D) No. 8 Clark (part)	7925 West Russell Road No. 400187 Las Vegas, NV 89140 Jason.Frierson@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 280-2981 (C)	
Fumo, Ozzie (D) No. 21 Clark (part)	601 Las Vegas Boulevard South Las Vegas, NV 89101 Ozzie.Fumo@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 683-4806 (H/C)	
Hambrick, John (R) No. 2 Clark (part)	1930 Village Center Circle, No. 3-419 Las Vegas, NV 89134 John.Hambrick@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 242-8580 (H) (702) 499-6169 (C) (702) 242-3406 (F)	
Hansen, Ira (R) No. 32 Esmeralda, Humboldt, Lander, Mineral, Nye (part), Pershing, Washoe (part)	68 Amigo Court Sparks, NV 89441 Ira.Hansen@asm.state.nv.us	(775) 221-2502 (C) (775) 322-8889 (F)	
Jauregui, Sandra (D) No. 41 Clark (part)	7582 Las Vegas Boulevard South No. 118 Las Vegas, NV 89123 Sandra.Jauregui@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 336-4348 (C)	
Joiner, Amber (D) No. 24 Washoe (part)	P.O. Box 9810 Reno, NV 89507 Amber.Joiner@asm.state.nv.us	(775) 338-6733 (C)	
Kramer, Al (R) No. 40 Carson City, Washoe (part)	401 South Carson Street Carson City, NV 89701 Al.Kramer@asm.state.nv.us	(775) 721-5865 (C)	
Krasner, Lisa (R) No. 26 Washoe (part)	59 Damonte Ranch Parkway No. B-460 Reno, NV 89521 Lisa.Krasner@asm.state.nv.us	(775) 420-8411 (C)	
Marchant, Jim (R) No. 37 Clark (part)	848 North Rainbow Boulevard No. 464 Las Vegas, NV 89107 Jim.Marchant@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 706-1815 (O) (702) 305-7475 (C)	
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McArthur, Richard (R) No. 4 Clark (part)	4640 Panoramic Court Las Vegas, NV 89129 Richard.McArthur@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 396-1065 (O) (702) 715-7181 (C)
McCurdy, William, II (D) No. 6 Clark (part)	1117 Hart Avenue Las Vegas, NV 89106 William.McCurdy@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 481-8139 (C)
Miller, Brittney (D) No. 5 Clark (part)	9030 West Sahara Avenue, No. 364 Las Vegas, NV 89117 Brittney.Miller@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 518-0599 (O)
Monroe-Moreno, Daniele (D) No. 1 Clark (part)	5575 Simmons Street, No. 154 North Las Vegas, NV 89031 Daniele.MonroeMoreno@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 816-7922 (C)
Neal, Dina (D) No. 7 Clark (part)	3217 Brautigan Court North Las Vegas, NV 89032 Dina.Neal@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 738-5870 (H) (702) 399-2114 (F)
Ohrenschall, James (D) No. 12 Clark (part)	P.O. Box 97741 Las Vegas, NV 89193 James.Ohrenschall@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 432-6999 (H) (702) 523-4766 (C)
Oscarson, James (R) No. 36 Clark (part), Lincoln (part), Nye (part)	P.O. Box 1600 Pahrump, NV 89048 James.Oscarson@asm.state.nv.us	(775) 513-7468 (C)
Pickard, Keith (R) No. 22 Clark (part)	10120 South Eastern Avenue No. 140 Henderson, NV 89052 Keith.Pickard@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 910-4300 (O) (702) 910-4303 (F)
Spiegel, Ellen B. (D) No. 20 Clark (part)	2764 North Green Valley Parkway No. 327 Henderson, NV 89014 Ellen.Spiegel@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 577-2167 (O)
Sprinkle, Michael C. (D) No. 30 Washoe (part)	P.O. Box 51202 Sparks, NV 89435 Mike.Sprinkle@asm.state.nv.us	(775) 742-5935 (H)
Swank, Heidi (D) No. 16 Clark (part)	546 Barbara Way Las Vegas, NV 89104 Heidi.Swank@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 371-6217 (H)
Thompson, Tyrone (D) No. 17 Clark (part)	117 Fox Crossing Avenue North Las Vegas, NV 89084 Tyrone.Thompson@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 561-7976 (C)
Titus, Robin L., M.D. (R) No. 38 Churchill, Lyon (part) *For maps of legislative districts, see A	P.O. Box 377 Wellington, NV 89444 Robin.Titus@asm.state.nv.us ppendix G of this manual.	(775) 465-2587 (H) (775) 465-2676 (F)
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Name, Party, District,* and County	Mailing and E-Mail Addresses	Telephone and/or Fax
Tolles, Jill (R) No. 25 Washoe (part)	4790 Caughlin Parkway, No. 180 Reno, NV 89519 Jill.Tolles@asm.state.nv.us	(775) 815-4237 (O/C)
Watkins, Justin (D) No. 35 Clark (part)	10789 West Twain Avenue No. 100 Las Vegas, NV 89135 Justin. Watkins@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 812-0826 (C)
Wheeler, Jim (R) No. 39 Douglas, Lyon (part), Storey	P.O. Box 2135 Minden, NV 89423 Jim.Wheeler@asm.state.nv.us	(775) 546-3471 (C)
Woodbury, Melissa (R) No. 23 Clark (part)	7322 South Rainbow Boulevard No. 51 Las Vegas, NV 89139 Melissa.Woodbury@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 721-0787 (O) (702) 240-2332 (F)
Yeager, Steve (D) No. 9 Clark (part)	10120 West Flamingo Road No. 4162 Las Vegas, NV 89147 Steve. Yeager@asm.state.nv.us	(702) 281-5938 (C)

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MEMBERS OF THE NEVADA LEGISLATURE BY DISTRICT 2017 SESSION

SENATE

District* and County	Name and Party
No. 1, Clark (part)	Spearman, Patricia (Pat) (D)
No. 2, Clark (part)	Denis, Moises (Mo) (D)**
No. 3, Clark (part)	Segerblom, Tick (D)
No. 4, Clark (part)	Atkinson, Kelvin D. (D)
No. 5, Clark (part)	Woodhouse, Joyce (D)
No. 6, Clark (part)	Cannizzaro, Nicole J. (D)
No. 7, Clark (part)	Parks, David R. (D)
No. 8, Clark (part)	Farley, Patricia (NP)**
No. 9, Clark (part)	Harris, Becky (R)**
No. 10, Clark (part)	Cancela, Yvanna D. (D)†**
No. 11, Clark (part)	Ford, Aaron D. (D)
No. 12, Clark (part)	Hardy, Joseph (Joe) P., M.D. (R)**
No. 13, Washoe (part)	Ratti, Julia (D)**
No. 14, Esmeralda, Humboldt, Lander, Mineral,	
Nye (part), Pershing, Washoe (part)	Gustavson, Donald G. (R)**
No. 15, Washoe (part)	Gansert, Heidi S. (R)
No. 16, Carson City, Washoe (part)	Kieckhefer, Ben (R)**
No. 17, Churchill, Douglas, Lyon, Storey	Settelmeyer, James A. (R)**
No. 18, Clark (part)	Hammond, Scott T. (R)
No. 19, Clark (part), Elko, Eureka, Lincoln,	
Nye (part), White Pine	Goicoechea, Pete (R)
No. 20, Clark (part)	Roberson, Michael (R)**
No. 21, Clark (part)	Manendo, Mark A. (D)**

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[†]Appointed on December 6, 2016, to replace Senator Ruben J. Kihuen, who was elected to Congressional District No. 4.

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District* and County	Name and Party
No. 1, Clark (part)	Monroe-Moreno Daniele (D)
No. 2, Clark (part)	
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No. 19, Clark (part)	
No. 20, Clark (part)	
No. 21, Clark (part)	
No. 22, Clark (part)	Pickard, Keith (R)
No. 23, Clark (part)	
No. 24, Washoe (part)	Joiner, Amber (D)
No. 25, Washoe (part)	
No. 26, Washoe (part)	
No. 27, Washoe (part)	Benitez-Thompson, Teresa (D)
No. 28, Clark (part)	Flores, Edgar R. (D)
No. 29, Clark (part)	Cohen, Lesley E. (D)
No. 30, Washoe (part)	Sprinkle, Michael C. (D)
No. 31, Washoe (part)	Daly, Richard (Skip) (D)
No. 32, Esmeralda, Humboldt, Lander, Mineral,	
Nye (part), Pershing, Washoe (part)	Hansen, Ira (R)
No. 33, Elko, Eureka, Lincoln (part), White Pine	Ellison, John C. (R)
No. 34, Clark (part)	
No. 35, Clark (part)	Watkins, Justin (D)
No. 36, Clark (part), Lincoln (part), Nye (part)	Oscarson, James (R)
No. 37, Clark (part)	Marchant, Jim (R)
No. 38, Churchill, Lyon (part)	
No. 39, Douglas, Lyon (part), Storey	Wheeler, Jim (R)
No. 40, Carson City, Washoe (part)	
No. 41, Clark (part)	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
No. 42, Clark (part)	Bustamante Adams, Irene (D)

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INTERIM COMMITTEES AND SUBCOMMITTEES 2015–2016

(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 IFC until the November 8, 2016, General Election: P. Anderson (Chair), Kieckhefer (Vice Chair), Armstrong, Benitez-Thompson, Bustamante Adams, Carlton, Dickman, Edwards, Goicoechea, Hambrick, Hickey* (resigned), Kirkpatrick** (resigned), Kirner, Lipparelli, Oscarson, Parks, Roberson, Smith*** (deceased), Sprinkle, Swank, Titus, Woodhouse.

- *Assemblyman Pat Hickey resigned from office on January 12, 2016.
- **Assemblywoman Marilyn Kirkpatrick resigned from office on August 19, 2015.
- ***Senator Debbie Smith died on February 21, 2016.

Legislative Commission (NRS 218E.150)

Roberson (Chair), Settelmeyer (Vice Chair), Araujo*, Atkinson, Benitez-Thompson, Bustamante Adams, Denis, Ford, Hambrick, Hansen, Kieckhefer, Stewart.

*Assemblywoman Marilyn Kirkpatrick resigned from office on August 19, 2015, and was replaced on the Legislative Commission by Assemblyman Nelson Araujo.

STATUTORY COMMITTEES

Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice (NRS 176.0123)

Justice James W. Hardesty, Nevada Supreme Court (Chair), Mark Jackson, Douglas County District Attorney (Vice Chair), E. Anderson, Ford, Hambrick, Lipparelli. Paola Armeni, Representative, State Bar of Nevada, Connie Bisbee, Chairman, Board of Parole Commissioners, Chuck Callaway, Police Director, Office of Intergovernmental Services, Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department, James Dzurenda, Director, Department of Corrections, Judge Kevin Higgins, Sparks Justice Court, Phil Kohn, Clark County Public Defender, Adam Paul Laxalt, Attorney General, Jorge Pierrott, Lieutenant, Parole and Probation, Eric Spratley, Lieutenant, Washoe County Sheriff's Office, Judge Lidia S. Stiglich, Second Judicial Court, Holly Welborn, Policy Director, ACLU of Nevada, Inmate Advocate.

Commission on Special License Plates (NRS 482.367004)

Wheeler (Chair), Hammond (Vice Chair), Carrillo, Dickman, Gustavson. Nonvoting Members: Troy Dillard, Director, Department of Motor Vehicles, Claudia Vecchio, Director, Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs, James Wright, Director, Department of Public Safety.

Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste (NRS 459.0085)

Goicoechea (Chair), Trowbridge (Vice Chair), Carrillo, Edwards, Gustavson, Hickey* (resigned), Oscarson, Parks, Roberson.

*Assemblyman Pat Hickey resigned from office on January 12, 2016.

Committee on Industrial Programs (NRS 209.4817)

Oscarson (Chair), Goicoechea (Vice Chair), Ohrenschall, Parks. Bruce Aguilera, Representing Business, James Dzurenda, Director, Department of Corrections, Jeffrey Haag, Administrator, Purchasing Division, Department of Administration, Todd Leany, Representing Manufacturing, Mike Magnani, Representing Organized Labor, Allen J. Puliz, Representing Manufacturing, Randy Soltero, Representing Organized Labor.

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

Kieckhefer (Chair), P. Anderson (Vice Chair), Armstrong, Bustamante Adams, Hambrick, Hardy, Manendo, Swank.

Nevada Legislature's Interim Retirement and Benefits Committee (NRS 218E.420)

Kieckhefer (Chair), P. Anderson (Vice Chair), Carlton, Goicoechea, Kirner, Woodhouse.

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

Kieckhefer (Chair), Carlton (Vice Chair), Atkinson, Dickman, Parks. Alternates: Benitez-Thompson, Goicoechea, Hambrick, Hansen, Sprinkle.

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

Settelmeyer (Chair), Bustamante Adams, Ford, Goicoechea, Kirkpatrick* (resigned), Nelson** (resigned), Silberkraus, Thompson.

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

Kieckhefer (Chair), Wheeler (Vice Chair), Parks, Settelmeyer, Sprinkle, Titus.

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

Hammond (Chair), Hambrick (Vice Chair), Harris, O'Neill, Ohrenschall, Woodhouse.

Legislative Committee on Education (NRS 218E.605)

Woodbury (Chair), Harris (Vice Chair), Araujo, Hammond, Hickey* (resigned), Kirner, Roberson, Stewart, Woodhouse.

Legislative Committee on Energy (NRS 218E.805)

Silberkraus* (Chair), Settelmeyer (Vice Chair), Atkinson, Diaz, Kirner, Roberson.

*Chair Erven T. Nelson resigned from office on February 10, 2016, and was replaced on the Legislative Committee on Energy by Assemblyman Stephen H. Silberkraus.

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

Oscarson (Chair), Hardy (Vice Chair), Benitez-Thompson, Gardner, Kieckhefer, Spearman.

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

Gustavson (Chair), Hansen (Vice Chair), Ellison, Goicoechea, Kieckhefer, Parks, Swank, Titus. Ron Cerri, Humboldt County Commissioner. Alternates: Atkinson, Carlton, Settelmeyer, Wheeler.

Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults With Special Needs (NRS 218E.750) Hardy (Chair), O'Neill (Vice Chair), Manendo, Spearman, Spiegel, Stewart.

Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission (NRS 232B.210)

Settelmeyer (Chair), Trowbridge (Vice Chair), Bustamante Adams, Edwards, Gustavson, Nelson* (resigned), Parks. Nonvoting Members: Carmen Amen, William (Buzz) Harris, Teresa Rankin.

^{*}Assemblywoman Marilyn Kirkpatrick resigned from office on August 19, 2015.

^{**}Assemblyman Erven T. Nelson resigned from office on February 10, 2016.

^{*}Assemblyman Pat Hickey resigned from office on January 12, 2016.

^{*}Assemblyman Erven T. Nelson resigned from office on February 10, 2016, and was replaced on the Sunset Subcommittee by Assemblyman Chris Edwards.

INTERIM STUDIES

Advisory Committee to Develop a Plan to Reorganize the Clark County School District (A.B. 394, Section 25, Chapter 543, *Statutes of Nevada 2015*)

Roberson (Chair), Diaz (Vice Chair), P. Anderson, Denis, Ford, Hardy, Harris, Neal, Woodbury.

Subcommittee to Conduct a Study of Postacute Care in Nevada (A.B. 242, Chapter 306, Statutes of Nevada 2015)

Titus (Chair), Hardy (Vice Chair), Benitez-Thompson, Woodhouse.

Technical Advisory Committee to Develop a Plan to Reorganize the Clark County School District (A.B. 394, Section 26, Chapter 543, Statutes of Nevada 2015)

Harris (Chair), Gardner, Roberson. Additional nonlegislative members. (Note: Please see the Advisory Committee's website for additional information.)

NONLEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES

Advisory Board on Maternal and Child Health (NRS 442.133)

Farley, Spiegel. Additional nonlegislative members.

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

Gustavson, Kirner. Additional nonlegislative members.

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

Harris, Edwards. Additional nonlegislative members.

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

Lipparelli, O'Neill. Additional nonlegislative members.

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

Goicoechea, O'Neill. Additional nonlegislative members.

Advisory Council on Mortgage Investments and Mortgage Lending (NRS 645B.019)

Janis Grady, Winston McGregor, Kyle Nagy, Darren K. Proulx, Alicia Taylor.

Advisory Council on Parental Involvement and Family Engagement (NRS 385.610)

Farley, Hambrick. Additional nonlegislative members.

Advisory Council on the State Program for Wellness and the Prevention of Chronic Disease (NRS 439.518)

Hardy, Joiner. Additional nonlegislative members.

Advisory Task Force on Educator Professional Development (S.B. 474, Section 3.5, Chapter 535, Statutes of Nevada 2015)

Hammond, Gardner, Joiner, Woodhouse.

Board of Directors for Corporation for Public Benefit for Nevada Youth Legislature (NRS 219A.300)

Former Senator Valerie Wiener (Chair), Stewart (Vice Chair), Harris, Joiner,. Alex Bybee, Victoria Carreón, Zhan Okuda-Lim.

Board of Directors of the Silver State Health Insurance Exchange (NRS 6951.300)

Lynn Etkins, Speaker of the Assembly Appointment; Angie Wilson, Senate Majority Leader Appointment; Governor Appointments: Leslie Ann Johnstone, Marie Kerr, Ronald Kline, M.D., Elsie LaVonne Lewis, Barbara Smith Campbell.

Board of Economic Development (NRS 231.033)

Weldon E. (Don) Havins, Speaker of the Assembly Appointment; Benny Yerushalmi, Senate Majority Leader Appointment; Sam Routson, Assembly Minority Leader Appointment; Governor Appointments: Kathleen Drakulich, Rob Roy, William Weidner.

Commission on Educational Technology (NRS 388.790)

Hammond, P. Anderson. Mike Amie, Senate Majority Leader Appointment; Jhone Ebert, Speaker of the Assembly Appointment. Additional nonlegislative members. (Note: Please see the Commission's website for additional information.)

Commission on Ethics (NRS 281A.200)

John Carpenter*, Barbara Gruenewald, James M. Shaw, Dan Stewart. Additional nonlegislative members. (Note: Please see the Commission's website for additional information.)

Commission on Nuclear Projects (NRS 459.0091)

Marie Boutte, Ph.D., Paul Workman. Additional nonlegislative members. (Note: Please see the Commission's website for additional information.)

