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Senate called to order at 12:15 p.m.

President Hutchison presiding.

Remarks by President Hutchison.

First, let me congratulate each of you for being here, today. It is not an easy path to get here. It is not easy to become a member of the State Senate. You have gone through the challenges of a campaign. You have pressed the flesh, kissed the babies, and asked your friends, family and complete strangers for money. You spend significant time away from spouses and family. They have sacrificed themselves, and many of them are here with you today. My own barometer for when I needed to spend more time at home during the campaign was when I would walk through the front door and my daughter and son would welcome me as "Uncle Mark" and our dog Ruby would growl. I knew then I needed to spend a little more time at home.

As President Teddy Roosevelt commented in his famous "Man in the Arena" speech, you are men and women who have the drive and the courage to be in the arena of public life. President Roosevelt reminded us that it is not the critic who counts. There are many who comment and criticize us from the sidelines—folks who point out our human stumbles or mistakes and foibles. President Roosevelt rightly observed the credit rightly belongs to those who are actually in the arena, those who "spend themselves in a worthy cause" regardless of success or failure. So today, we begin the worthy cause of representing the Nevadans who sent us to this Chamber. I spoke with a friend of mine during the campaign. She asked me if the campaign was anything like I expected. I told her one has to experience a state-wide campaign in order to understand what to expect. She then said something I will never forget: "I'll bet campaigning throughout the State has broadened your compassion for people." She continued, "You're the hope as their representative."

Each of us in the Legislature represents the good people of Nevada. We are their hope in many ways, their hope for economic opportunities, for educational advancement, for protection, safety and security, and for equal protection and treatment under the laws that will be passed during this Session.

As a new member of the State Senate last Session, one of the pleasant surprises for me was how often we agree as Senators. The overwhelming majority of the bills coming out of committee and voted on in this Chamber will have wide bipartisan support. In fact, many will have unanimous support. For those on which there is disagreement, there will be debates,

discussions and votes, but the constant will always be a high level of mutual respect and appreciation for colleagues who may not share the same views. To that end, the Senate Floor should be both orderly and disciplined in its process and at the same time both collegial and enjoyable. We are engaged in serious work but we should allow for enjoyable association as colleagues and friends. I consider each of you my friend. I have personal relationships with every one of you, and I consider you someone who is a friend. My door will always be open to you, my friends and colleagues, as we proceed throughout this Session.

Now, in conclusion, as you look around, those seated with you are family members and friends. We pay special tribute to you. We know we would not be here without you. Family and friends are what this life is all about. As we embark on this Session, may God bless not only the Legislators but their families back home as well. Godspeed to each of each. Thank you.

Prayer by Senator Joseph P. Hardy.

Our Father who art in heaven, we hallow Thy Name and add our collective prayer from our individual sitting and standing positions with bowed heads and humble hearts. We thank Thee for Thy many unseen blessings of safety and quiet inspiration in our time of need. We come before Thee on different paths and have different faiths, but we unite in prayer to become of one accord for the good of Nevada, even to make a better Nevada for families to grow, learn and flourish until we do what is best in Thy sight. May we respect the rights of the individual all within the context of a diverse society incorporated in one body, each part and appendage as vital as another.

We depend on Thee for the air we breathe, the bread we eat and the living water we drink. We cannot control the clouds of the sky or the currents of the seas any more than we can the will or the opinions of each other. Help us then, we plea humbly, to control ourselves. Help us to cope with the vicissitudes and woes of this trial we call life. May we have enough understanding of Thy plan for us that as we wonder the whys, we can still have comfort in the love that we know Thou hast for us. We ask Thee to bless those who are not with us and comfort their families. We ask that Thou hear the silent prayers and yearnings of all those who are here laden with heavy hearts or worry and sorrow. We thank Thee for the blessings of the "non-occurrence" of tragedy and the tempering of the events that have occurred to allow us to be here before Thee today.

