

**Legislative Committee on
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The following “Work Session Document” was prepared by the staff of the Legislative Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste and is designed as an outline to assist the Committee members in making decisions concerning recommendations to be forwarded to the Legislative Commission and ultimately to the 2011 Session of the Nevada Legislature. The recommendations contained herein were either submitted in writing to the Committee and/or staff, or presented during one of the Committee’s meetings.

The possible actions identified in this document are in no particular order and should not be construed as having the support of the Committee or its individual members. Rather, they are compiled so the members may review and discuss them during the work session to decide if they should be adopted, changed, rejected, or further considered.

To be adopted, recommendations from the Committee must be approved by a majority of the Senate members and a majority of the Assembly members.

In accordance with *Nevada Revised Statutes 218D.160*, the Committee may recommend no more than ten bill draft requests (BDRs), submitted no later than September 1, 2010. Other items not requiring legislation, such as requests for letters, may be sent by the Chair of the Committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

RECOMMENDATION NO. 1:

Submit a BDR to remove “High-Level” from the Committee’s name and amend the jurisdiction so the Committee can address other forms of radioactive waste and contamination in Nevada.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 2:

Submit a BDR to broaden the jurisdiction of Nevada’s Agency for Nuclear Projects to address various forms of radioactive waste and contamination in Nevada.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 3:

Submit a BDR to broaden the jurisdiction of Nevada’s Commission on Nuclear Projects to cover various forms of radioactive waste and contamination in Nevada.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 4:

Submit a BDR for a resolution directing Nevada’s Agency for Nuclear Projects, the Attorney General, and the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources to jointly investigate the potential for Nevada to receive compensation from the federal government for environmental damage resulting from nuclear activities in the State. The resolution will stipulate that the investigation is to be revenue neutral and that the involved entities will report the findings to the 77th Session of the Legislature in 2013.