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

Harris, Senate Majority Leader Appointment; Hickey*, Speaker of the Assembly Appointment. Steve Laden. Additional nonlegislative members. (Note: Please see the Council's website for additional information.)

Economic Forum (NRS 353.226)

Ken Wiles (Chair), Governor Appointment; Matthew Maddox (Vice Chair), Governor Appointment; Marvin Leavitt, Speaker of the Assembly Appointment; Jennifer Lewis, Senate Majority Leader Appointment; Linda Rosenthal, Governor Appointment.

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

Ford, Harris, Hickey* (resigned), Kirner, Nelson** (resigned), Titus. Additional nonlegislative members. (Note: Please see the Commission's website for additional information.)

Gaming Policy Committee (NRS 463.021)

Brower* (resigned), Lipparelli, Hansen. Additional nonlegislative members. (Note: Please see the Committee's website for additional information.)

Governor's Workforce Development Board (Public Law 113-128)

Roberson, Silberkraus. Additional nonlegislative members. (Note: Please see the Board's website for additional information.)

Information Technology Advisory Board (NRS 242.122)

P. Anderson, Lipparelli. Craig Betts, Chief Information Officer, Washoe County; Patrick Cates, Director, Nevada's Department of Administration; Paul Diflo, Director of IT, Employers Insurance; Catherine Krause, IT Chief, Office of the Attorney General; Rudy Malfabon, Director, Nevada's Department of Transportation; Joseph Marcella, Chief Information Officer (Ret.), City of Las Vegas; Sherri McGee, Chief Technology Officer, Douglas County; Richard Whitley, Director, Nevada's Department of Health and Human Services. (Note: Please see the Advisory Board's website for additional information.)

^{*}Former Assemblyman John Carpenter died on November 19, 2016.

^{*}Assemblyman Pat Hickey resigned from office on January 12, 2016.

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^{**}Assemblyman Erven T. Nelson resigned from office on February 10, 2016.

^{*}Senator Greg Brower resigned from office on February 20, 2016, and was replaced on the Gaming Policy Committee by Senator Mark A. Lipparelli.

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

Ford, Ohrenschall. Additional nonlegislative members. (Note: Please see the National Conference's website for additional information.)

Nevada Advisory Council on Federal Assistance (S.B. 214, Chapter 491, *Statutes of Nevada 2015*) Armstrong, Goicoechea.

Nevada AIDS Advisory Task Force

Farley, Thompson. Additional nonlegislative members.

Nevada Commission for the Reconstruction of the V & T Railway (A.B. 696, Chapter 566, Statutes of Nevada 1993)

Dwight Millard (Chair), Delsye Mills, John Tyson. Additional nonlegislative members. (Note: Please see the Commission's website for additional information.)

Nevada Commission on Aging (NRS 427A.032)

Trowbridge, Woodhouse. Additional nonlegislative members. (Note: Please see the Commission's website for additional information.)

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

Armstrong, Roberson. Additional nonlegislative members. (Note: Please see the Commission's website for additional information.)

Nevada Commission on Minority Affairs (NRS 232.852)

Jane Lee (Chair), Berna L. Rhodes-Ford, Esq. (Vice Chair), Amarpreet Chadha, Cedric Cole, Kari Emm, Yolanda Flores, M.D., Semilla Neal, Anna Siefert. (Note: Please see the Commission's website for additional information.)

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

John C. Yacenda, Ph.D., M.P.H., P.A.H.M., Forum President; Winston J. Lawson, Senatorial District 1; Rick Kuhlmey, Senatorial District 2; Clo Banks, Senatorial District 3; Verlia Davis Hoggard, Senatorial District 4; Vicki L. Cameron, Senatorial District 5; Betty Rumford, Senatorial District 6; Joann M. Bongiorno, Senatorial District 7; Evelyn A. Cannestra, M.S.W., Senatorial District 8; Barbara Altman, Senatorial District 9; Harriet Trudell, Senatorial District 10; (Vacant), Senatorial District 11; Clare Tobler, Senatorial District 12; (Vacant), Senatorial District 13; John Paul (Jack) Ginter Jr., Senatorial District 14; Reba June Burton, Senatorial District 15; John A. Yacenda, Ph.D., M.P.H., P.A.H.M., Senatorial District 16; Carol A. Swanson, D.N.P., M.S.N., R.N., Senatorial District 17; Patsy Metler, Senatorial District 18; (Vacant), Senatorial District 19; James Downer, R.T.R.P., Senatorial District 20; Fran Almaraz, Senatorial District 21; Herbert E. Randall, Ed.D., Silver Senator, Ex Officio Member, National Silver Haired Congress; Lonnie Strait, Silver Senator, Ex Officio Member, National Silver Haired Congress; Rusy D. Roberts, Silver Representative, Ex Officio Member, National Silver Haired Congress; Rusy Schoenbeck, Silver Representative, Ex Officio Member, National Silver Haired Congress; Rusy Schoenbeck, Silver Representative, Ex Officio Member, National Silver Haired Congress.

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

Hambrick, Parks. Additional nonlegislative members.

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

Farley, Hambrick. Additional nonlegislative members.

Nevada Veterans' Services Commission (NRS 417.150)

Edwards, Goicoechea. Additional nonlegislative members. (Note: Please see the Commission's website for additional information.)

Nevada Youth Legislature (NRS 219A.130)

Zachary Bell-Nance, Senatorial District 1; Savanna Strott, Senatorial District 2; Joshua Alexander, Senatorial District 3; Da'Vione Lomax, Senatorial District 4; Brooklyn Darmody, Senatorial District 5; Nadia-Christiane Ozone, Senatorial District 6; Francesca Bergeret-Simpson, Senatorial District 7; Hadley Mitchell, Senatorial District 8; Caroline Graham, Senatorial District 9; Skyler Bradley, Senatorial District 10; Samantha Ostrovsky, Senatorial District 11; Kenadee Bailey, Senatorial District 12; Pranit Nanda, Senatorial District 13; Emily Espinosa, Senatorial District 14; Katie Hardung, Senatorial District 15; Spencer Lang, Senatorial District 16; Scott Harrison, Senatorial District 17; Tricia Pomeroy, Senatorial District 18; Josie Merritt, Senatorial District 19; Olivia Yamamoto, Senatorial District 20; Megan Adamson, Senatorial District 21.

P-20 W Advisory Council (NRS 400.030)

Harris, Senate Majority Leader Appointment; Swank, Speaker of the Assembly Appointment. Jacqueline Brown, Senate Minority Leader Appointment; Marilyn Dondero Loop, Assembly Minority Leader Appointment; Kim Metcalf, Ph.D., Senate Majority Leader Recommendation; (Vacant), Speaker of the Assembly Appointment. (Note: Please see the Council's website for additional information.)

Safe-to-Tell Program Advisory Committee (S.B. 338, Section 4, Chapter 503, Statutes of Nevada 2015) Farley, Silberkraus, Spiegel. Additional nonlegislative members. (Note: Please see the Committee's website for additional information.)

State Council for the Coordination of the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children (NRS 388F.020)

Kirner. Additional nonlegislative members.

State Public Charter School Authority (NRS 388A.150)

Adam Johnson, Charter School Association of Nevada Appointment (Chair); Melissa Mackedon, Speaker of the Assembly Appointment (Vice Chair); Marc Abelman, Speaker of the Assembly Appointment; Kathleen Conaboy, Governor Appointment; Nora Luna, Senate Majority Leader Appointment; Robert McCord, Ed.D., Senate Majority Leader Appointment; Elissa Wahl, Governor Appointment. (Note: Please see the Authority's website for additional information.)

Statewide Council for the Coordination of the Regional Training Programs (NRS 391A.130)

Jane Bantz, Senate Majority Leader Appointment; Lou DeSalvio, Speaker of the Assembly Appointment. Additional nonlegislative members.

Task Force on Alzheimer's Disease (NRS 439.5083)

Hardy, Oscarson. Additional nonlegislative members. (Note: Please see the Task Force's website for additional information.)

Technological Crime Advisory Board (NRS 205A.040)

Flores, Lipparelli. Additional nonlegislative members. (Note: Please see the Board's website for additional information.)

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEES AND LEADERSHIP

Seventy-Ninth Session, 2017

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-

Atkinson, Spearman, Cancela, Cannizzaro, Gansert, Hardy, Settelmeyer

EDUCATION-

Denis, Woodhouse, Segerblom, Spearman, Gustavson, Hammond, Harris

FINANCE-

Woodhouse, Parks, Denis, Ford, Goicoechea, Harris, Kieckhefer

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS-

Parks, Manendo, Ratti, Goicoechea, Hardy

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES-

Spearman, Ratti, Woodhouse, Hammond, Hardy

JUDICIARY-

Segerblom, Cannizzaro, Denis, Ford, Gustavson, Harris, Roberson

LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS—

Cannizzaro, Segerblom, Atkinson, Gansert, Settelmeyer

NATURAL RESOURCES-

Cancela, Manendo, Ratti, Goicoechea, Settelmeyer

REVENUE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT—

Ratti, Ford, Parks, Gansert, Kieckhefer, Roberson, Farley

TRANSPORTATION-

Manendo, Atkinson, Gustavson, Hammond, Farley

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE—

Moises (Mo) Denis

MAJORITY LEADER-

Aaron D. Ford

ASSISTANT MAJORITY LEADER—

Kelvin D. Atkinson

CO-MAJORITY WHIPS-

Patricia (Pat) Spearman

Joyce Woodhouse

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEES AND LEADERSHIP (continued)

MINORITY LEADER— Michael Roberson

ASSISTANT MINORITY LEADER— Ben Kieckhefer

CO-MINORITY WHIPS— Scott T. Hammond James A. Settelmeyer

CO-CAUCUS POLICY COORDINATORS— Heidi S. Gansert Becky Harris

ASSEMBLY STANDING COMMITTEES AND LEADERSHIP

Seventy-Ninth Session, 2017

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COMMERCE AND LABOR-

Bustamante Adams, Carlton, Araujo, Brooks, Daly, Frierson, Jauregui, Neal, Ohrenschall, P. Anderson, Hansen, Kramer, Marchant, Tolles

CORRECTIONS, PAROLE, AND PROBATION—

Ohrenschall, Yeager, E. Anderson, Cohen, Fumo, Jauregui, Miller, Thompson, Watkins, Hansen, Krasner, Pickard, Tolles, Wheeler

EDUCATION-

Thompson, Joiner, E. Anderson, Diaz, Flores, Fumo, McCurdy, Miller, Swank, Edwards, Krasner, Pickard, Tolles, Woodbury

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS-

Flores, Neal, Bilbray-Axelrod, Brooks, Carrillo, Daly, Joiner, McCurdy, Monroe-Moreno, Ellison, Kramer, Marchant, McArthur, Woodbury

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES-

Sprinkle, Joiner, Benitez-Thompson, Carrillo, McCurdy, Miller, Thompson, Yeager, Edwards, Hambrick, Oscarson, Titus

JUDICIARY—

Yeager, Ohrenschall, E. Anderson, Cohen, Fumo, Jauregui, Miller, Thompson, Watkins, Hansen, Krasner, Pickard, Tolles, Wheeler

LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS—

Diaz, Araujo, E. Anderson, Bilbray-Axelrod, Daly, Monroe-Moreno, Ohrenschall, Hambrick, Hansen, McArthur, Oscarson

NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND MINING-

Swank, Cohen, Brooks, Carlton, Jauregui, Watkins, Yeager, Ellison, Krasner, Titus, Wheeler

TAXATION—

Neal, Bustamante Adams, Benitez-Thompson, Cohen, Flores, Frierson, Spiegel, P. Anderson, Kramer, Marchant, Pickard

TRANSPORTATION—

Carrillo, Spiegel, Bilbray-Axelrod, Fumo, Monroe-Moreno, Sprinkle, Watkins, Ellison, McArthur, Wheeler, Woodbury

WAYS AND MEANS—

Carlton, Frierson, Araujo, Benitez-Thompson, Bustamante Adams, Diaz, Spiegel, Sprinkle, Swank, P. Anderson, Edwards, Hambrick, Oscarson, Titus

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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.²

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.³

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.⁴ 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, which may be established by law.⁷ 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.⁸

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*.⁹

2011 Reapportionment and Redistricting

The Bureau of the Census of the United States Department of Commerce was 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 was 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.

Due to an impasse that arose when Governor Brian Sandoval vetoed the redistricting measures approved by the Nevada Legislature, the Legislature was unable to complete the legislative and congressional redistricting process during the 120-day regular session. Two redistricting measures, Senate Bill 497 and Assembly Bill 566, were approved by the Legislature, generally on party-line votes, on May 10 and May 25, 2011, respectively. However, both bills were vetoed by the Governor and returned to the Legislature. No attempts were made to override or sustain those vetoes during the regular session. When the Governor indicated that he would not call the Legislature into *special session* for redistricting, the task fell to the courts. Following a number of hearings, judicial briefs, motions, and pleas, District Court Judge James T. Russell, in First Judicial District Case No. 11 OC 00042 1B, Guy et al. v. Miller, appointed three Special Masters to accomplish redistricting. As directed by the court, the Special Masters held public hearings in Las Vegas and Carson City on October 10 and 11, 2011, respectively. Their report and completed maps were submitted to the District Judge on October 14, 2011. Following certain changes requested by the court, an order adopting and approving the Special Masters' report and redistricting maps as modified by the court was filed on October 27, 2011. An addendum to the October 27 order was filed on December 8, 2011, to facilitate the transitional period from the court's original order until the terms of the congressional representatives and state lawmakers began. The redistricting plans were attached to and incorporated by reference in the court orders.

The court-approved maps include four congressional districts (an increase of one), while the size of the Nevada Legislature is retained at 63–21 members in the Senate and 42 members in the Assembly. For the first time in Nevada's redistricting history, all districts in both houses are single-member, and two Assembly districts are perfectly nested within each Senate district. Maps A through F in Appendix G describe the boundaries of Nevada legislative districts as developed by the Special Masters in 2011. 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/Division/Research/Districts/Reapp/2011/FinalPlans.cfm and through the Bureau's Publications/Gift Shop Unit.

The average population of the Assembly districts is 64,299 people (based on the 2010 U.S. Census). The Senate districts have an average population of 128,598 citizens. The average legislative district in Nevada has increased by 35 percent in population over the past decade. The State's population was about 1.2 million in 1990, reached nearly 2 million in 2000, and was just over 2.7 million in 2010. There are now 15 Senate districts wholly within Clark County; 4 districts in the Washoe County/Carson City area, 1 of which includes 5 counties in western Nevada; and 2 rural districts. One rural district consists of Churchill, Douglas, Lyon, and Storey Counties. The other one consists of Elko, Eureka, Lincoln, White Pine, and parts of Nye and northern Clark Counties. The 42 Assembly districts include 30 districts wholly within Clark County, 8 districts in the Washoe County/Carson City/western Nevada area, and 4 Assembly districts within the 2 rural Senate districts.

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, ¹² but members typically are not 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.¹³ 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, [may] expel a member."¹⁴ 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.¹⁵ 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.¹⁶ 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.¹⁷

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.¹⁸

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.¹⁹

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 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 of the Senate; 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.²⁰

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 the *histories* of their respective houses, and advise the *presiding officer* and members of each house on matters of parliamentary procedure and the house and joint rules.

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 the 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.²¹ 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. 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. 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.²² 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.²³ 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.²⁴ 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.²⁵ Although lobbying activities are customarily prohibited on the *floor* of both chambers,²⁶ 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.²⁷ Generally, the Legislature is empowered to enact the laws of the State; 28 levy taxes on individuals, businesses, property, and sales; 29 appropriate the funds collected for the support of public institutions and the administration of State government;³⁰ propose amendments to the constitutions of the U.S. and Nevada;³¹ and consider legislation proposed by initiative petitions.³² In addition, the Legislature is directed to establish a State university, 33 a public school system; 34 and a statewide, uniform system of county and township government.³⁵ The Legislature also has the power to create, revise, or abolish certain county positions; 36 determine the compensation of legislative officers and employees, ³⁷ certain State officials, ³⁸ Supreme Court justices and District Court judges, 39 and specified county officers; 40 decide the winner of a tied election for a district or State office or the office of U.S. Senator or Representative,⁴¹ impeach and try the Governor, other State officials, or any judge, except a justice of the peace; 42 and pardon, reprieve, or compel the enforcement of a sentence for the conviction for treason.⁴³ The Legislature also provides oversight of the Executive and Judicial Departments of government through the *budget*⁴⁴ and audit⁴⁵ processes and reviews the regulations developed by State agencies.⁴⁶

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.⁴⁷ At other times, the Governor may, for a specific purpose, call the Legislature into special session,⁴⁸ or the Legislature may, upon a petition signed by a *two-thirds majority* of the members elected to each house of the Legislature, convene a special session for a specific purpose without action by the Governor.⁴⁹

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 two or more *standing committees*. As committee members, legislators listen to and question witnesses about the provisions of a measure, ⁵⁰ participate in subcommittees created to focus on a specific bill or issue, ⁵¹ 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*. ⁵² Typically, such a committee is formed only occasionally 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.⁵³ Legislators may be assigned to a *joint committee* of the two houses.⁵⁴

Legislators also are required to attend the meetings of their respective houses, ⁵⁵ 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.⁵⁶ Temporary committees usually originate in concurrent resolutions⁵⁷ 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.⁵⁸ An administrative body may not serve subpoenas to compel legislators or the Lieutenant Governor to give testimony or

produce relevant material to the body during legislative sessions.⁵⁹ The statutes also protect legislators by prohibiting employment contracts that work a loss of seniority of any person absent from regular duties or place of employment while attending a legislative session.⁶⁰ In addition, legislative service cannot be considered as a break in service by an administrator of a private pension plan.⁶¹

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.⁶²

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.⁶³

In addition, the State's constitution prohibits the Legislature from levying a personal income tax or authorizing a state-operated lottery in Nevada.⁶⁴ 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. The *Nevada Constitution* also sets a state debt limitation of 2 percent, exclusive of interest, of the assessed valuation of the State and prohibits State assumption of the debts of any county, town, city, or other corporation, unless such debts have been incurred to repel invasion, suppress insurrection, or provide for the public defense.

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. ⁷⁰ 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 one dollar of assessed valuation. Consistent with this constitutional limitation, NRS 361.453 currently further limits the total ad valorem tax levy to not more than \$3.64 on each \$100 of assessed valuation with certain exceptions. 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.⁷¹

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. Disrupting 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. 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.