We hope that as we all serve in our places and positions that we can lift those in need. By so doing, may we be found worthy of Thy smiling approbation and inspiration. We cannot do this alone or even all together without Thy help; who notices the fall of the sparrow. Lord, we thank Thee and ask Thee, please, bless us all. We pray. I pray in the Name of Jesus Christ.

AMEN.

Mr. President announced that if there were no objections, the Senate would recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Senate in recess at 12:21 p.m.

SENATE IN SESSION

At 12:22 p.m.

President Hutchison presiding.

Quorum present.

REMARKS FROM THE FLOOR

Remarks by President Hutchison.

We are delighted to have the Nevada National Guard, Joint Honor Guard, with us today. The team members for our honor guard are: Sergeant First Class Myra Serrano, Master Sergeant Suzanne Connell, Staff Sergeant Roseanne Kemp, Sergeant Robert Green and Airman First Class David Almada.

Presentation of the Colors by the Nevada National Guard, Joint Color Guard.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Remarks by President Hutchison.

It is my pleasure to announce that the National Anthem will be presented by the Carson High School Chamber Choir under the direction of J. Andrew Sonnemaker. The choir members are: Summer Barth; Courtney Baxter; Spencer Bean; Robert Bowman; Destanee Bowman; Kati Ceragioli; Katasha DeGraw; Abby Gould; William Hoeffcker; Mike Irvin; Emily Janssens; Brent Lauderbaugh; Caitlyn Lee; Josiah Mouritsen; Kayleigh Remington; Diana Rosales; Wesley Sonnemaker; Stanley Unruh; Torres Tyler and Henry Wilson.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

Mr. President requested Mrs. Claire J. Clift to serve as temporary Secretary of the Senate and Mr. Robert G. Milby to serve as temporary Sergeant at Arms.

Mr. President instructed the temporary Secretary to call the roll of the holdover Senators.

Roll called.

All holdover Senators present except Senator Segerblom, who was excused.

Mr. President appointed Senators Goicoechea, Hammond and Spearman as a temporary Committee on Credentials.

Mr. President announced that if there were no objections the Senate would recess subject to the call of the Chair while credentials of the newly-elected and -appointed Senators are examined by the temporary Committee on Credentials.

Senate in recess at 12:27 p.m.

SENATE IN SESSION

At 12:34 p.m.

President Hutchison presiding.

Quorum present.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Mr. President:

Your temporary Committee on Credentials has had the credentials of the respective Senators-elect and Senator-appointee under consideration and begs leave to report that the following persons have been and are duly elected or appointed and qualified members of the Senate for the Seventy-eighth Session of the Legislature of the State of Nevada: Senators Moises Denis, Patricia L. Farley, Don Gustavson, Joseph P. Hardy, Becky Harris, Ben Kieckhefer, Ruben J. Kihuen, Mark A. Lipparelli, Mark A. Manendo, Michael Roberson, James A. Settlemeyer and Debbie Smith.

PETE GOICOECHEA
SCOTT T. HAMMOND
PAT SPEARMAN

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

Senator Goicoechea moved that the report of the temporary Committee on Credentials be adopted.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. President appointed Senators Brower, Hammond and Atkinson to escort Chief Justice James W. Hardesty of the Supreme Court of the State of Nevada to the rostrum to administer the oath of office to the newly-elected and -appointed Senators.

Mr. President announced that if there were no objections, the Senate would recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Senate in recess at 12:36 p.m.

SENATE IN SESSION

At 12:37 p.m.

President Hutchison presiding.

Quorum present.

Chief Justice Hardesty administered the oath of office to the newly-elected and -appointed Senators.

Mr. President announced that if there were no objections, the Senate would recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Senate in recess at 12:41 p.m.

SENATE IN SESSION

At 12:55 p.m.

President Hutchison presiding.

Quorum present.

Senator Harris moved that the Chief Justice be extended a unanimous vote of thanks for administering the oath.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. President instructed the temporary Secretary to call the roll of the Senators.

Roll called.

All Senators present except Senators Segerblom and Smith, who were excused.

Mr. President declared that nominations were in order for President pro Tempore.