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

A legislator shall not 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 house, if the contract or order is paid for in whole or in part by money appropriated by the Legislature of which that Legislator is a member. The Further, a legislator shall not be interested, directly or indirectly, as a principal, in any such contract. The Finally, a legislator shall not be interested in any contract made by the Legislature of which that Legislator is a member, or to be a purchaser or interested in any purchase or sale made by the Legislature of which that Legislator is a member.

Despite the general prohibitions stated above, Nevada law provides that a legislator 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 legislator has not taken part in developing the contract or sale 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 State or local agency and any business entity in which the public officer or employee has a significant pecuniary interest.⁷⁹

In addition, any legislator 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 legislator 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.⁸⁰ The statute provides that a legislator who violates the provisions concerning prohibited interests in a contract is guilty of a gross misdemeanor and forfeits his or her office.⁸¹

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 house of which the legislator is a member or any committee of the Legislature 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.⁸⁴

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 legitimate 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. *Nevada Revised Statutes* also provides certain requirements and limitations on conduct of a legislator.

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 or others 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.⁸⁵

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 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.⁸⁶ 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.⁸⁷

Reporting of Contributions and Campaign Expenses

Every legislator is required to submit to the Secretary of State reports of contributions and campaign expenses. For specific information about the requirements and deadlines for these reports, please contact the Elections Division of the Office of Secretary of State at (775) 684-5705 or refer to the Campaign Guide which is published by the Secretary of State and can be found at the Secretary of State's website: http://nvsos.gov/.

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 statements of financial disclosure 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.⁸⁸ The Secretary of State is required to retain the statements for six years.⁸⁹

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) located in Nevada or an adjacent state;
- 4. Specified creditors to whom the candidate or members of the candidate's household owe \$5,000 or more;
- 5. Attendance at educational or informational meetings, events, or trips;
- 6. Certain gifts received by the candidate with a value of \$200 or more; and
- 7. 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.⁹⁰

A legislator who fails to file a statement of financial disclosure in a timely manner is subject to a civil penalty and payment of court costs and attorney's fees.⁹¹

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.⁹³

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 \$142. 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.

For travel to and from Carson City for the legislative session, for a presession orientation conference, or a training session 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 2017 rate for the Carson City area is \$645 per month.⁹⁵

In addition to these amounts, each legislator is entitled to a communications allowance of \$2,800 and a postage allowance of \$60.96 Legislators who are chairs of standing committees or hold leadership positions are entitled to an additional \$900 allowance.97 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.98 The *Speaker of the Assembly* and the Lieutenant Governor (*President of the Senate*) receive an additional \$2 per day during the time of their actual attendance as presiding officers.99

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, training session, meeting, seminar, or other gathering at which the legislator officially represents the State of Nevada or its Legislature. This applies to In-State Travel only. The salary varies depending on the activity, but does not exceed the amount provided by law.¹⁰⁰

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 for membership prior to July 1, 2015, is ten years of accredited service at the age of 60 years. The requirement for membership after July 1, 2015, is ten years of 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.¹⁰¹

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ASSEMBLY STANDING COMMITTEES AND LEADERSHIP (continued)

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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. At other times, the Governor may, for a specific purpose, call the Legislature into special session, or the Legislature may, upon a petition signed by two-thirds of the members elected to each house of the Legislature, convene a special session for a specific purpose without action by the Governor.

Sessions are limited to 120 *calendar days* following the approval by voters of a constitutional amendment in 1998.³ 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 or decrease 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.⁴ Reimbursement for certain expenses of members, however, may continue for the entire length of a session.

Special sessions of the Legislature may be convened on the call of the Governor or by petition of the Legislature.⁵ 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. If the Legislature were to convene itself in special session, the purpose of the session would be included in the petition. The Legislature may not enact any bills pertaining to subjects other than those for which it was convened. 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 thirtieth in State history, was conducted in October 2016. The Legislature was granted the authority to call itself into a special session by the voters at the 2012 General Election. It has not yet exercised this ability.

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.⁶ 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 (LCB) 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.⁷ 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.⁸

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 and cannot vote on any question or legislative measure, except to break a tie vote.¹⁰

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.¹¹

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.¹² Under the *Nevada Constitution*, the President Pro Tempore is the second in line of succession to the governorship, immediately after the Lieutenant Governor.¹³

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.¹⁴

The Secretary of the Senate is elected by the members of the Senate to serve as administrative officer and parliamentarian. Responsible to the *Majority 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 hires Senate employees and supervises a cadre of administrative professionals. 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.¹⁵

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 Leader. The Sergeant at Arms is also responsible to maintain the Senate's chamber, private caucus room, kitchen, and meeting rooms for committees. The Deputy Sergeant at Arms and the Assistant Sergeants at Arms act as the Senate doorkeepers, preserve order in the Senate chamber, and provide other assistance to the Sergeant at Arms. The Deputy Sergeant at Arms.

In addition to these major Senate officers, there are a number of employees hired to perform miscellaneous functions. Legislative assistants, clerks, and other staff are appointed to their positions by the Secretary of the Senate via a one-house resolution. In the Assembly, these are referred to as *attachés*; in the Senate, *session staff*. The number of officers and employees of the Senate and the Assembly is determined each session by each respective house.¹⁸

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 2015 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 or adopted 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. 19 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.21

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.²²

The Chief Clerk is elected by the members of the Assembly to serve as administrative officer and parliamentarian. The Clerk also serves as an *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. The Chief Clerk also transmits to the Senate measures passed or adopted by the Assembly that next require Senate action.

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, taking into custody any person who interferes with the legislative process, 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 rooms, and kitchen.²³ The Assistant Sergeants at Arms act as the Assembly doorkeepers, preserve order in and around the Assembly chamber, and provide other assistance to the Sergeant at Arms.²⁴

The law permits the Senate and Assembly to invite ministers of the different religious denominations to officiate alternately as chaplains of the respective houses.²⁵ By custom, the chaplains are usually selected from the local clergy association. Occasionally, however, ministers from other locations, legislative 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 majority membership leadership positions to manage the legislative workload. In the Senate, the Majority and *Minority Leaders* of their respective parties are selected during party caucus. In the Assembly, the Minority Floor Leader is selected during the party's caucus. 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. House leaders are not legal officers of the houses, since their offices do not exist under provisions of law. ²⁶ In Nevada, the Senate Majority 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 and chief legislative 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 work within the party "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 organization of the next succeeding regular session.²⁷

Procedure and Order of Business in the Senate and Assembly

The Senate and the Assembly function in accordance with constitutional provisions and judicial decisions thereon; adopted standing rules; custom, usage, and precedents; *Nevada Revised Statutes*; *Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure*; and parliamentary law.

The Senate 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.²⁸

Under the Standing Rules of the Senate, precedence of authority is outlined within *Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure*, Sec. 4.2. The precedence of parliamentary authority for the Assembly is outlined in its standing rules.

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.²⁹ The Assembly meets daily at 11:30 a.m., unless it has previously adjourned to some other hour.³⁰

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.³¹

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 2015 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.
- 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 10 minutes.³²

On the Assembly side, the 2015 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. Vetoed Bills and Special Orders of the Day.
- 15. Remarks from the Floor, limited to 10 minutes.³³

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 2015 Regular Session of the Nevada Legislature considered 1,013 bills—498 bills from the Assembly and 515 bills from the Senate. Additionally, two initiative petitions were considered. The Senate and Assembly combined also considered over 70 resolutions. Of the 1,013 bills and the 2 initiative petitions that were considered during the 2015 Session, 556 bills were approved. The Governor vetoed 7 bills after the 2015 Session ended; these bills will be returned to the houses in which they originated for possible reconsideration when the 2017 Legislature convenes. The Governor signed all remaining bills; therefore, 549 bills became law. ³⁴ During the 29th Special Session, four bills were introduced and enacted into State law. ³⁵ During the 30th Special Session, two bills were introduced and enacted into State law. ³⁶

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 a certified copy of the Abstract of Votes along with any certificate of appointment issued by a county

commission to fill a vacant seat and recommends the seating of legislators. 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. Once the entire membership of the body elects a Speaker, the Secretary of State turns the chair over to the new Speaker, who proceeds to conduct elections for Speaker Pro Tempore and Chief Clerk of the Assembly.³⁷ After the Assembly is organized, 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 unnecessary 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.³⁸ Under the plan, if vacancies occur in more than 15 percent of the seats in either house of the Legislature (three in the Senate or six in the Assembly) 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 proposed legislative measure 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.³⁹ 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 the contents of a proposed legislative measure 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 legislative measure must be checked; and *Nevada Revised 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.⁴⁰

In addition, the bill drafter must check the legislative 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.⁴¹

The Legislative Counsel, insofar as it is possible, processes legislators' *bill draft requests* (BDRs) 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 legislative measures for legislators, the Legislative Counsel also prepares legislative measures for the Executive Department when authorized by the Governor or a designated representative.⁴² The Legislative Counsel also prepares legislative measures requested by the Supreme Court.⁴³ Authorization for the drafting of legislative measures on behalf of State constitutional officers, local governments, school districts, and other groups are also specified in statute.⁴⁴ Appendices A and B provide a general overview of the statutory limitations and deadlines for BDRs.

After November 1 of the year preceding a regular session, full priority is given to legislators' 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.⁴⁵ 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 requests received for the preparation of legislative measures to be submitted to the Legislature.⁴⁶ The BDR list is available to the public in booklet form and on the Nevada Legislature's website at: 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, 218D.580, and 218D.585. Current law provides that all requests for measures submitted by certain nonlegislative entities (including local governments, the Executive Department, and the Supreme Court) must be prefiled by the third Wednesday of November preceding a legislative session or they will be deemed withdrawn.⁴⁷

Fiscal Notes

A *fiscal note* is a document that details the fiscal effect of certain bills and resolutions and is attached to or becomes a part of the bill or resolution. An example of a fiscal note may be found in Appendix D. The statutory provisions regarding fiscal notes for bills and joint resolutions 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:

- It creates or increases a fiscal liability or decreases revenue for the State government by more than \$2,000;
- It increases or provides for a new term of imprisonment in the State prison or makes release on parole or probation from the State prison less likely; or
- It creates or increases a fiscal liability or decreases revenue for any local government or school district. (A fiscal note is not required if the only impact on a local government is that a bill or joint resolution increases or newly provides for a term of imprisonment in a county or city jail or detention facility, or makes release on probation therefrom less likely.)⁴⁸

Information regarding the necessity of a fiscal note can be found in the *summary* of the bill or joint resolution.⁴⁹ All bills or joint resolutions which propose ballot questions have fiscal notes.

When a bill or resolution is drafted, the Legislative Counsel consults with the Fiscal Analysis Division 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 obtain fiscal notes from the affected State or local government entities. If the legislator does not give permission, requests for fiscal notes are made automatically upon *introduction* of the bill. Although a bill or joint resolution can be introduced without a fiscal note, the fiscal note shall be obtained by the Fiscal Analysis Division before a vote is taken on such a bill or joint resolution by a committee of the Senate or the Assembly.⁵⁰

A fiscal note is required only on the original bill or joint resolution, but is not required on amendments. If an amendment by either house invalidates the original fiscal note, the presiding officer (the Senate Majority Leader or the Speaker of the Assembly) may direct the Fiscal Analysis Division to obtain a new fiscal note showing the effect of the *amended* bill or joint resolution.⁵¹ 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 shall request the Fiscal Analysis Division to obtain a fiscal note if the presiding officer determines that the bill or joint resolution requires a fiscal note.⁵²

A bill or joint resolution that is sent to a State or local government entity for a fiscal note may be used by that entity for official purposes only, and may not be copied or otherwise disseminated by that entity until the bill or joint resolution has been made public, or with permission of the party who has requested the bill or joint resolution.⁵³ The Fiscal Analysis Division does not release the name of the party requesting the bill to the entity requested to complete the fiscal note. State agencies have five working days from the date of request to provide a response of the fiscal impact, 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.⁵⁴ Fiscal notes completed by the Judicial Branch, the Legislature, or other non-Executive Branch agencies are returned directly to the Fiscal Analysis Division and are not subject to review by the Budget Division of the Governor's Office of Finance.⁵⁵

Local governments are allowed eight working days to provide a response to a request for a fiscal note, but may not be given an extension beyond that period. Completed fiscal notes from local governments are compiled by the Fiscal Analysis Division from the information provided by the appropriate local government agencies.⁵⁶

A bill designated as "Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact" or "Effect on the State: Yes" by the Legal Division should not be used as the definitive statement on whether the bill actually has a financial impact upon State or local government. These designations require the Fiscal Analysis Division to obtain a fiscal note from the potentially affected State and local government entities. The actual fiscal notes submitted by the requested State and local government entities will indicate whether there is a fiscal impact and the amount of the impact, if any.

The Fiscal Analysis Division is not required to request a fiscal note on a bill designated as "Effect on Local Government: No" or "Effect on the State: No" by the Legal Division. However, State and local government entities may submit unsolicited fiscal notes indicating a potential fiscal impact. Although unsolicited fiscal notes are not printed in paper form, they are posted in NELIS and on the bill's information page on the LCB's website.

Thus, it is important to review the fiscal notes to determine whether there is a negative fiscal impact on State and local government. If there are any questions regarding a fiscal note for a bill, you can contact the Senate Fiscal Analyst or the Assembly Fiscal Analyst, in the Fiscal Analysis Division.

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.⁵⁷ 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.⁵⁸

Legislators have time and number limits on requests for the drafting of bills and resolutions. After a regular legislative session has convened, each Senator is entitled to two requests, and each member of the Assembly is entitled to one request for the

drafting of a bill that must be submitted by the eighth calendar day of session.⁵⁹ The number of requests for bills by standing committees is also limited, and these requests must be submitted by the fifteenth calendar day of session.⁶⁰ Emergency bills may be authorized by the Majority Leader of the Senate, the Speaker of the Assembly, the Minority Leader of the Senate, and the Minority Floor Leader of the Assembly.⁶¹ All bill draft requests must be introduced no later than ten calendar days after initial delivery.⁶² 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.⁶³ 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.⁶⁴ 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 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 the Assembly, a motion is usually made for referral to committees by the introducer. As with all bill referrals, the whole house votes on the question. A duplicate copy is transmitted to the Legislative Counsel for photocomposition and filing.⁶⁵ 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. (When a bill introduced and passed in the first house is presented to the other house, it is typically the Assistant Majority 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 announced (Senate) or appointed (Assembly) by the presiding officer in accordance with current standing rules.66 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 of the committees, including selection of chairs and vice chairs, is determined by the Majority Leader. Minority party assignments in the Senate committees are determined by the Minority Leader. In the Assembly, the Speaker designates the Chair, Vice Chair, and members of each committee.⁶⁷ The Speaker usually consults with the Minority Floor Leader on the committee appointments of minority party members. With some exceptions, the general practice is for the party membership on committees to reflect the composition of the entire Assembly. The Assembly Standing Rules include detailed uniform committee rules, and committees may adopt policies. In the Senate, basic rules for the functioning of committees are contained in the standing rules, 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 cases in which it is applicable and in which it is not inconsistent with the *Constitution*, the standing rules, and the customs, usage, and precedence of the respective houses.⁶⁸

The names and memberships of Senate and Assembly standing committees for the 2017 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 re-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 re-referred or amended and re-referred 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 re-referred 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.

Senate Standing Rule No. 53 requires that minutes and complete records of all bills be maintained. 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 LCB upon completion.

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 three other types of committees used by the Legislature in Nevada—committees of the whole, conference committees, 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. 69

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.

Another particularly important type of committee is the conference committee. Oftentimes when 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 2015 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.⁷⁰ If agreement cannot be reached by the conference committee, the bill or resolution dies.

Committee Hearing

The rules of the Senate require committees to acquaint themselves with the interests of the State specifically represented by the committee.⁷¹ 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 majority vote of the Senate. The Senate rules require that at least one day's notice of a withdrawal motion be given to a committee.⁷²

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 is transmitted first to the first committee named. If the first committee votes to amend the bill or resolution, the measure is sent to the floor for a vote on the amendment, *reprinted* with amendments if the amendment is adopted, and then sent to the second committee. If no amendment is proposed by the first committee, the measure must be sent to the floor with a committee recommendation and is then transmitted to the second committee.⁷³

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.⁷⁴ 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 appropriate 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.⁷⁵ Notices, or *agendas*, must include the date, time, place, and topics or legislation to be covered and must be: (1) posted conspicuously in the Legislative Building; and (2) 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 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* 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. 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 on the daily file.

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.⁷⁶

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.⁷⁷ 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.⁷⁸ Although the Senate rules are silent on this point, the practice has generally been the same.

On second reading, the Secretary or Chief Clerk 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. Current practice is for the motion to dispense with the reading of the amendment to occur before the Secretary begins reading it. 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.⁷⁹ 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/). 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. 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 Senate and 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 opened. 81

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 President," "Mr. or Madam Speaker"). The legislator is expected to observe decorum at all times, speak only on the subject under consideration, and avoid all references to personalities.⁸² 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.⁸³

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.⁸⁴ In closing debate, the author of the bill, resolution, or main motion customarily has the privilege of speaking last, unless the previous question has been sustained.⁸⁵

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. Bills or joint resolutions which create, generate, or increase public revenue through taxes, fees, or similar mechanisms require approval by a two-thirds majority 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 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.⁸⁷

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, a conference committee, composed of an equal number of members from the Senate and the Assembly, may be appointed for settlement of the bill's 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. 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. 89 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 a 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.⁹⁷

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, 2017"), it automatically becomes effective on October 1 of the year in which the bill is passed (October 1, 2017, for this session of the Legislature). 98

Adoption or Passage of Resolutions

The *Nevada Constitution* requires that bills and joint resolutions be processed and passed in an identical manner,⁹⁹ 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.¹⁰⁰ 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.¹⁰¹ The law currently requires that this opportunity to vote be at the next general election.¹⁰²

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.¹⁰³

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 chamber 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.¹⁰⁴

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.¹⁰⁵

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.¹⁰⁶

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.¹⁰⁷

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 the President, Congress, 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 to ratify an amendment to the *U.S. Constitution*.¹⁰⁸

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. 109 A concurrent resolution is acted upon by voice vote unless three members request a roll call vote.

One-House Resolution

A one-house resolution may be adopted by either house to establish its rules, appoint attachés or session staff, provide postage and stationery money for the members, express an opinion, express regret on the death of a former member of the Legislature or other person, request the return of an enrolled resolution from the Secretary of State, and for additional purposes determined to be appropriate by the Majority Leader of the Senate or the Speaker of the Assembly for their respective houses. Except when three members request a roll call vote, a one-house resolution is acted upon by voice vote.