Senator Ford nominated Senator Joseph P. Hardy for President pro Tempore of the Senate.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the nominations be closed.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. President declared Senator Joseph P. Hardy to be President pro Tempore of the Senate.

Mr. President declared that nominations were in order for Secretary of the Senate.

Senator Roberson nominated Mrs. Claire J. Clift to be Secretary of the Senate.

Senator Ford moved that the nominations be closed.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. President declared Mrs. Claire J. Clift to be the Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. President appointed Senators Gustavson, Hardy and Manendo as a Committee to inform the Assembly that the Senate is organized and ready for business.

Mr. President appointed Senators Kieckhefer, Lipparelli and Parks as a Committee to inform the Governor that the Senate is organized and ready for business.

Senator Roberson moved that the following persons be accepted as accredited press representatives, and that they be assigned space at the press table and allowed the use of appropriate media facilities: FREELANCE (RAN Newsletter, KNPB, Channel 5): Ande Engleman; ASSOCIATED PRESS: Michelle Rindels, Riley Snyder, Scott Sonner; CAPITAL PUBLIC RADIO: Kyril Plaskon; COVEREDGE TELEVISION NEWS SERVICES: Kausik Bhakta, Dan Bryant, Ryan Coleman, Tracey Frohn, Robert Gatti, Andrew Gray, Randy Hunter, Mark Materne, Robert Noble, Bill Pearce, Keith Taylor, Richard Travis; FORTUNE MAGAZINE: Peter Elkind; JOE SACCO PRODUCTIONS: Joe Sacco; KKLH CUMULUS MEDIA: Samantha Stone; KLAS-TV: Joseph Bartels, Mark Mutchler, William Roe, Lauren Rozyla; KNPB CHANNEL 5 PUBLIC BROADCASTING: Brent Boynton, Rebecca Cronon, Jeremy Dunn, Alex Muench, Dave Santina; KOLO 8 NEWS NOW: Edward Barnett, Jennifer Carruthers, Colin Lygren, Michael Cooper, Terri Russell; KRNV NEWS 4: Ryan Coleman, Madison Corney, Ashley Cullins, Matt DeBray, Roger Duplessis, Jaime Hayden, Terri Hendry, Ryan Kern, Steven Neils, Van Tieu; KSNV NEWS 3: Dree de Clamecy, Jeff Gillan, Chris Jones, Jamie Joyce; KTNV-TV: Jason Harvey, Kenneth Johnson, Victoria Spilabotte; KTVN CHANNEL 2 NEWS: Chloe Beardsley, Arianna Bennett, Erin Breen, Jennifer Burton, Ryan Canaday, Wendy Damonte, Jeff Foss, Andi Guevara, Brad Horn, Luis Latino, Landon Miller, Rachel Mosley, Paul Nelson, John Potter, Kristen Remington, Mike Rogers, Gaby Taffola, Gene Vance, Adam Varahachaikol; KUNR: Ann Nguyen; KVVU-TV: Kevin Bolinger, Justin Grant; LAS VEGAS REVIEW-JOURNAL: Sandra Chereb, Steve Sebelius, Sean Whaley; LAS VEGAS SUN: Kyle Roerink, Cy Ryan; MINEWEB.COM: Dorothy Kosich;

NEVADA APPEAL: Brad Cockman, Geoff Dorman, James Grant; NEVADA BROADCASTERS ASSOCIATION: Adrienne Abbott, Mary Beth Sewald; NEVADA MEDIA ALLIANCE: Gabriella Benavidez, Ashton Blake, Conner Board, Rayna Charnley, Nicholas Coleman, Kailee Gett, Amanda Ketchledge, Nicole Kowalewski, Kortney Melchiorre, Annalise Mishler, Nohemi Sandoval, Ryan Smith, Drake Stewart, David Thompson, Walanya Vongsvirates; NEVADA SAGEBRUSH: Breanna Denney, Blake Miller; RALSTON REPORTS: Jon Ralston; RENO GAY PAGE: Paco Poli; RENO GAZETTE-JOURNAL: Andy Barron, Jason Bean, Anjeanette Damon, Ray Hager, Jason Hidalgo, Trevon Milliard, Bill O'Driscoll; RENO PUBLIC RADIO: William Stone; REUTERS: Steve Keegan; TASMAN PACIFIC MEDIA GROUP: Donna Andres, Peter Hutchinson; TRUCKEE MEADOWS COMMUNITY COLLEGE: Tim III; UNIVISION NEVADA: Laura Calzada, Ivet Contreras; VEGAS PBS: Elizabeth Thompson.