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- Senate Standing Rule No. 1, Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly, Nevada Legislature, 78th Session, 2015.
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- ⁵² NRS 218D.445.
- ⁵³ NRS 218D.495.
- ⁵⁴ NRS 218D.475.
- ⁵⁵ NRS 218D.465.
- ⁵⁶ NRS 218D.475 and 218D.480.
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- ⁶⁹ Senate Standing Rule Nos. 46, 47, and 48, Assembly Standing Rule No. 45, ibid.
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- ⁹⁶ NRS 218D.675.
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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.\(^1\)

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

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.³ 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.⁴

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.⁵ 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: (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 method of selecting the Chair; and (4) the term of office of the Chair.⁶ 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.⁷

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 \$151 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.⁸

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.⁹

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. ¹⁰ The Commission also pays membership dues to other national organizations to the extent of legislative appropriation.

The Commission, which is designed to assist the Legislature in maintaining its independent and coordinate status with the Executive and Judicial Departments 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.¹¹ It also has subpoena power and may compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents necessary to the discharge of its duties.¹²

The Commission appoints the Nevada representatives to the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws¹³ 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.¹⁴

Between sessions of the Legislature, the Legislative Commission fixes the work priority of all studies and investigations assigned to it by statute or 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.¹⁵

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 Account. This account 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, an agency must submit a request to the State Board of Examiners for review and recommendation. If the Board finds sufficient justification for the requests, 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's request. 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 Account to the appropriate agency account.¹⁶

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 \$150,000; (2) accept gifts or donations of a monetary value over \$20,000; (3) accept gifts or grants that involve the hiring of new employees; (4) amend legislatively approved budgets in an amount more than \$30,000, when considered with previous changes, or increase or decrease a budget category by the lesser of 10 percent or \$75,000; 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.¹⁷

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.¹⁸

The Interim Finance Committee is composed of members of the Senate Committee on Finance and the Assembly Committee on Ways and Means. The position of Chair of the Interim Finance Committee alternates between the chairs 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.¹⁹

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.²⁰

Director

The Director functions as the executive head of the Legislative Counsel Bureau and supervises all of its daily administrative and technical activities.²¹ 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.²²

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.²³ 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.²⁴ 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.²⁵ 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.²⁶

The Director is given the statutory responsibility of registering lobbyists.²⁷ 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.²⁸ He also provides a secretary for the Interim Retirement and Benefits Committee and the Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste.²⁹

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.³⁰

Audit Division

The Audit Division performs audits of the Executive and Judicial Departments of State government.³¹ 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.³² The audits furnish independent and factual information to assist the Legislature in the discharge of its constitutional duties.³³ All audits are conducted in accordance with generally accepted governmental auditing standards.³⁴ The objective of each audit varies depending on the nature of the agency, but generally includes 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; or
- 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.³⁶ 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.³⁷

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.³⁸

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.³⁹

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.⁴⁰

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.⁴¹ The Legislative Auditor serves as Secretary to the Audit Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission.⁴²

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.⁴⁵

Copies of the annual audit reports on professional boards and commissions are required to be filed with the Legislative Auditor.⁴⁶ 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.⁴⁷

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.⁴⁸ The Legislative Auditor is also required to release certain information concerning such children upon request if a child welfare agency refuses to do so.⁴⁹

The Legislative Auditor is further required to conduct reviews, audits, and unannounced visits of residential children's facilities. This requirement, incorporated into Chapter 218G of *Nevada Revised Statutes* (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.⁵⁰

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.⁵¹ The Legal Division also is responsible for the preparation and publication of supplements, annotations and indexes to NRS, and several compilations of selected portions of NRS.⁵² The Division 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 *Nevada Administrative Code* (NAC) and the *Register of Administrative Regulations*.⁵³ 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 Legislative Branch and the Nevada Supreme Court, and may accept other governmental work.⁵⁴

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.⁵⁵ The Legislative Counsel is one of Nevada's Commissioners on Uniform State Laws.⁵⁶

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.⁵⁷ The Legislative Counsel only issues opinions upon the request of a member or committee of the Legislature, the Legislative Commission, or the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau.⁵⁸ 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.

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 Department unless a request has been approved by the Governor and is received on or before August 1 preceding the regular session. Proposed legislative measures 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 1.⁵⁹ The preparation of legislative measures 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 legislative measures, 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, are prohibited from urging or opposing any legislation and are 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 to the disclosure.⁶⁰

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, reengrossment, or enrollment.⁶¹

The staff of the Legal Division performs engrossing, reengrossing, 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. The official engrossed bill is then delivered to the Secretary of State.

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.⁶⁴ The Legislative Counsel is responsible for revising NRS and all other authorized publications of the Legal Division. 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 all regulations adopted by the agencies of the Executive Department, except those exempted from the Nevada Administrative Procedure Act. The Legal Division also revises, if appropriate, the language of regulation so it is clear, concise, and appropriate for incorporation in NAC (NRS 233B.063). The Legal Division also codifies all adopted regulations that have been approved by the Legislative Commission in NAC. *Nevada Administrative 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 conformance with statutory authority and compliance with legislative intent.⁶⁵

The Legislative Counsel hires and directs the staff of attorneys and other members of the Legal Division engaged in the legal work of the Legislative Counsel Bureau.

STATE PRINTING OFFICE

Nevada State Printing was transferred from the Executive Department 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 Legislative Counsel Bureau staff, the print shop, computer training rooms, and warehouse operations. 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 the Legislative Branch and Nevada Supreme Court. 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.

Research Division

The Research Division is the general information and service arm of the Legislature. It conducts policy analysis and research on a wide variety of subjects at the request of legislators, legislative committees, other State and local officials, and citizens of Nevada. The Division 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 the Research 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;
- 4. 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;
- 6. 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;
- 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;⁶⁶ and
- 11. Working with the Legal Division to develop recommendations for the elimination of obsolete or antiquated statutes.⁶⁷

The Research Director, or a designee, is the nonvoting recording secretary and primary technical staff person of the Legislative Committee on Public Lands, ⁶⁸ and the Division also provides primary legislative staff support to the ongoing statutory committees which in past interims have included the Committees on Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice; Education; Energy; Health Care; High-Level Radioactive Waste; Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults With Special Needs; the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and Marlette Lake Water System; and the Commission on Special License Plates.

The Nevada Legislature Oral History Program established in 2015 is administered by the Research Division. The Oral History Program will conduct and preserve the oral histories of current and former legislators.⁶⁹

The primary function of the Research Division is to conduct policy analysis and research for 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 to legislators 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 *Nevada 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 Committee 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 policy analysis and research on bills and related matters under consideration by the committees. Committee 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. The production of all formal, ongoing, and special publications is overseen by the Division's Publications Unit.

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 policy 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 professional library services in support of the Legislative Counsel Bureau's activities. Major services provided by Library staff include researching the history of Nevada legislation, legislators, and the Legislature; answering questions about Nevada legislative materials, the Legislature's website, and Nevada government; providing assistance and training in locating information from print and electronic sources; and maintaining the Library's website and databases. Library collections include current and historic sets of Nevada compiled laws, bills introduced since 1911, Nevada Territorial and State journals and session laws, and minutes and exhibits of legislative hearings. The collection also includes studies and reports from federal, state, and professional organizations, as well as resources for statistical and comparative research. The Library website (http://www.leg.state.nv.us/division/research/library) provides access to various Library databases covering legislative history, legislators, reports to the Legislature, schools and legislative districts, and the Library catalog, as well as other key information sources. For more information about the Library's services, see Chapter 5, "Resources for Legislators."

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.⁷⁰

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 operating and technical support to the other divisions of the LCB and to the Legislature. The Division is responsible for accounting and human resources; lobbyist registration; audio and video services; communications equipment; control of inventory; information technology services; janitorial services; maintenance and remodeling of buildings; maintenance of legislative grounds and vehicles; purchasing; legislative police; parking; shipping and receiving; utilities; and warehouse operations.⁷¹

The Chief of the Administrative 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 Chief.⁷²

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 Legislative Building, and the State Printing Office 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—Legislative Building, (775) 684-6800 Director—Rick Combs

Administrative Division—Legislative Building, (775) 684-6800 Chief of the Administrative Division—Roger Wilkerson Las Vegas Office—555 East Washington Avenue, Room 4400, (702) 486-2800 Legislative Services Officer—Melisa Aguon

Audit Division—Sedway Office Building, Second Floor, (775) 684-6815Legislative Auditor—Rocky Cooper

Fiscal Analysis Division—Sedway Office Building, Third Floor, (775) 684-6821 Fiscal Analyst (Senate)—Mark Krmpotic Fiscal Analyst (Assembly)—Cindy Jones

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—Mike Reeley

Research Division—Sedway Office Building, First Floor, (775) 684-6825 Research Director—Susan Scholley

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.

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.

STATE PRINTING OFFICE

The State Printing Office is located east of the Legislative Building at 301 South Stewart Street. The two-story structure houses LCB staff, the print shop, computer training rooms, and warehouse operations.

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.

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 codes are 702 and 725. 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 (702) 486-2626 or from other Nevada areas by dialing (800) 978-2878, (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 (702) 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 (702) 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	4-1411
Assembly Sergeant at Arms	4-8524
Emergency Coordinator:	
John Drew, 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.

ENDNOTES FOR CHAPTER IV

- ¹ Chapter 91, Statutes of Nevada 1945, 136 and 137.
- ² Id., 136.
- ³ Chapter 403, Statutes of Nevada 1963, 1011.
- ⁴ Id., 1014.
- ⁵ NRS 218F.100.
- ⁶ NRS 218E.150.
- NRS 218E.150 and Joint Rule No. 11, Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly, Nevada Legislature, 78th Session, 2015.
- ⁸ NRS 218A.630 and 218E.160.
- ⁹ NRS 218E.155.
- ¹⁰ NRS 218E.180.
- ¹¹ NRS 218E.175.
- ¹² NRS 218E.185.
- ¹³ NRS 219.020.
- ¹⁴ NRS 218E.180.
- ¹⁵ NRS 218E.205.
- ¹⁶ NRS 353.266 through 353.269, inclusive.
- ¹⁷ NRS 353.220, 353.224, and 353.335.
- ¹⁸ NRS 341.145.
- ¹⁹ NRS 218E.400.
- ²⁰ Id., subsection 8.
- ²¹ NRS 218F.110.
- ²² NRS 218F.100.
- ²³ NRS 218A.150 and 218F.110.
- ²⁴ NRS 218C.390, 218F.210, and 218F.230.
- ²⁵ NRS 218F.300 and 331.135.
- ²⁶ NRS 218E.180.
- ²⁷ NRS 218H.010, et seq.
- ²⁸ NRS 218E.155, 218E.400, 218E.560, 218E.610, 218E.710, 218E.755, and 439B.210.
- ²⁹ NRS 218E.420, 218F.110, and 459.0085.
- ³⁰ NRS 218E.225.
- ³¹ NRS 218G.030 to 218G.585, inclusive.
- ³² NRS 218G.450.
- 33 NRS 218G.010.
- ³⁴ NRS 218G.110.
- 35 NRS 218G.200.
- ³⁶ NRS 218G.120.
- ³⁷ NRS 218G.210.
- ³⁸ NRS 218G.240.
- 39 NRS 218G.140.
- ⁴⁰ NRS 218G.250 and 218G.270.
- 41 NRS 218G.100.

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- ⁴² NRS 218E.240.
- ⁴³ NRS 218G.330 to 218G.350, inclusive.
- ⁴⁴ NRS 353.060.
- 45 NRS 218G.160.
- ⁴⁶ NRS 218G.400.
- ⁴⁷ NRS 353.325.
- ⁴⁸ NRS 218G.550.
- 49 NRS 218G 555.
- ⁵⁰ NRS 218G.570 to 218G.585, inclusive.
- ⁵¹ NRS 218D.050 through 218D.355 and 218F.710.
- 52 Chapter 220 of NRS.
- ⁵³ NRS 233B.065 and 233B.0653.
- ⁵⁴ NRS 344.047 and 344.050.
- ⁵⁵ NRS 218F.700.
- ⁵⁶ NRS 219.020.
- ⁵⁷ NRS 218F.720.
- ⁵⁸ NRS 218F.710.
- ⁵⁹ NRS 218D.175 and 218D.205.
- ⁶⁰ NRS 218F.150.
- ⁶¹ NRS 218D.610.
- 62 NRS 218D.630.
- ⁶³ NRS 218D.655.
- 64 NRS 220.080 and 220.085.
- 65 NRS 233B.067.
- 66 NRS 218D.810.
- ⁶⁷ NRS 220.085.
- ⁶⁸ NRS 218E.515.
- 69 NRS 218A.350.
- ⁷⁰ NRS 218F.600.
- ⁷¹ NRS 218F.500.
- ⁷² 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 three categories—basic printed resources, library services, and Internet 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 two documents issued by the Executive Branch—the *Executive Budget*, and the *Recommended Capital Improvement Program*—should also receive legislators' scrutiny. The major printed resources available to Nevada legislators are briefly highlighted below. Most of these resources also are accessible through the websites of the Legislature (http://www.leg.state.nv.us) and the State (http://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 during 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 bills 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 an 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.
- 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, amended or repealed.
- 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 59 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 (on CD-ROM).

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 such governments.

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 NRS. Court Rules Volume I contains the Nevada Rules of Civil Procedure, Nevada Short Trial Rules, and Rules Governing Alternative Dispute Resolution and Nevada Alternate Trial Rules. Court Rules Volume II contains the Nevada Electronic Filing and Conversion Rules, Justice Court Rules, Local Justice Court Rules, District Court Rules, and Local Rules of Practice. Court Rules Volume III contains the Nevada Rules of Appellate Procedure; Supreme Court Rules; the Nevada Code of Judicial Conduct; the Rules Governing Sealing and Redacting Court Records; the Rules Governing the Standing Committee on Judicial Ethics; the Rules Governing Appearance by Audiovisual Transmission Equipment; the Rules Governing the Collection of Fees and Charges; the Rules Pertaining to Exhibits Marked and/or Admitted Into Evidence; Addendum Nos. 1 and 2; the Nevada Rules of Professional Conduct; the Nevada Rules on the Administrative Docket; the Minimum Records Retention Schedules; the Policy for Handling Filed, Lodged, and Presumptively Confidential Documents; and the Foreclosure Mediation Rules. The U.S. District Court Rules and the U.S. Ninth Circuit Court Rules are available in soft bound copy. 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 Volume 51 of NRS.

The Nevada Admission Acts and the *Nevada Constitution* with its index are found in Volume 47 of NRS. Volume 48 contains the *U.S. Constitution* with its index and charters for all cities incorporated by special act. Volume 49 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 50 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 52 through 56 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 or also for changes made in special sessions.

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.

Nevada Revised Statutes contains annotations that assist in interpreting the meaning of statutory language appearing in NRS. The annotations contain several basic aids to understanding Nevada law:

- 1. 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 and/or parentheses 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 50 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 NRS that are related to the statutory provision.

- Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Cross References. The annotations contain references to sections of the NAC that are related or adopted pursuant to the statutory provision.
- 7. Relevant Judicial Decisions. The annotations contain notes and citations for decisions of the Nevada 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. 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.
- 9. Opinions of Nevada's Commission on Ethics. Where appropriate, the annotations contain brief notes on pertinent Opinions of the 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 *Nevada Administrative Code*, 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, temporary, and emergency regulation, the notice of intent to act upon the regulation, the written notice of adoption of the regulation and an informational statement for the regulation.

Nevada Administrative Code 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.

Histories

The Nevada Legislature considered over 1,100 legislative measures during the 2015 Session. The progress of each of these bills and resolutions is summarized in the *Senate History* and the *Assembly History*.

The *Histories* list each bill and resolution introduced in the respective chamber 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 sponsor (whether individual or committee), cosponsors 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 draft request. Then, in chronological order, the measure's legislative history is traced up to the date of the history's publication. Thus, at a moment's glance, a legislator or other interested person can locate any bill or resolution in the legislative process and determine its status.

At the conclusion of each legislative 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. Measures enacted into law are traced through the date of the Governor's signature (or the date on which they became law without the Governor's 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, and other items of general interest.

Index and Tables of Bills and Resolutions

The index and tables of Senate and Assembly bills and resolutions is a cumulative publication produced by the Legal Division, which is printed each week and uploaded daily on the legislative website 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.

The tables to Senate and Assembly bills are 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 was enrolled.
- 2. 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.
- 3. Two daggers (††) indicate that the bill was vetoed.
- 4. A double dagger (‡) indicates that the resolution was approved.
- 5. A superscript "D" (D) indicates that the bill failed to meet deadline.

In the index, 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. 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 six 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. The Senate and Assembly continue to publish the amendments in-line in each day's journal.

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.

Nevada Report to Taxpayers

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 of the Governor's Office of Finance at http://budget.nv.gov by clicking on the "State Budget" tab and then selecting "Related Budgeting Links" and "Report to Taxpayers."

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 programs for Legislators and new employees including employee orientation videos, harassment prevention videos, and legislative police personal safety videos. The employee orientation program includes a description of staff and services of all divisions and the administrative units.

The harassment prevention program offers training to employees and supervisors. The legislative police personal safety program includes tips and instructions on what to do during life safety events. All videos are available on the Legislature's internal network (LegNet) under "LCB Employees General Information." The Senate and Assembly also have informational videos available on LegNet and, by request, can be made available on DVD. Recordings of committee meetings and floor sessions are available to the public on the Nevada Legislature's website under "Videos of Archived Meetings."

Recommended Schedule of Priorities for Capital Improvements

Pursuant to NRS 341.083, 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 \$300,000. The publication containing the long-range perspective of the capital construction needs and ultimate level of financing required is the *Recommended 2017-2019 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 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. The most recent version of *Mason's Manual* was published in 2010.

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.

- 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 2017 Session is 17-01

Bulletins are available electronically on the Legislature's website (http://www.leg. state.nv.us/Division/Research/Publications/DivStudyLegReport.cfm), or 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. *Guide to the Nevada Legislature*. This guide contains maps to the Legislative Building, photos and contact information of legislators, an overview of the Legislature, a list of standing committees, and other information.
- 5. Nevada Education Data Book. This book contains data and information pertaining to school finance, teachers and leaders, statewide student testing, and education programs designed to improve student academic achievement. There is also an extensive section in this book describing past, current, and projected demographic characteristics of the education system.
- 6. Policy and Program Reports; 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 these reports.
- 7. District Demographic Profiles. Using information from the U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey, these documents report various data categories for each legislative district and compare that information to Nevada and the United States. The Research Division welcomes legislators' suggestions for categories to be covered in these reports.

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, measurement 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 2011 Legislature further expanded the makeup of the *Executive Budget* to include a general summary of the long-term performance goals for core governmental functions; an explanation of the means by which ratable progress towards achieving the long-term goals will be met; and an outline of other important features of the financial plan of the Executive Branch for the next two fiscal years.

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, fiscal trends, and core functions of State government and related performance benchmarks. 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 consists of five members from the private sector required to provide a forecast for future State General Fund revenues by December 3 of even-numbered years and May 1 of odd-numbered years (NRS 353.226 through NRS 353.229). The Governor appoints all five members to the Forum, with the Majority Leader of the Senate and the Speaker of the Assembly each nominating a member for appointment by the Governor. The Forum is assisted in preparing the forecasts by the Technical Advisory Committee consisting of the Chief of the Budget Division of the Governor's Office of Finance; Senate and Assembly Fiscal Analysts; the State Demographer; the head of the Research and Analysis 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 forecasts prepared by the Economic Forum are based on the current revenue structure specified in statute. The December forecast must be used by the Governor in developing the *Executive Budget* presented to the Legislature before each session and the May forecast is used by the Legislature in developing the legislatively approved budget during each session.

During each interim, the Economic Forum is required to meet on or before December 10 of odd-numbered years and June 10 of even-numbered years. At these meetings, an update on the status of actual State General Fund revenues compared to the Economic Forum's most recent forecast is presented. The Economic Forum is not required to consider or approve additional forecasts of State General Fund revenue at these interim meetings. The Economic Forum also considers information on current economic indicators and other information deemed appropriate by the members. The Chair of the Economic Forum is required to provide a report of these two interim meetings to the Interim Finance Committee and the report must be made available on the Legislature's website.

LIBRARY SERVICES FOR LEGISLATORS

Research Library—Legislative Counsel Bureau

The Research Library is part of the Legislative Counsel Bureau Research Division, and provides professional library services for legislators, legislative staff, state and local government agencies, and the public, including:

- Answering questions about legislative materials, the Legislature's website, and Nevada government;
- Researching the history of Nevada legislation, legislators, and the Legislature;
- Providing assistance and training in locating background and historical information on various topics; and
- Maintaining parts of the legislative website and creating databases of legislative information

In addition to the Library's catalog, these databases cover legislative history, legislators, reports to the Legislature, and schools and legislative districts. Library databases and other information sources can be found on the Library's website (http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Division/Research/Library).

The Research Library is the custodian of the standing and interim committee minutes and exhibits for legislative proceedings. The legislative committee minutes are available on microform from 1965 to 2009 and on the Legislature's website from 1993 forward. Some committee minutes pre-dating 1993 also are available on the Library's website. The interim committee minutes are available in the Research Library from 1969 to present, and on the Legislature's website from 1997 forward.

Library collections include official Nevada legislative documents: current and historic sets of Nevada compiled laws, bills introduced since 1911, *Territorial Laws* and *Statutes of Nevada* from 1861 to present, and the *Journals* of the Senate and Assembly from 1864 to present. The collection also includes publications of the various Legislative Counsel Bureau divisions, as well as studies and reports from federal, state, and professional organizations. The Research Library also maintains files of research prepared by Research Division staff, organized by subject matter.

The Library is located on the first floor of the Sedway Office Building and is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday (telephone: 775-684-6827; e-mail: library@lcb.state.nv.us).

State Library and Archives

The 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://nsla.nv.gov. State Library and Archives hours are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday through Friday.

The following areas are of special use to members of the Legislature.

STATE LIBRARY SERVICES

The research 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. Research requests are conducted 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 vital information (telephone: 775-684-3303; e-mail: nslref@admin.nv.gov).

State and local agency publications in all formats are available for research use at the State Library and Archives. Copies of these publications are also distributed to the Clark, Elko, and Washoe County libraries and to the University of Nevada campuses in Las Vegas and Reno.

The State Library and Archives is a federal documents depository, maintaining select current and historical collection of 549,435 federal documents, which include 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: 775-684-3381).

The library development unit 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 federal and State 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: 775-684-3306).

ARCHIVES AND RECORDS

The State Archives program preserves the records that document the history of Nevada government dating back to 1851. The program preserves and makes accessible over 12,000 photographs, including photographs of the early legislatures and State government leaders. The program conducts tours of the State Archives for legislators, staff, and guests. State Archives can be contacted for more information (telephone: 775-684-3310; e-mail: claframboise@admin.nv.gov; or fax: 775-684-3317).

The State Records program identifies official records and prepares records retention schedules of these records for use by Executive Department agencies and local governments. The program is accessible to the Legislative Department for many types of records management consultation, including records retention schedules and electronic records management systems. The program also operates the State Records Center for the cost-efficient, long-term storage of paper records of Executive Department agencies. For more information, contact the State Records (telephone: 775-684-3411; e-mail: smartel@admin.nv.gov; or fax: 775-684-3425).

The Imaging and Preservation Services (IPS) program provides document, book, and photographic scanning services; large format scanning and printing services; and program tours. For more information, contact the IPS by telephone (775-684-3414) or by e-mail (claframboise@admin.nv.gov).

State Archives and Records maintains and makes available the *Public Records Act: A Manual for State Agencies* on its website (http://nsla.nv.gov/Records/Public_Records/Public_Records/), which provides agencies with detailed procedures on making public records accessible.

Nevada's Supreme Court Law Library

The Supreme Court Law Library occupies the first floor of the Supreme Court Building. The library provides research services and access to legal information for legislators as well as the legal community and the public. The library has a public copier, Internet access, and online database services such as Hein Online, Lexis, and Westlaw. The library's collection contains case law, statutes, treatises, and law reviews. If the library does not have the item in the collection, staff can try to obtain it through interlibrary loan.

The library has a collection of early Nevada codes, superseded NACs, Nevada county codes and municipal codes. Requests for information and research assistance can be made by telephone (775-684-1640), fax (775-684-1662), e-mail (reference@nvcourts.nv.gov), mail, or in person. The library's website is http://nvcourts.gov/lawlibrary/. The library has three meeting rooms available for use during the day with reservation. To reserve a meeting room, call (775) 684-1640. The library hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. The library is closed on holidays and weekends.

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 journals from the 1997 to 2017 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 members are and can contact them by e-mail, read the legislators' biographies, or view detailed maps of each legislator's district. 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. Reports that have been submitted to the Legislature from various State and other agencies may also 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.

Another popular item on the website is the Vote Nevada webpage. This page contains information on the most recent election and links to campaign-related materials, State and federal election information, and ballot questions. There is also a link to "Frequently Asked Questions" on the homepage if users need assistance navigating the website.

Finally, during the 2011 Legislative Session, the Legislature made it mandatory for new members of the Legislature to attend training, which includes legislative procedure and protocol; overviews of the budget and budgetary procedure; and policy issue briefings (NRS 218A.285). Information on this training is also available on the Legislature's website.

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APPENDIX A 120-DAY CALENDAR AND DATES OF INTEREST

NEVADA LEGISLATURE 2017 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 218D 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 session staff and 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 2017 LEGISLATIVE SESSION 120-Day Calendar

Date (Day of Session)	Date (Day of Session)	Date (Day of Session)
Feb. 6 (1)	Mar. 18 (41)	Apr. 27 (81)
Feb. 7 (2)	Mar. 19 (42)	Apr. 28 (82)
Feb. 8 (3)	Mar. 20 (43) Legislators' Bill Introductions	Apr. 29 (83)
Feb. 9 (4)	Mar. 21 (44)	Apr. 30 (84)
Feb. 10 (5) Subcommittees Start Meeting Jointly	Mar. 22 (45)	May 1 (85) Economic Forum Report Due
Feb. 11 (6)	Mar. 23 (46)	May 2 (86)
Feb. 12 (7)	Mar. 24 (47)	May 3 (87)
Feb. 13 (8) Legislators' BDR Requests	Mar. 25 (48)	May 4 (88)
Feb. 14 (9)	Mar. 26 (49)	May 5 (89) Start Resolving Budget Differences
Feb. 15 (10)	Mar. 27 (50) Joint Standing Rule No. 14 and Other Remaining Bill Introductions	May 6 (90)
Feb. 16 (11)	Mar. 28 (51)	May 7 (91)
Feb. 17 (12)	Mar. 29 (52)	May 8 (92)
Feb. 18 (13)	Mar. 30 (53)	May 9 (93)
Feb. 19 (14)	Mar. 31 (54)	May 10 (94)
Feb. 20 (15) Joint Standing Rule No. 14 BDR Requests	Apr. 1 (55)	May 11 (95)
Feb. 21 (16)	Apr. 2 (56)	May 12 (96)
Feb. 22 (17)	Apr. 3 (57)	May 13 (97)
Feb. 23 (18)	Apr. 4 (58) Start Closing Budgets	May 14 (98)
Feb. 24 (19)	Apr. 5 (59)	May 15 (99)
Feb. 25 (20)	Apr. 6 (60)	May 16 (100)
Feb. 26 (21)	Apr. 7 (61)	May 17 (101)
Feb. 27 (22) Joint Standing Rule No. 14 BDR Details	Apr. 8 (62)	May 18 (102)
Feb. 28 (23)	Apr. 9 (63)	May 19 (103) Committee Passage (Second House)
Mar. 1 (24)	Apr. 10 (64)	May 20 (104)
Mar. 2 (25)	Apr. 11 (65)	May 21 (105)
Mar. 3 (26)	Apr. 12 (66)	May 22 (106)
Mar. 4 (27)	Apr. 13 (67)	May 23 (107)
Mar. 5 (28)	Apr. 14 (68) Committee Passage (First House)	May 24 (108)
Mar. 6 (29)	Apr. 15 (69)	May 25 (109) Finish Budget Differences
Mar. 7 (30)	Apr. 16 (70)	May 26 (110) Second House Passage
Mar. 8 (31)	Apr. 17 (71)	May 27 (111)
Mar. 9 (32)	Apr. 18 (72)	May 28 (112)
Mar. 10 (33)	Apr. 19 (73)	May 29 (113)
Mar. 11 (34)	Apr. 20 (74)	May 30 (114)
Mar. 12 (35)	Apr. 21 (75)	May 31 (115) Budget Bills Introduced Exempt Bills from Committee
Mar. 13 (36)	Apr. 22 (76)	June 1 (116)
Mar. 14 (37)	Apr. 23 (77)	June 2 (117)
Mar. 15 (38)	Apr. 24 (78)	June 3 (118)
Mar. 16 (39)	Apr. 25 (79) First House Passage	June 4 (119)
Mar. 17 (40)	Apr. 26 (80)	June 5 (120)

APPENDIX B LIMITATIONS AND DEADLINES FOR BILL DRAFT REQUESTS

NUMBER OF LEGISLATIVE MEASURES THAT MAY BE REQUESTED FOR DRAFTING, BY ENTITY

Nevada Legislature—2017 Regular Legislative Session

Authorized Entity	Time Frame	Number of Measures Per Entity
Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) 218D	.150 and Joint Rule 14 (2011)	
Assemblyman/Assemblywoman– Incumbent	On or before August 1, 2016 August 2, 2016, through December 10, 2016 February 6, 2017, through February 13, 2017	4 5 1
Assemblyman/Assemblywoman- Newly elected	On or before December 10, 2016 February 6, 2017, through February 13, 2017	5 1
Senator-Incumbent	On or before August 1, 2016 August 2, 2016, through December 10, 2016 February 6, 2017, through February 13, 2017	8 10 2
Senator-Newly elected	On or before December 10, 2016 February 6, 2017, through February 13, 2017	10 2
NRS 218D.150* Standing Session Committee Chairs	Before the November 8, 2016, General Election ¹	1 per 18 measures referred during previous regular session
Joint Rule 14 (2015) Standing Session Committees	February 6, 2017, through 5 p.m. on February 20, 2017	60 per house
NRS 218D.155 and Joint Rule 14.4	(2015)	
Speaker of the Assembly and Majority Leader of the Senate	Before the November 8, 2016 General Election ² Emergency requests during Session	15 5
Minority Leaders of the Assembly and Senate	Before the November 8, 2014 General Election ² Emergency requests during Session	10 2
NRS 218D.160 ³		
Legislative Commission	Before February 6, 2017	10
Interim Finance Committee	Before February 6, 2017	10
Statutory Legislative Committee	On or before September 1, 2016	10
Interim Study Committee created by 2015 Legislature or by the Legislative Commission	On or before September 1, 2016	5

¹Per NRS 218D.150, the deadline to request the remaining number of legislative measures is extended to December 20, 2016, for committee chairs and designated after the November 2016 General Election. ²Per NRS 218D.155, the deadline to request the remaining number of legislative measures is extended to February 5, 2017 (prior to 1st day of Session), for persons designated after the November 2016 General Election as Speaker of the Assembly, Majority Leader of the Senate, and Minority Leaders of the Assembly and Senate.

³Per NRS 218D.160, the Legislative Commission may authorize an interim study committee created by order of the Legislative Commission pursuant to NRS 218E.200 to request the drafting of additional legislative measures.

Authorized Entity	Time Frame	Number of Measures Per Entity
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
NRS 218D.190, and NRS 218D.105 ⁴ Supreme Court	On or before September 1, 2016	10
NRS 218D.175		•
Governor/Executive Branch Governor for Legislative Agenda	On or before August 1, 2016 On or before February 24, 2017	110 5
Office of Finance	On or before February 24, 2017	Unlimited, to implement budget
Lieutenant Governor	On or before September 1, 2016	3
Secretary of State	On or before September 1, 2016 On or before December 31, 2016	6 2
State Treasurer	On or before September 1, 2016	5
State Controller	On or before September 1, 2016	5
Attorney General	On or before September 1, 2016	20
NRS 218D.205 and NRS 218D.1504		
County of 700,000 or more School district in such county	On or before September 1, 2016	4 2
County of 100,000 to 699,999 School district in such county	On or before September 1, 2016	2 1
County under 100,000 School district in such county	On or before September 1, 2016	1 1
City of 500,000 or more	On or before September 1, 2016	3
City of 150,000 to 499,999	On or before September 1, 2016	2
City under 150,000	On or before September 1, 2016	1
NRS 218D.210 and NRS 218D.105 ⁴ Association of Counties or Cities	On or before September 1, 2016	5

⁴Per NRS 218D.105, the Legislative Commission when the Legislature is not in a regular session, or a standing session committee with jurisdiction over the subject matter when the Legislature is in a regular session, may waive the deadline for an authorized nonlegislative requester to submit a request for the drafting of a legislative measure in exceptional circumstances.

Authorized Entity	Time Frame	Number of Measures Per Entity
NRS 219.A220 ⁵ Nevada Youth Legislature	On or before December 1, 2016	1
NRS 218D.220 and NRS 218D.105 ⁴ Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum	On or before September 1, 2016	1

⁴Per NRS 218D.105, the Legislative Commission when the Legislature is not in a regular session, or a standing session committee with jurisdiction over the subject matter when the Legislature is in a regular session, may waive the deadline for an authorized nonlegislative requester to submit a request for the drafting of a legislative measure in exceptional circumstances.

⁵Per NRS 219A.220, the Legislative Commission may authorize submittal of a request after that date.

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 decides 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 recommends the bill be placed on the Consent Calendar. This action is limited to certain noncontroversial bills reported out of committee without amendment.

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, it is reprinted before being placed on the General File

SECOND READING

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. In the Senate, any member who casts a vote may serve notice of reconsideration to request a second vote. In the Assembly, a member must have voted on the prevailing side of the measure to make a motion to reconsider. All bills that are passed by the first legislative house are then forwarded to the second legislative house where the process begins again.

FLOOR DEBATE & VOTE

ACTION IN THE SECOND HOUSE

COMMITTEE **ACTION** SECOND READING

actions are nearly

Procedures and possible

identical to those in the

first legislative house.

The bill is read for the first time and referred to committee.

FIRST

READING

FLOOR DEBATE & VOTE

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.

The procedure is identical to that in the

Revised January 2017

*This chart primarily describes legislative steps for a bill or joint resolution. The process for a one-house or concurrent resolution varies slightly. Deadlines for final action on bills and joint resolutions by committees and houses typically are established by joint rule at the beginning of each legislative 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 from) 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.

SIGN OR VETO?

ROLE OF THE GOVERNOR

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.

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.

APPENDIX D EXAMPLES OF BILLS, RESOLUTIONS, AND A FISCAL NOTE

THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF A SENATE BILL

EXEMPT

S.B. 510

SENATE BILL NO. 510-COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS

MAY 6, 2015

Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Makes various changes relating to the State Personnel System. (BDR 23-1272)

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 the State Personnel System; revising the provisions governing the right of certain employees of the Legislative Branch of the State Government to transfer to positions in the classified service of the State; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law provides that certain unclassified employees of the Executive Branch of the State Government and certain employees of the Judicial and Legislative Branches are entitled to transfer to positions having similar duties and compensation in the classified service of the State on the same basis as employees may transfer within the classified service. Such an employee is exempt from any requirement of a competitive examination and is entitled to: (1) retain credits for annual and sick leave and longevity; and (2) priority on the lists of eligible persons, to the extent that those privileges are accorded to employees transferring within the classified service. (NRS 284.3775) This bill revises those provisions so that an employee of the Legislative Branch who has served for 4 consecutive months is entitled to transfer to: (1) any position in the classified service having duties and compensation similar to those of the employee's position with the Legislative Branch, as under existing law, or (2) any other position in the classified service for which the employee is qualified, regardless of the duties and compensation of the position.





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THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF A SENATE BILL (continued)

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

Section 1. NRS 284.295 is hereby amended to read as follows: 284.295 1. Vacancies in positions must be filled, so far as practicable, by promotion within a department or agency from among persons holding positions in the classified service. Promotions must be based upon merit and fitness, to be ascertained in accordance with regulations adopted by the Commission. In such regulations, the employee's efficiency, character, conduct and length of service must all constitute factors. For the purposes of this subsection, a person employed by the Legislative Branch of Government pursuant to subsection [5] 7 of NRS 284.3775 shall be deemed to hold the position the person held before the legislative session.