Motion carried.

A Committee from the Assembly composed of Assemblymen Kirner, Trowbridge and Munford appeared before the bar of the Senate and announced that the Assembly is organized and ready for business.

Mr. President announced that if there were no objections, the Senate would recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Senate in recess at 1:01 p.m.

SENATE IN SESSION

At 1:17 p.m.

President Hutchison presiding.

Quorum present.

Senator Gustavson reported that his Committee has informed the Assembly that the Senate is organized and ready for business.

Senator Kieckhefer reported that his Committee has informed the Governor that the Senate is organized and ready for business.

REMARKS FROM THE FLOOR

Remarks by Senator Roberson.

I want to first ask that we keep our friends and colleagues, Senators Smith and Segerblom and their families in our thoughts and prayers today. We wish them a quick return back to the Senate.

Good morning, Lt. Governor Hutchison, Secretary Clift, Legislative staff, Minority Leader Ford, fellow Senators and guests. It is an honor and privilege to share the opening day of the 78th Legislative Session with you all.

Mr. President, my good friend, it brings me great joy to welcome you to your new role as the President of our Senate. And to Secretary Clift, welcome home, we are glad to have you back. To Minority Leader Ford, I congratulate you on your new role and I look forward to working together with you to accomplish important things for our great State this Session. And, to our three new colleagues, Senator Farley, Senator Harris and Senator Lipparelli, welcome to our Senate family. I trust you will find your service as members of the Nevada Senate to be one of

the most rewarding experiences of your lives. We are expecting great things from each of you, and I know you will not disappoint us.

I want to express special recognition and appreciation to our families and friends who endure many sacrifices and hardships to enable us to serve Nevada. Without you, we would not be here today. On a personal note, I want to recognize my mother-in-law and father-in-law, Linda and Mike Leavitt. I am grateful for your love, support, friendship and always constructive advice. I am lucky to have you both in my life. And, to the two most important people in my life, my mother, Karen, and my wife and best friend, Liberty—if not for each of you, I would not be here today. You are each, in your own special way, responsible for me being in this position to serve and to make a difference. Thank you for all the sacrifices you have made for me. I am humbled by your love and support.

We are all so privileged to be in a position to make decisions which affect the lives of each and every one of the close to 3-million Nevadans. I know we do not take this responsibility lightly. As we embark on this journey, I hope we all remember that we have been put here by our fellow Nevadans, with their trust that we will work together to successfully address the challenges and opportunities facing our State.

We are blessed to have the opportunity to serve alongside a once-in-a-generation leader in our Governor, Brian Sandoval. During his State of the State Address, Governor Sandoval said, "We now stand at the threshold of a New Nevada, a Nevada prepared to take its place among the most innovative, visionary and well-educated states in the Nation." But to cross that threshold, Governor Sandoval also told us that we must "all rise above that which seems easy." He asked us "to lead, so that the New Nevada can lead."

I ask us all to take those profound words to heart and to work together to do the things which we know are not easy but which we know will make all the difference to the people and the State we are so fortunate to serve.

Thank you, Mr. President.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

By Senators Roberson and Ford:

Senate Resolution No. 1—Adopting the Standing Rules of the Senate for the 78th Session of the Legislature.