- 2. Eligibility for promotion must be determined on recommendation of the appointing authority and certification by the Administrator that the employee meets the minimum requirements and demonstrates the employee's qualifications in accordance with regulations adopted by the Commission.
- 3. The Administrator may provide, in specific cases, for competitive promotional examinations among employees of departments other than that in which a particular vacancy in a higher classification may exist.
- 4. An advancement in rank or grade or an increase in salary beyond the maximum fixed for the class constitutes a promotion.
- Sec. 2. NRS 284.3775 is hereby amended to read as follows: 284.3775 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, employees of the Supreme Court, employees of the Court of Appeals [.] or employees in the unclassified service of the Executive Branch of the Government of the State of Nevada [. or employees of the Legislative Branch of the Government of the State of Nevada] who have served for 4 consecutive months or more are entitled to transfer to a position having similar duties and compensation in the classified service of the State on the same basis as employees may transfer within the classified service from a position under one appointing authority to a position under another appointing authority.
- 2. An employee of the Legislative Branch of the Government of the State of Nevada who has served for 4 consecutive months or more is entitled to transfer to:
- (a) Any position in the classified service of the State having similar duties and compensation; or





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- (b) Any other position in the classified service of the State for which the employee is qualified, without regard to the duties and compensation of the position.
- Except as otherwise provided in this subsection and subsection 6, such an employee is entitled to transfer to such a position on the same basis as employees may transfer within the classified service from a position under one appointing authority to a position under another appointing authority.
- 3. The benefit conferred by [this subsection] subsections 1 and 2 includes any exemption from the taking of a competitive examination, retention of credits for annual and sick leave and longevity, and priority on the lists of eligible persons to the extent that such privileges are accorded to employees transferring within the classified service.
- [2.] 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection [4.] 6, the benefits conferred by subsection 1 do not apply to an employee in the unclassified service who is the chief officer of a department or division.
- [3.] 5. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection and subsection [4.] 6, a person may not transfer pursuant to subsection 1 to a class composed of:
 - (a) Professionally qualified persons; or
- (b) Officers and administrators who set broad policies and exercise responsibility for the execution of those policies.
- → A person may transfer to a class described in paragraph (a) or (b) if that class is provided for pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 284.155.
- [4.] 6. The restrictions provided in subsections [2] 4 and [3] 5 do not apply to [an]:
 - (a) An employee of the Legislative Branch of Government; or
- (b) An employee of the Supreme Court, an employee of the Court of Appeals : or an employee in the unclassified service of the Executive Branch of Government of Government of the Legislative Branch of Government whose appointment to that position was immediately preceded by an appointment in the classified service, except that such an employee described in this paragraph may only transfer to a position in the classified service that has duties and compensation that are similar either to the employee's current position or to a position the employee previously held in the classified service.
- [5.] 7. An employee in the classified service of the State who is granted leave without pay to accept a position in the Legislative Branch of Government during a regular or special session:
- (a) Is entitled to be restored to the employee's previous position in the classified service upon the completion of the legislative





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session without loss of seniority or benefits. Seniority must be calculated as if the employee had not taken the leave.

- (b) Is eligible to fill vacancies in positions within the classified service to the extent that the employee would be eligible if the employee was not on leave from the employee's position in the classified service.
- [6.] 8. An employee of the Legislative Branch of the Government of the State of Nevada who is employed at the conclusion of a regular session of the Legislature and is eligible at that time pursuant to subsection [11] 2 to transfer to a position [having similar duties and compensation] in the classified service of the State may transfer to such a position on or before November 1 following session notwithstanding the termination of the employee's employment with the Legislative Branch of Government before that date.
- 9. For the purposes of this section, the weekly compensation of [a person] an employee of the Legislative Branch of Government who is paid a daily salary during a legislative session is seven times the daily salary.
 - **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.







THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF AN ASSEMBLY BILL

REQUIRES TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY VOTE (§§ 2, 3)

(Reprinted with amendments adopted on April 15, 2015)
FIRST REPRINT A.B. 32

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 32-COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

(ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES)

PREFILED DECEMBER 20, 2014

Referred to Committee on Taxation

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to special fuels. (BDR 32-382)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State: Yes.

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets fomitted material; is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to special fuels; revising the definition of "special fuel dealer" for the purpose of provisions relating to taxes imposed on special fuels; revising the amount of the tax imposed on the sale or use of liquefied petroleum gas and compressed natural gas; revising provisions governing the conversion of volumetric measurements of liquefied petroleum gas and liquefied natural gas for the purpose of the taxation of the sale or use of liquefied petroleum gas and liquefied natural gas; revising provisions governing the content of certain tax returns filed with the Department of Motor Vehicles by a special fuel dealer or special fuel manufacturer; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Section 1 of this bill revises the definition of "special fuel dealer" for the purposes of imposing taxes on the sale or use of special fuels in this State to specify that the term includes a person who sells liquefied natural gas and delivers such fuel into the tank for the supply of fuel of a motor vehicle that is not owned or controlled by that person. Section 2 of this bill revises the amount of the tax imposed on the sale or use of liquefied petroleum gas and compressed natural gas.

Section 3 of this bill amends the factors for the conversion of volumetric measurements for purposes of taxing the sale or use of liquefied petroleum gas and liquefied natural gas.



THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF AN ASSEMBLY BILL

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Section 4 of this bill provides that the tax returns which must be filed with the Department of Motor Vehicles by a special fuel dealer or special fuel manufacturer must report all quantities of special fuel in gallons.

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

Section 1. NRS 366.062 is hereby amended to read as follows: "Special fuel dealer" means a person who sells compressed natural gas , liquefied natural gas or liquefied petroleum gas and delivers any part thereof into the tank for the supply of fuel of a motor vehicle that is not owned or controlled by that person.

Sec. 2. NRS 366.190 is hereby amended to read as follows:

366.190 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, a tax is hereby imposed at the rate of 27 cents per gallon on the sale or use of special fuels, including, without limitation:

(a) Diesel;

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- (b) Biodiesel;
 - (c) Biodiesel blend;
- (d) Biomass-based diesel;
- (e) Biomass-based diesel blend; and
- (f) Liquefied natural gas.
- A tax is hereby imposed: [at:]
- 18 (a) The rate of 19 cents per gallon on On the sale or use of an emulsion of water-phased hydrocarbon fuel ; at the rate of 19 19 20 cents per gallon;
 - (b) The rate of 22 cents per gallon on On the sale or use of liquefied petroleum gas ; at the rate of 6.4 cents per gallon; and
- (c) [The rate of 21 cents per gallon on] On the sale or use of 23 24 compressed natural gas : at the rate of 21 cents per gallon.

Sec. 3. NRS 366.197 is hereby amended to read as follows:

366.197 For the purpose of taxing the sale or use of:

- Compressed natural gas, 126.67 cubic feet of natural gas or 5.660 pounds of natural gas shall be deemed to equal 1 gallon of special fuel.
- 2. Liquefied petroleum gas, [125] 36.3 cubic feet or 4.2 pounds of [natural gas or] liquefied petroleum gas shall be deemed to equal 1 gallon of special fuel.
- 3. Liquefied natural gas, 6.06 pounds of liquefied natural gas shall be deemed to equal I gallon of special fuel. 35
 - **Sec. 4.** NRS 366.386 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 366.386 1. On or before the last day of the month following each reporting period, a special fuel dealer or special fuel manufacturer shall file with the Department a tax return for the



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preceding reporting period, regardless of the amount of tax collected, on a form prescribed by the Department.

2. The tax return must:

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- (a) Include information required by the Department for the administration and enforcement of this chapter; [and]
 - (b) Report all quantities of special fuel in gallons; and

7 (c) Be accompanied by a remittance, payable to the Department, 8 for the amount of the tax due.

- 3. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the reporting period for a special fuel dealer or special fuel manufacturer is a calendar month. Upon application by a special fuel dealer or special fuel manufacturer, the Department may assign to the special fuel dealer or special fuel manufacturer for a specific calendar year:
- (a) A reporting period consisting of that entire calendar year if the Department estimates, based upon the tax returns filed by the special fuel dealer or special fuel manufacturer for the preceding calendar year, that the special fuel dealer or special fuel manufacturer will sell not more than 200 gallons of special fuel in this State each calendar month of that reporting period.
- (b) Two reporting periods consisting of 6 consecutive calendar months, commencing on the first day of January and July, respectively, if the Department estimates, based upon the tax returns filed by the special fuel dealer or special fuel manufacturer for the preceding calendar year, that the special fuel dealer or special fuel manufacturer will sell more than 200 gallons but not more than 500 gallons of special fuel in this State each calendar month during those reporting periods.
- (c) Four reporting periods consisting of 3 consecutive months, commencing on the first day of January, April, July and October, respectively, if the Department estimates, based upon the tax returns filed by the special fuel dealer or special fuel manufacturer for the preceding calendar year, that the special fuel dealer or special fuel manufacturer will sell more than 500 gallons but less than 5,000 gallons of special fuel in this State each calendar month during those reporting periods.
 - Sec. 5. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2015.

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S.J.R. 3

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 3—COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS

(ON BEHALF OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR)

PREFILED DECEMBER 20, 2014

Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution to provide for the Lieutenant Governor to be elected jointly with the Governor. (BDR C-486)

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.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION—Proposing to amend Section 17 of Article 5 of the Nevada Constitution to provide for the Lieutenant Governor to be elected jointly with the Governor.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

This resolution proposes to amend Section 17 of Article 5 of the Nevada Constitution to provide for the Lieutenant Governor to be elected jointly with the Governor in the manner provided by law so that each qualified elector who votes will cast a single vote for a candidate for Governor and a candidate for Lieutenant Governor running together.

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, JOINTLY, That Section 17 of Article 5 of the Nevada Constitution be amended to read as follows:

[Sec.] Sec. 17. 1. A Lieutenant Governor shall be elected at the same time and places and in the same manner as jointly with the Governor [and his] by each qualified elector who votes casting a single vote for a candidate for Governor and a candidate for Lieutenant Governor running together, as provided by law. The term of Office [,] and [his] eligibility





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1	; of the Lieutenant Governor shall [also] be the same [. He
2	as for the Governor.
3	2. The Lieutenant Governor shall be President of the
4	Senate, but shall only have a casting vote therein.
5	3. If during a Vacancy of the office of Governor, the
6	Lieutenant Governor shall be impeached, displaced, resign
7	die, or become incapable of performing the duties of the
8	office, or be absent from the State, the President pro-tempore
9	of the Senate shall act as Governor until the vacancy be filled
10	or the disability cease.







THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF AN ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION

Assembly Joint Resolution No. 4-Assemblymen Edwards, Armstrong, Oscarson; Dickman, Ellison, Kirner and Ohrenschall

Joint Sponsor: Senator Goicoechea

FILE NUMBER.....

ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION—Urging Congress to enact legislation allowing individual states to establish daylight saving time as the standard time in their respective states throughout the calendar year.

WHEREAS, When Congress enacted The Emergency Daylight Saving Time Energy Conservation Act of 1973 (Pub. L. No. 93-182, 87 Stat. 707), it included in its findings and declarations of policy that "various studies of governmental and nongovernmental agencies indicate that year-round daylight saving time would produce an energy saving in electrical power consumption"; and

WHEREAS, Congress also found and declared that "the use of year-round daylight saving time could have other beneficial effects on the public interest, including the reduction of crime, improved traffic safety, more daylight outdoor playtime for children and youth of our Nation, [and] greater utilization of parks and recreation areas"; and

WHEREAS, Congress also found and declared that the use of year-round daylight saving time could result in "expanded economic opportunity through extension of daylight hours to peak shopping hours and through extension of domestic office hours to periods of greater overlap with the European Economic Community"; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY AND SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, JOINTLY, That the Nevada Legislature urges the members of Congress to enact appropriate legislation to give individual states the option of establishing daylight saving time as the standard time in their respective states throughout the calendar year; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly 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.



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S.C.R. 1

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1–COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS

FEBRUARY 5, 2015

Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Directs the Legislative Commission to create an interim study concerning the professional development of teachers and administrators. (BDR R-406)

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets formitted material; is material to be omitted.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Directing the Legislative Commission to appoint a committee to conduct an interim study concerning the professional development of teachers and administrators.

WHEREAS, Professional development programs provide teachers and administrators with an opportunity to gain and improve knowledge and skills important to their positions and job performance; and

WHEREAS, Appropriate training is necessary to ensure the quality of teachers and administrators in this State; and

WHEREAS, An evaluation of professional development would identify areas in which professional development can be improved; and

WHEREAS, Improvement of professional development for teachers and administrators would improve the quality of education provided to pupils in this State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the Legislative Commission is hereby directed to appoint, as soon as practicable after July 1, 2015, a committee composed of three members of the Senate and three members of the Assembly, one of whom must be appointed as Chair of the committee, to conduct an interim study concerning the professional development of teachers and school administrators in this State; and be it further



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RESOLVED, That this interim study must include, without limitation:

- 1. An examination of the cost of professional development for teachers and school administrators in this State and the use and availability of regional training programs created pursuant to NRS 391.512;
- 2. An analysis of any federal funding available for the professional development of teachers and school administrators in this State:
 - 3. Consideration of:

- (a) The effectiveness of the manner in which professional development is delivered to teachers and administrators in this State;
- (b) The standards and quality of professional development provided to teachers and school administrators in this State; and
- (c) The effectiveness of the programs for professional development provided to teachers and school administrators in this State; and
- 4. A determination of the manner in which professional development for teachers and school administrators improves the achievement of pupils in this State; and be it further

RESOLVED, That any recommended legislation proposed by the committee must be approved by a majority of the members of the Senate and a majority of the members of the Assembly appointed to the committee; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Legislative Commission shall submit a report of the results of the study and any recommendations for legislation to the 79th Session of the Nevada Legislature; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to the Governor and the Superintendent of Public Instruction.







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Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 3-Assemblymen Elliot Anderson. Kirkpatrick, Hambrick, Paul Anderson. Adams; Bustamante Arauio. Armstrong. Benitez-Thompson, Carlton, Carrillo, Diaz, Dickman, Dooling, Edwards, Ellison, Fiore, Flores, Gardner, Hansen, Hickey, Joiner, Jones, Kirner, Moore, Munford, Neal, Nelson, Ohrenschall, O'Neill, Oscarson, Seaman, Silberkraus, Spiegel, Sprinkle, Stewart, Swank, Thompson, Titus, Trowbridge, Wheeler and Woodbury

Joint Sponsors: Senators Spearman, Ford, Roberson, Brower, Woodhouse; Atkinson, Denis, Farley, Goicoechea, Gustavson, Hammond, Hardy, Harris, Kieckhefer, Kihuen, Lipparelli, Manendo, Parks, Segerblom, Settelmeyer and Smith

FILE NUMBER.....

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Honoring Nevadans who have lost their lives in the Global War on Terrorism

WHEREAS, Since the launching of the Global War on Terrorism in response to attacks on the United States on September 11, 2001, through Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation New Dawn, Operation Inherent Resolve and Operation Freedom's Sentinel, 6,832 Americans have lost their lives, including 56 Nevadans; and

WHEREAS, The service of these men and women required sacrifice, hardship, endurance, dedication, courage and the highest level of patriotism; and

WHEREAS, Those Nevada citizens who served our country in the name of freedom and justice deserve special recognition for their sacrifices; and

WHEREAS, While the members of the Armed Forces of the United States, including the members of Nevada's National Guard, continue to risk their lives and protect the interests of our country, the State of Nevada has not lost one of its own since January 2012; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we must continue to honor every American who served and those who are still serving, and extend our heartfelt condolences to the Nevada friends and family members of those who made the ultimate sacrifice; and be it further



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RESOLVED, That while we are grateful that no more Nevadans have been lost to the Global War on Terrorism, we continue to honor the fifty-six Nevadans who we have recognized in previous legislative sessions; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we pause to reflect on the supreme sacrifice of the fifty-six Nevadans who have given their lives in the pursuit of freedom as well as those who continue to serve our country in the name of freedom; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to Kat Miller, Director of the Department of Veterans Services, and additional copies of this resolution to Kat Miller for provision to Nevada's veterans services organizations in recognition of their commitment to the men and women who served, and continue to serve, in the Armed Forces of the United States.

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Senate Resolution No. 8–Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

FILE NUMBER.....

SENATE RESOLUTION—Designating certain members of the Senate as regular and alternate members of the Legislative Commission for the 2015-2017 biennium.

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, That, pursuant to the provisions of NRS 218E.150 and the Joint Standing Rules of the Legislature, Senators Michael Roberson, James A. Settelmeyer, Ben Kieckhefer, Aaron D. Ford, Kelvin Atkinson and Moises Denis are designated as the regular Senate members of the Legislative Commission; and be it further

RESOLVED, That Senators Joseph P. Hardy and Patricia Farley are designated as the first and second alternate members, respectively, for Senator Michael Roberson; Senators Pete Goicoechea and Donald G. Gustavson are designated as the first and second alternate members, respectively, for Senator James A. Settelmeyer; Senators Becky Harris and Greg Brower are designated as the first and second alternate members, respectively, for Senator Ben Kieckhefer; Senators Joyce Woodhouse and David R. Parks are designated as the first and second alternate members, respectively, for Senator Aaron D. Ford; Senators Tick Segerblom and Pat Spearman are designated as the first and second alternate members, respectively, for Senator Kelvin Atkinson; and Senators Mark A. Manendo and Debbie Smith are designated as the first and second alternate members, respectively, for Senator Moises Denis; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the procedure for requesting an alternate member to replace a regular member during his or her 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



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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 or she had on the appropriate list at the time he or she 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 on the appropriate list to those alternate members who have higher numerical designations on 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 or she had on the appropriate list at the time of the request.

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ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION NO. 2–COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS

FEBRUARY 2, 2015

Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Provides for the appointment of Assembly attaches. (BDR R-946)

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new: matter between brackets formitted materiall is material to be omitted.

ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION—Providing for the appointment of Assembly attaches.

RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, That 2 the following persons are elected as attaches of the Assembly for the 78th Session of the Legislature of the State of Nevada: Carol Aiello-

Sala, Lucinda Benjamin, Jason P. Hataway, Christie Peters, Michele Burke, Susan Hoffman, Robin L. Bates, Sharon Murphy, Mary A.