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, That the Senate Standing Rules are hereby adopted for the 78th Session of the Legislature as follows:

I. OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Rule No. 1. *President.*

The President shall take the chair and call the Senate to order precisely at the hour appointed for meeting, and if a quorum is present shall cause the Journal of the preceding day to be read. The President shall preserve order and decorum, and in case of any disturbance or disorderly conduct within the Senate Chamber, shall order the Sergeant at Arms to suppress it, and may order the arrest of any person creating any disturbance within the Senate Chamber. The President may speak to points of order in preference to members, rising from the President's seat for that purpose, and shall decide questions of order without debate, subject to an appeal to the Senate by two members, on which appeal no member may speak more than once without leave of the Senate. The President shall sign all acts, addresses and joint resolutions, and all writs, warrants and subpoenas issued by order of the Senate; all of which must be attested by the Secretary. The President has general direction of the Senate Chamber.

Rule No. 2. *President Pro Tempore and Other Presiding Officers.*

1. *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2:*

(a) *The President Pro Tempore has all the power and shall discharge all the duties of the President during his or her absence or inability to discharge the duties of his or her office.*

(b) *If the President is unwilling to discharge the duties of his or her office, the Senate may, by majority vote of the Senate, call upon the President Pro Tempore to serve as the President. Upon such call, the President Pro Tempore has all the power and shall discharge all the duties of the President during his or her unwillingness to discharge the duties of his or her office.*

(c) *In the absence or inability of the President Pro Tempore to discharge the duties of the President's office, the Chair of the Standing Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections shall serve as the presiding officer. In the absence or inability of the Chair, the Vice Chair of the Standing Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections shall serve as the presiding officer. In the absence or inability of the Vice Chair of the Standing Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections, the Senate shall elect one of its members to serve as the presiding officer. A member who is serving as the presiding officer has all the power and shall discharge all the duties of the President until the absence or inability which resulted in the member serving as the presiding officer has ended.*

2. *When the President Pro Tempore or another member is serving as the presiding officer, the President Pro Tempore or other member may vote on any question for which he or she is otherwise qualified to vote as a member. If the Senate is equally divided on the question, the President Pro Tempore or other member may not give an additional deciding vote or casting vote pursuant to Senate Standing Rule No. 31 or Section 17 of Article 5 of the Nevada Constitution.*

Rule No. 3. *Secretary.*

1. *The Secretary of the Senate is elected by the Senate, and shall:*

(a) *Recruit, interview, select, train and supervise all staff employed to assist with the work of the Senate.*

(b) *See that these employees perform their respective duties.*

(c) *Administer the daily business of the Senate, including the provision of staff to its committees.*

(d) *Adopt such administrative policies as the Secretary deems necessary to carry out the business of the Senate.*

(e) *Unless otherwise ordered by the Senate, transmit at the end of each working day those bills and resolutions upon which the next action is to be taken by the Assembly.*

2. *The Secretary is responsible to the Majority Leader.*

3. *The President and the Secretary are authorized to make any necessary corrections and additions to the final Journal, Daily History and committee minutes of the Senate.*

Rule No. 4. *Sergeant at Arms.*

1. *The Sergeant at Arms shall:*

(a) *Attend the Senate during its sittings, and execute its commands and all process issued by its authority.*

(b) *Keep the secrets of the Senate.*

(c) *Superintend the upkeep of the Senate's Chamber, private lounge and meeting rooms for committees.*

2. *The Sergeant at Arms is responsible to the Majority Leader.*

Rule No. 5. *Deputy Sergeant at Arms and Assistant Sergeants at Arms.*

The Deputy Sergeant at Arms and Assistant Sergeants at Arms shall serve as doorkeepers and shall preserve order in the Senate Chamber and shall assist the Sergeant at Arms. The Deputy Sergeant at Arms and Assistant Sergeants at Arms shall keep the secrets of the Senate. In the event that the Sergeant at Arms is incapacitated or absent for any reason, the Deputy Sergeant at Arms shall serve as the Sergeant at Arms until the incapacity or absence has ended.