Matheus, Judy Doherty, Bob Guernsey, Dennis Humphrey, Vickie Kieffer, Nicole Madden, Jennifer D. Osheroff, Marge Griffin,

8 Patricia A. Manning, Jasmine Shackley, Sally Stoner, Sheree

Rosevear, Craig Hulse, Geoffrey Lawrence, Daniel Stewart, Betty

Jo Vonderheide, Celssie Hardy, Cindy Southerland, Jean Kvam, Sylvia Brown, Joann Saridakis, Barbara Eiche, Bambi Wood, 10

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Norma Mallett, Linda Corbett, Mary Lee, Linda Law, Christina Salerno, Deborah Paul, Sara Menke, Stephen Wood, Patricia 13

Demsky, Bonnie Borda Hoffecker, Leslie Danihel, Judith Bishop,

Patricia Adams, Linda Blevins, Anne Bowen, Karen Daly, Sherie 15

16 Silva, Carol J. Thomsen, Barbara Williams, Janice Wright, Cynthia

Wyett, Ted Zuend, Erin Barlow, Aubrie Bates, Karen Buck, Lenore 17

18 Cafora-Nye, Nancy Davis, Gina Hall, Patricia Hartman, Janet Jones,

Sharon McCallen, Lori McCleary, Earlene Miller, Jordan Neubauer, 19 Donna Ruiz, Jennifer Russell, Connie J. Smith, Henri Stone, Joan 20

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Waldock, Karyn Werner, Nancy Weyhe, Linda Whimple, Mary Bean, Tracy Davis, Sylvia Dominguez-Curry, Linda Fitzgerald, Patti Flasch, Cynthia Hernandez, Patricia Hutson, Kaylyn Kardavani, Annie King, Jacque Lethbridge, Dale Ann Luzzi, Judy Molnar, Divya Nanda, Joseph Nigrage, Jacqueller, Org. K. II. 23

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- Osborne, Jenny Polek, Thelma Reindollar, Mayita Sanchez, Genet 1
- Sauer, Mark Sprinkle, Janet Stokes, Susan Sutton, Tracy Walters,
- Linda Waters, Amerika Young, Elise Sala, Roberto Lusanta Jr.,
- Olivia M. Lloyd, Trinity Thom, Jamie Tierney, Cheryl Williams, Cindie Kusko, Dakota Fisher, Harle Glover, Carl Henry, Diane 5
- Hudson, David E. Moore, Marcia Peterson, Karla Reed, Elizabeth
- Saenz and Susan Schmid.



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BDR 43-994 AB 217

EXECUTIVE AGENCY FISCAL NOTE

AGENCY'S ESTIMATES

Date Prepared: March 9, 2015

Agency Submitting: Department of Motor Vehicles, Management Services and Programs Division

Items of Revenue or Expense, or Both		Fiscal Year 2014-15	Fiscal Year 2015-16	Fiscal Year 2016-17	Effect on Future Biennia
Regulations (Expense)			\$2,240		
Contract Programming (Expense)			\$73,000		
Loss to OHV Commission (Revenue)			(\$739,356)	(\$761,912)	(\$1,523,824)
Reduction for DMV (Revenue)			(\$151,788)	(\$155,769)	(\$311,538)
	Total	0	(\$966,384)	(\$917,681)	(\$1,835,362)

Explanation

(Use Additional Sheets of Attachments, if required)

BDR 43-994 revises provisions relating to off-highway vehicles (OHVs). Specifically, Section 5 eliminates the requirement for smaller OHVs to be registered, but maintains the option to title OHVs. Voluntary registration for large all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) is retained and conforming changes are made to all impacted NRS sections. Section 3 would authorize the OHV Commission to solicit and accept gifts, grants and donations. The BDR would become effective on July 1, 2015.

The OHV program is self-funded within the Department so elimination of the requirement for smaller OHVs to register and making participation for larger ATVs optional reduces the need for funding the program within the Department. Existing staff would be reassigned to other duties and there would be minimal involvement by DMV personnel with processing only larger ATV transactions. Staff would be cost allocated to process registrations and titles based on the potential residual amount of revenues coming in from larger ATV's. Registrations and renewals would continue to be processed through mail-in and online processes, with mailings and issuance of documentation processed by the

Due to the Department's existing programming priorities and mandates, the proposed implementation date of 7/01/2015 cannot be met using existing resources. As such, funding for a computer systems Master Service Agreement programmer(s) is included in this fiscal note, estimated at a total of 730 hours at \$100 an hour, for a total amount of \$73.000.

	Name Title	Cyndie Munoz	
		Deputy Chief of Administration	
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION'S COMMENTS	Date	Monday, March 09, 2015	
The agency's response appears reasonable.			
	Name	James R. Wells	
	Title	Interim Director	

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BDR /Bill/ Amendment #: 43-994/AB 217 Agency Name: Department of Motor Vehicles
Division Name: Management Services & Programs Date: 3/3/15

Summary of Totals					
Category	FY 14/15 (Based on FY14 Actuals)	FY 15/16	FY 16/17	Future Biennia (FY18 + FY19)	
Regulations Cost		\$2,240	\$0	\$0	
Loss to OHV Commission		\$739,356	\$761,912	\$1,523,824	
Reduction for DMV		\$151,788	\$155,769	\$311,538	
Contract Programmer Hours		\$73,000	\$0	\$0	
Totals	\$ -	\$ 966,384	\$ 917,681	\$ 1,835,362	

Cost to Program the CARRS Application				
Title	Hourly Wage		Programming Hours	Programming Cost FY15
Contract Programmer Cost		\$100.00	730	\$73,000

APPENDIX E LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL BUREAU BULLETINS

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL BUREAU BULLETINS

Bulletin

Number	Title
1	A Survey of the Functions of the Offices, Departments, Institutions, and Agencies of the State of Nevada and What They Cost (1947).
2	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
7	(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	Analysis of Appropriations Made by Nevada Legislature 1951 Session (1951).
15	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 21	Report of the Nevada Legislative Counsel Bureau (1953). 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
20	(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).
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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	The Nevada School of Industry: An Appraisal (1958).
35	The Beneficial Use of Water in Nevada (1959).
36 37	Survey of Fish and Game Problems in Nevada (1959). A Study of Administrative Law; Administrative Rule Making; the Conduct of
38	Administrative Hearings and the Judicial Review Thereof (1958). 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).

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41	A Study of State Bonding and Insurance Problems (1960).
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 Fund Activities Fiscal Year 1960-1961 (1961).
50	Report of the Legislative Auditor 1960-1961 (1961).
51	Restoration and Preservation of Nevada's Historic Cemeteries (1962).
52	Rehabilitation of Sex Offenders in Nevada: An Evaluation (1962).
53	Incidental Charges to the Purchasers of Dwellings (Under FHA and VA Insured or 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 (1963).
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74	Nevada's Court Structure (1968).
75	Legislative Techniques (1969).
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78	Public Printing in Nevada (1969).
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80	Retention (1969). 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	Annual Report and Audit Reports of Departments and Agencies of the State of Nevada (1969-1970).
88	County Courts for Nevada (1970).
89	Legislative Manual, State of Nevada (1971).
90	A 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 96	Highway Safety Standards and Motor Vehicle Carriers: A Continuation Study (1970). Nevada's Community Property Laws (1970).
90 97	State-Supported Radio 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 (1970-1971).
100	Twenty-Ninth Annual Report: Office of Fiscal Analyst (1972).
101	Facilities for Juvenile Offenders (1972).
102	Legislative Printing: Requirements and Costs (1972).
103	Legislative Manual, State of Nevada (1973).
104	Nevada Industrial Commission Study (1972).
105	Continuation Study of Nevada Municipal Government (1972).
106	Subdivision Planning and Zoning (1972).
107	Conflicts of Interest (1972).
108	State Welfare Laws (1972).
109	Continuation Study of Highway Safety Standards and Motor Vehicle Laws (1972).
110	Senior Citizens Tax Relief Study (1972).
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112	Legislative Rules Study (1972).
113	Nevada Probate Statutes (1974).
114	Counsel Bureau Organization and Legislative Procedures (1974). Consolidation of State and Local Welfare Programs (1974).
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117	Mental Health Care Facilities and Programs: Interim Report (1974).
118	Unincorporated Town Governments (1974).
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121	Financial Condition of Public Housing Authorities (1974).

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13-14	Legislative Committee on Education (NRS 218E.605).
13-15	Legislative Committee on Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice (NRS 218E.705).
13-16	Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults With Special Needs (NRS 218.E.750).
13-17	Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission (NRS 232B.210).
13-18	Legislative Committee on Health Care (NRS 439B.200).
13-19	Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste (NRS 459.0085).
13-20	Commission on Special License Plates (NRS 482.367004).
15-1	Nevada Legislative Manual (2015).
15-2	Summary Bulletin of Reports of the Legislative Commission to the 78th Session of the Nevada Legislature.
15-3	Impact of Technology Upon Gaming (A.B. 360, Section 15).
15-4	Community Colleges (S.B. 391).
15-5	Task Force on K-12 Public Education Funding (S.B. 500).
15-6	Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice (NRS 176.0123).
15-7	Public Lands (NRS 218E.510).
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17-3	Subcommittee to Conduct a Study of Postacute Care (A.B. 242).
•17-4	Advisory Committee to Develop a Plan to Reorganize the Clark County School
•	District (A.B. 394, Sec. 25).

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Bulletin	
Number	Title
17-5	Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice (NRS 176.0123).
17-6	Regionalizing the Mental Health System in Nevada: Considerations and Policy Options (NRS 218E.200)
17-7	Legislative Commission's Subcommittee to Study Water (NRS 218E.200).
17-8	Legislative Committee on Public Lands (NRS 218E.510).
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•	Not published.
†	Bulletin numbering system was changed for 1977 Legislative Session.

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	nroposed law or resolution. The ending of a legislative day; regular adjournment sets the date for the next meeting.
Agenda	A public notice document generated and posted by each committee listing bills to be considered
Amend	by the committee on a given date and time. To alter formally by modification, deletion, or
Amendment	addition. The document that reflects the proposed change (modify by adding, deleting, or changing) to a
Apportionment	bill. A division of the State into districts from which members of the Legislature are elected.
Appropriation	A legislative grant of money for a specific
Assembly	purposeOne of the chambers in a bicameral legislature; some states use the name "House of
Attaché	Representatives." A Legislative assistant, clerk, or other staff who is appointed to his or her position via a one-house
Bar of the Assembly	resolution. The dividing line between the floor of the Assembly chamber and the public area.
Bicameral legislature	A two-house legislature.
Biennial	Occurring every two years; applied to the scheduled regular session of the Legislature.
Bill	A draft of a proposed law presented for enactment.
Bill draft request	(BDR) A bill draft request submitted to the Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB) by a legislator, a legislative committee, an executive agency, a member of the judiciary, a local government, or other selected entities, and assigned a two-part number; the first part, the title number of <i>Nevada Revised Statutes</i> (NRS), the second part, a unique sequence number for a session.
Boilerplate	Standard bill drafting language common to various subjects and designed to maintain the
Budget	legal consistency of the language of NRS Estimate of the receipts and expenditures needed
By request	to carry out programs for a fiscal period Introduction of a measure by a legislator on behalf of another 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 interest group,
	county, or group of counties.
Chief Clerk of the Assembly	
	to serve as the administrative officer and
	parliamentarian of the Assembly.
Closing budgets	The process whereby final action is taken by the
	money committees on individual budgets.
Committee of the Whole	A committee comprised of the entire membership
	of the house usually convened to informally
	consider proposed legislation.
Concur	Agree to an amendment on a bill or resolution
	adopted by the other house.
Conference committee	A joint meeting of selected members from each
	of the two houses whose function is to arrive at a
	single version of a bill that has passed both houses
C 1 1	in a different form.
Consent calendar	A list of noncontroversial bills that are voted on as
	a single roll call vote instead of separate roll call
Constitution	votes on individual bills. The written instrument agreed upon by the people
Constitution	of the United States, or of a particular state, as
	the absolute rule of action and decision for the
	government.
Daily File	List or docket of bills awaiting action.
	The preparation of a bill or joint resolution
Engrossment	for third reading and concurrent resolutions
	for adoption by incorporating all amendments
	adopted, and proofreading.
Enrollment.	
	enactment by both houses.
Executive Budget	Program of expected revenues and proposed
	expenditures comparing current, future, and past
	completed years for existing programs, and
	projecting revenues and expenditures of new
	programs for future years. The Executive Budget
	is proposed by the Governor and the Chief of
	the Budget Division of the Governor's Office
	of Finance.
Exemption	A designation made by the Fiscal Analysis
-	Division of the LCB indicating that a bill is not
	subject to the introduction or passage deadlines
	for processing bills due to the bill's impact on the
	Executive Budget.

Ex officio	Holding two offices; holding another office by virtue of or because of the holding of the first office.
ExpungeFirst Reading	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 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	The chamber of either house while measures are
	being formally considered for legislative action. Also, recognition by the Chair or presiding officer
	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.
Floor session	The part of a legislator's work day that takes place when the full Senate or Assembly meets in its
General Appropriations Act	chamber to conduct business. An omnibus act appropriating funds for
General Appropriations Act	government departments or programs, usually from the State General Fund.
General Authorizations Act	An omnibus act authorizing and limiting, except under certain conditions, the expenditure of special or dedicated revenues for government departments and programs.
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 enactment of new legislation.
Hearing	A session of a legislative committee at which witnesses present testimony on matters under consideration by the committee.
History	A cumulative list of actions on all measures in the houses.
	Either of the chambers in a bicameral legislature A formal accusation against a public official by the Assembly. After the Assembly has impeached, the Senate tries the official.

	.(IP) A procedure that enables a specified number of voters to propose, by petition, a law 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. A body composed of members of the Senate Committee on Finance and the Assembly Committee on Ways and Means who served during the preceeding session that administers a contingency fund, reviews State agency requests to accept certain gifts and grants, modifies legislatively approved budgets, and reclassifies State merit system positions when the Legislature
Introduction	is not in session. The initial presentation of a bill or resolution for
Joint committee	consideration by a house. A committee comprised of one standing committee of the Senate and one standing committee of the
Joint session	Assembly for joint consideration of measures. A floor session in which both houses participate for the specific purpose of hearing a presentation by a congressional representative, a Nevada continuing of floor are indicated purpose at the continuing of the contin
	constitutional officer, or a judicial representative. 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 overridden by a two-thirds vote of each house.
Leadership	Includes the presiding officers of both houses (President of the Senate and President Pro Tempore; Speaker of the Assembly and Speaker Pro Tempore) and the floor leaders of both houses (Majority and Minority Leaders, Assistant Majority Leaders, and Assistant Minority Leaders).
Legislative Commission	A body consisting of 12 legislators (6 from each house) that exercises general policy-making and supervising authority over the operations of the LCB.
Legislative Counsel Bureau	.(LCB) A nonpartisan, centralized agency that serves both houses and all legislators.
Legislative day	. Each day that the houses actually convene. These do not necessarily coincide in number with calendar days.
Legislative rules	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 legislation.

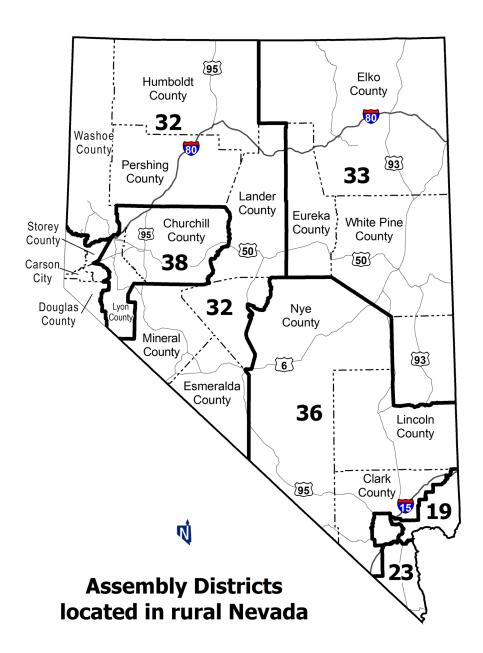
Majority Leader (or Majority Floor Leader)	A member of either house chosen by the members of the majority party in the Senate and the
	Speaker of the Assembly as the majority party spokesperson.
Minority Leader	spensop room.
	A member of either house chosen by the members of the minority party in that house as the minority
	party spokesperson.
Money committees	The committees in each house that hear all
	appropriations requests and recommend the
	appropriations bills; specifically, the Senate
	Standing Committee on Finance and the
	Assembly Standing Committee on Ways and Means.
Motion	A statement by a legislator proposing action to be
Widdon	taken by the body.
Nevada Administrative Code	(NAC) The compilation of all effective, permanent
	regulations adopted by Nevada state agencies,
	except those of certain exempted agencies, after
	review by the Legislative Commission.
Nevada Revised Statutes	
	nature enacted by the Legislature, with such law
	arranged in an orderly manner by subject, and
D 11	updated after every regular legislative session.
Preamble	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
resident of the Senate	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
	the proceedings of the body.
Quorum	The number of members of a house or of a
	committee that must be present for the body to conduct official business.
Recall	Requesting the return of a measure from the
Recail	Governor or the other house by a resolution.
Recede	Withdraw from an amendment in which the other
	house refused to concur.
Recess	An interruption in a meeting when the meeting
	will continue at a later time in the same day.
	The time to reconvene may be at the "call of the
D 11	chair" or time specific.
Kedistricting	The division of existing districts into new districts
Dada	with different boundaries.
Keu0	The redrafting of a bill by the LCB prior to its introduction.
	mu oduction.

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	The 120-day 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 may authorize 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
Dall and	to the U.S. Constitution.
Roll call	. Recording of the presence of members or a tally by individual votes on a bill or joint resolution.
Second Reading	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	A person elected by members of the Senate to serve as the administraive officer and parliamentarian of the Senate.
Select committee	. A temporary committee (for the duration of the session) appointed for a specific purpose. The Senate Select Committee on Economic Growth and Employment in the 2011 Session is an example.
Senate	One of the chambers in a bicameral legislature. Length of legislative service. Seniority is often used to assign committee positions and political rank.
Session	The period during which the Nevada Legislature convenes to consider possible legislation and State budgets.

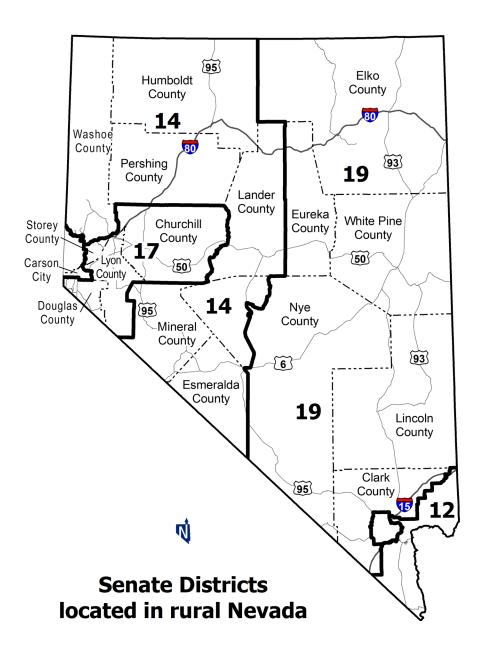
Session staff	Legislative assistants, clerks, and other staff who are appointed to their positions via a one-house
Sine die	resolution Final adjournment of a legislative session. (See "Adjournment.") Adjournment sine die literally means "adjournment without a day"; it marks the end of the legislative session, since it does not set a time for reconvening.
	The presiding officer of the Assembly A member of the Assembly chosen by the Assembly to preside in the absence of the Speaker.
Special law	A law of local or limited application.
Special session	of the Governor or the Legislature and restricted to the subjects stated in the Governor's call or the Legislature's petition.
Sponsor	The legislator(s), legislative committee, or entity requesting that a bill or resolution be drafted.
Standing committee	A committee of either the Senate or Assembly that is created by legislative rule and is responsible for
Statute	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
Third Reading	bill or resolution 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	
	Governor's formal disapproval of a bill A member appointed by his or her political party to act as a liaison between the party leaders and members to enforce party discipline, secure attendance at sessions, and assist in managing the party's legislative program in the chamber.

APPENDIX G LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT MAPS

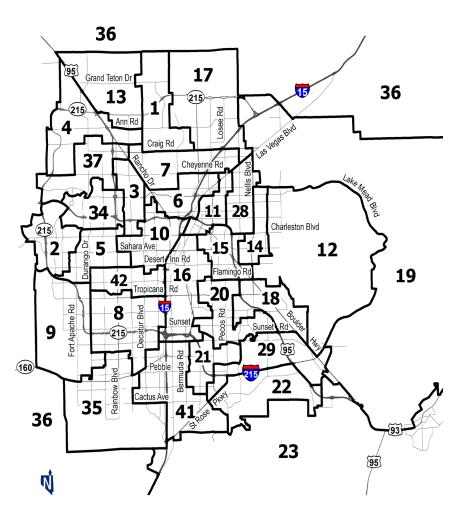
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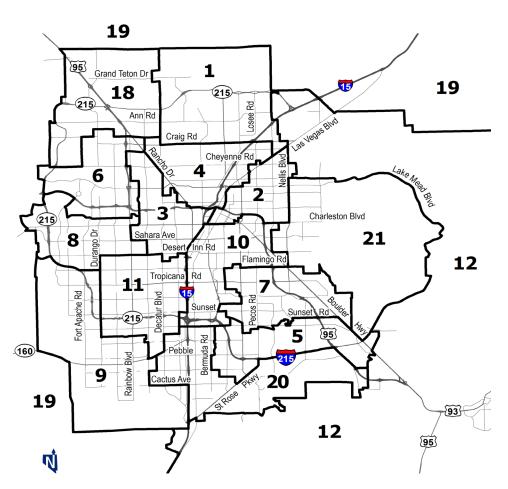


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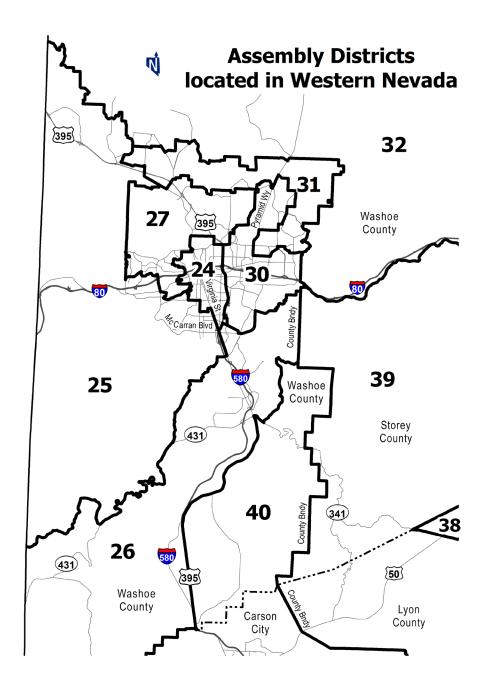
Assembly Districts located in Clark County

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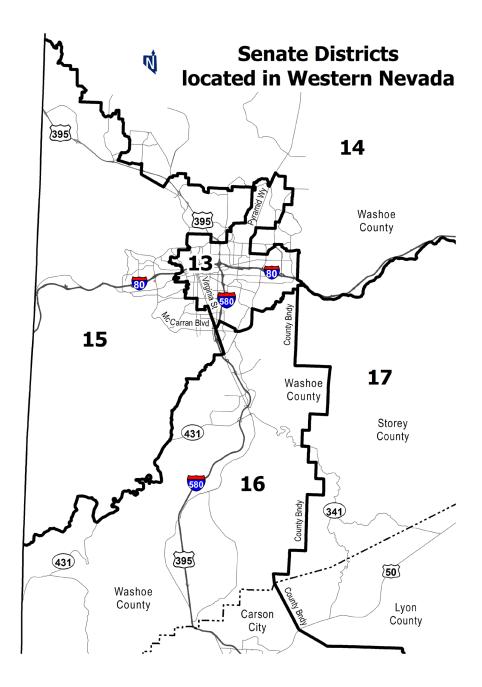


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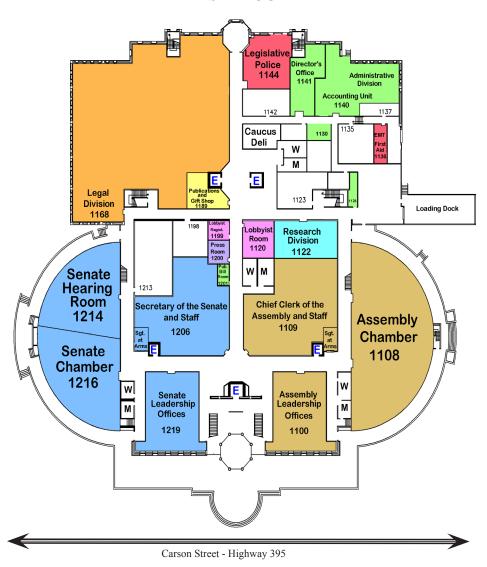


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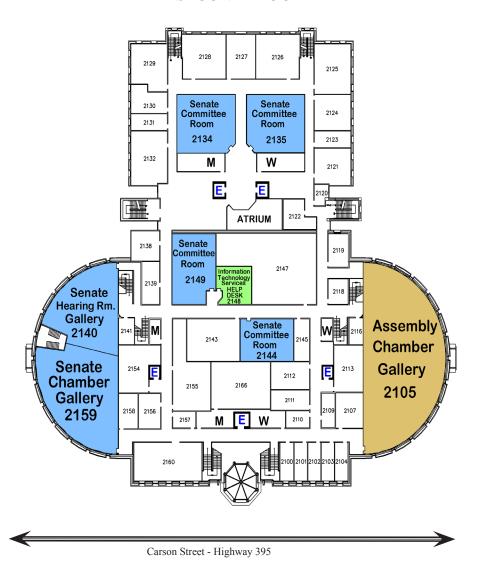


APPENDIX H BUILDING MAPS

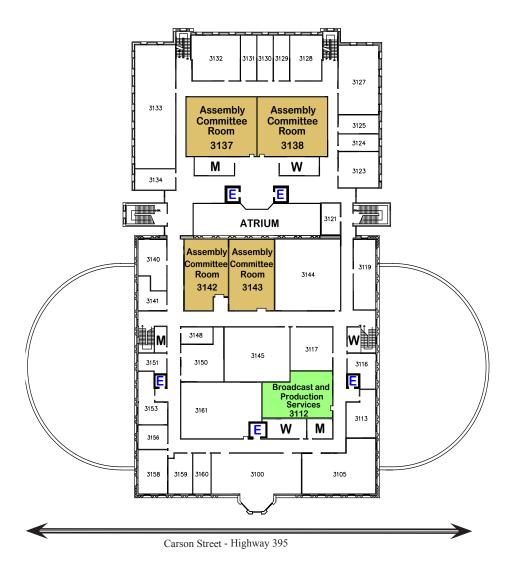
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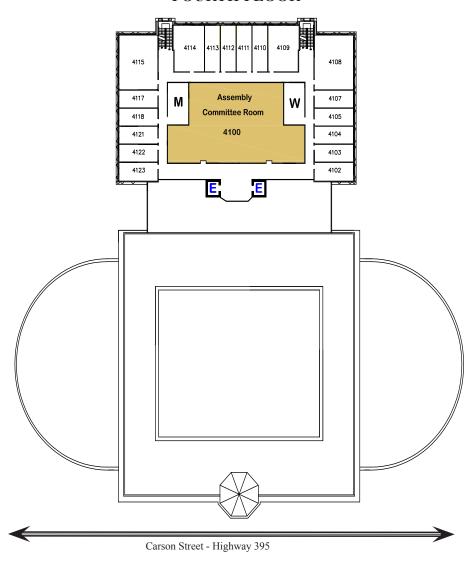
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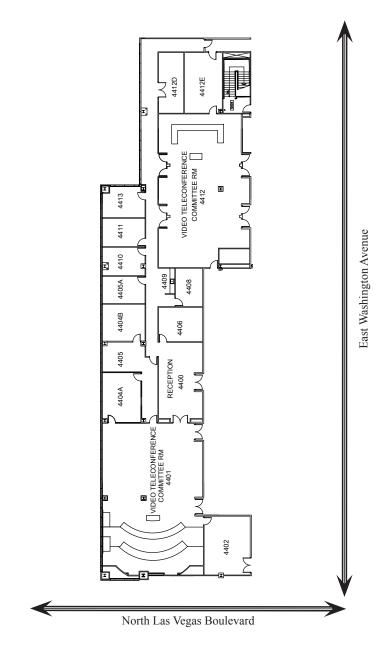
THIRD FLOOR



FOURTH FLOOR



GRANT SAWYER STATE OFFICE BUILDING NEVADA LEGISLATURE—FOURTH FLOOR



APPENDIX I STATE AGENCY MAP

Carson City, Nevada Location of State Agencies and Prominent Buildings

C **Prominent Buildings*** Location Number Location Number Address on Map Agency Name **Address** on Map on Map **Agency Name** on Map 22-AA 22-AA Library and Archives Bldg. Nevada DMV 100 N. Stewart St. Attorney General's Office 100 N. Carson St. 8 48 22-AA Blasdel Bldg. 209 E. Musser St. 555 Wright Wy. 3-B Bryan Bldg. 901 S. Stewart St. 45 2-B Nevada State Museum 600 N. Carson St. 11-AA 62 61 64 50 29 12 3-A 1-A Carson City Courthouse 885 E. Musser St. 22-BB Nevada State Railroad Museum 2180 S. Carson St. Carson City Hall Carson City Library Public Employees' Retirement Sys. 693 W. Nye Ln. 201 N. Carson St. 22-AA 395 580 900 N. Roop St. 11-BB Sedway (Legislative) Office Bldg. 333 E. Fifth St. 22-AA 63 70 68 Carson City Sheriff's Dept. 911 E. Musser St. State Capitol 101 N. Carson St. 1 60 22-AA Carson Tahoe Regional Medical Cntr Chamber of Comm., Carson City edica/ 70 ◆ 1600 Medical Pkwy. 1-A Stewart Facility 5500 Snyder Ave. 4-B 201 S. Carson St. 3 22-AA 1900 S. Carson St. Supreme Court Bldg. 3-A Children's Museum of Northern NV 813 N. Carson St. United States Forest Service Office, 1536 S. Carson St. 69 3-A Federal Bldg. Governor's Mansion 311 E. Washington St. 606 N. Mountain St. 65 27 23 Carson Ranger District United States Post Office 11-AA 1111 S. Roop St. 3-B 2-A alley Golf Laxalt (Tourism) Bldg. 401 N. Carson St. Western Nevada College 2201 W. College Pkwy. 32 Course Legislative Bldg. 401 S. Carson St. 22-AA *Federal and other nonstate buildings are identified with a diamond • on the ma Silver Odf Or See accompanying tables for full reference key to State Agencies. arson City Silver Oak Golf Club rial Way Gold Hill D Apollo Dr W College ch Way E Nye Ln Bu Sherman Ln Tiger D W-Winnie Ln Cemetery Beverly Dr Woodside Dr W Long St E Long St 2 Park Quinn Do 580 W Washingt 27 ★ See 395 Butti Way Inset Ranch Park Hells Bells Rd Kings Canyon Rd W King 50 Map W 5th E5th St Marsh Little Ln **♦**67 395 Industrial Park Dr AA BB Colorado St 3 W William St E William St US-50 E Bak W Sophia St Mills Sonoma St Park Loop seano E Washington SV Park E Caroline St Palo Verde D Kings St W Spear St 250 395 Koont W Telegraph St ŏ 61 E Proctor Bigel E Overland St E Appion Way E Roland St W 6th St S Ruth 4 W 7th St E 7th St [50] 395 **★**58 Legislative Counsel Bureau, GIS Topsy January 2017

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Administration, Department of	515 E. Musser St., Ste. 300	17	22-BB	Forestry, Division of	2478 Fairview Dr.		3-C
Administrative Division	Legislative Bldg., 401 S. Carson St.	2	22-AA	Gaming Control Board, Nevada	1919 E. College Pkwy.	39	1-B
(Legislative Counsel Bureau [LCB])				Governor, Office of the	State Capitol, 101 N. Carson St., Ste. 1	1	22-AA
Administrative Office of the Courts (Supreme Court)	Supreme Court Bldg., 201 S. Carson St., Ste. 250	3	22-AA	Governor's Mansion	606 N. Mountain St.	27	2-A
Administrative Services Division (Administration)	Blasdel Bldg., 209 E. Musser St., Ste. 304	7	22-AA	Grant Procurement, Coordination and Management, Office of	406 E. Second St., Flr. 1	10	22-BB
Aging and Disability Services Division	3416 Goni Rd., Bldg. D, Ste. 132	41	1-B	Health and Human Services, Department of	4126 Technology Wy., Ste. 100	42	1-C
Arts Council, Nevada	716 N. Carson St., Ste. A	26	11-AA	Health Care Financing and Policy,	1100 E. William St., Ste. 101	21	11-BB
Attorney for Injured Workers, Office of the Nevada	1000 E. William St., Ste. 208	21	11-BB	Division of	1050 E. William St., Ste. 400	22	11-BB
Attorney General, Office of the	100 N. Carson St.	4	22-AA	Hearings Division (Administration) Historic Preservation, Office of		45	2-B
Audit Division (LCB)	Sedway Office Bldg.,	12	22-AA		901 S. Stewart St., Ste. 5004		2-B 1-B
	333 E. Fifth St., Flr. 2			Housing Division Human Resource Management,	1830 E. College Pkwy., Ste. 200 Blasdel Bldg., 209 E. Musser St.,	37 7	1-Б 22-АА
Budget Division (Governor)	Blasdel Bldg., 209 E. Musser St., Ste. 200	7	22-AA	Division of	Ste. 101	/	ZZ-AA
Business and Industry, Department of	1830 E. College Pkwy., Ste. 100	37	1-B	Industrial Relations, Division of	400 W. King St., Ste. 400	6	22-AA
Capitol Police Division	State Capitol, 101 N. Carson St.	1	22-AA	Insurance, Division of	1818 E. College Pkwy., Ste. 103	38	1-B
Central Mailing Room (Administration)	720 E. Fifth St.	14	22-BB	Internal Audits, Division of	Blasdel Bldg., 209 E. Musser St., Ste. 302	7	22-AA
Child and Family Services, Division of	4126 Technology Wy., Flr. 3	42	1-C	Investigation Division (Public Safety)	555 Wright Wy.	49	3-B
Commercial Recordings Division	Secretary of State Annex, 202 N. Carson St.	5	22-AA	Labor Commissioner, Office of	1818 E. College Pkwy., Ste. 102	38	1-B
Conservation and Natural Resources, State Department of	901 S. Stewart St., Ste. 1003	45	2-B	Law Library (Supreme Court)	Supreme Court Bldg., 201 S. Carson St., Ste. 100	3	22-AA
Conservation Districts Program	901 S. Stewart St., Ste. 1003	45	2-B	Legal Division (LCB)	Legislative Bldg., 401 S. Carson St., Flr. 1	2	22-AA
Consumer Protection, Bureau of	100 N. Carson St.	4	22-AA	Legislative Counsel Bureau	Legislative Bldg., 401 S. Carson St.	2	22-AA
(Attorney General) Controller, Office of the State	State Capitol, 101 N. Carson St., Ste. 5	1	22-AA	Library, Archives and Public Records Division of State	100 N. Stewart St.	8	22-AA
Corrections, Department of	Stewart Conservation Camp, 5500 Snyder Ave., Bldg. 17	57	4-B	Lieutenant Governor, Office of the	State Capitol, 101 N. Carson St., Ste. 2	1	22-AA
Deferred Compensation	100 N. Stewart St., Ste. 100	8	22-AA	Manufactured Housing Division	1830 E. College Pkwy., Ste. 120	37	1-B
for State Employees, Committee on				Medicaid Services, Carson City District Office	1100 E. William St., Ste. 102	21	11-BB
Economic Development, Office of	808 W. Nye Ln.	31	1-A	Military, Office of the	2460 Fairview Dr.	54	3-C
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Emergency Management, Division of Employment Security Division,	500 E. Third St.	16	3-C 22-BB	Minerals, Division of	400 W. King St., Ste. 106	6	22-AA
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Environmental Protection, Division of	901 S. Stewart St., Ste. 4001	45	2-B	Natural Heritage Program, Nevada	901 S. Stewart St., Ste. 5002	45	2-B
Ethics, Commission on	704 W. Nye Ln., Ste. 204	30	1-A	Nevada Highway Patrol	555 Wright Wy.	49	3-B
Finance, Office of	Blasdel Bldg., 209 E. Musser St.,	7	22-AA	Nevada Magazine	401 N. Carson St.	23	11-AA
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Financial Institutions, Division of Fire Marshal Division, State	1830 E. College Pkwy., Ste. 100	37 55	1-B	Nuclear Projects, Agency for	1761 E. College Pkwy., Ste. 118	40	1-B
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Fleet Services Division	750 E. King St.	18	22-BB				_

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