Rule No. 6. *Continuation of Leadership of the Senate During the Interim Between Sessions.*

1. *Except as otherwise provided in subsections 2, 3 and 4, the tenure of the President Pro Tempore, Majority Leader and Minority Leader extends during the interim between regular sessions of the Legislature.*

2. *The President Pro Tempore, Majority Leader and Minority Leader for the next succeeding regular session shall perform any duty that is required of that officer by the Standing Rules of the Senate and the Nevada Revised Statutes in the period between the time of their designation after the general election and the organization of the next succeeding regular session.*

3. *The Majority Leader and Minority Leader for the next succeeding regular session shall appoint the regular and alternate members to the Select Committee on Ethics as set forth in Senate Standing Rule No. 23.*

4. *The Majority Leader shall:*

- (a) Determine the start time of the Senate's organizational session.
 - (b) Refer prefiled bills and resolutions to committee, subject to ratification by a majority vote of the members of the Senate once the Senate is organized and ready for business.
 - (c) Appoint committees during the interim between regular sessions of the Legislature for any proper purpose, including, without limitation, taking testimony, compelling the attendance of witnesses, punishing persons or entities for contempt and reporting findings to the next session of the Legislature.
5. This Rule shall remain in full force and effect throughout the interim between regular sessions of the Legislature and until new Standing Rules of the Senate are adopted as part of the organization of a newly-constituted Senate at the commencement of a session.

The next rule is 10.

II. SESSIONS AND MEETINGS

Rule No. 10. Time of Meeting.

- 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the President shall call the Senate to order each day of sitting at 11:00 o'clock a.m., unless the Senate has adjourned to some other hour.
- 2. In the event an emergency occurs during a regular or special session of the Legislature which requires a meeting of the Senate, the Majority Leader shall call the members back to order before the hour to which the Senate has adjourned.

Rule No. 11. Call of Senate—Moved by Three Members.

A Call of the Senate may be moved by three Senators, and if carried by a majority of all present, the Secretary shall call the roll and note the absentees, after which the names of the absentees shall again be called over. The doors shall then be closed and the Sergeant at Arms directed to take into custody all who may be absent without leave, and all Senators so taken into custody shall be presented at the bar of the Senate for such action as to the Senate may seem proper.

Rule No. 12. Absence—Leave Required.

No Senator shall absent himself or herself from the service of the Senate without leave, except in case of accident or sickness, and if any Senator or officer shall so absent himself or herself, the per diem of the Senator shall not be allowed to him or her.

Rule No. 13. Open Meetings.

- 1. Except as provided in the Constitution of the State of Nevada and in subsection 2, all meetings of the Senate and its committees must be open to the public.
- 2. A Senate committee meeting may be closed to consider the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence, or physical or mental health of a person.

The next rule is 20.

III. DECORUM AND DEBATE

Rule No. 20. Points of Order.

- 1. If any Senator, in speaking or otherwise, transgresses the rules of the Senate, the President shall, or any Senator may, call him or her to order. If a Senator is so called to order, he or she shall not proceed without leave of the Senate. If such leave is granted, it must be upon the motion, "That he or she be allowed to proceed in order," and the Senator shall confine himself or herself to the question under consideration and avoid personality.
- 2. Every decision of points of order made by the President is subject to appeal, and a discussion of a question of order may be allowed only upon the appeal of two Senators. In all cases of appeal, the question must be, "Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the Senate?"

Rule No. 21. Breaches of Decorum.

- 1. In cases of breaches of decorum or propriety, any Senator, officer or other person is liable to such censure or punishment as the Senate may deem proper.
- 2. If any Senator is called to order for offensive or indecorous language or conduct, the person calling the Senator to order shall report the offensive or indecorous language or conduct to the presiding officer. No member may be held to answer for any language used on the floor of the Senate if business has intervened before exception to the language was taken.
- 3. Indecorous conduct or boisterous or unbecoming language is not permitted in the Senate Chamber.

Rule No. 22. Reserved.

Rule No. 23. Committee on Ethics; Legislative Ethics.

1. The Committee on Ethics consists of:

(a) Two members of the Senate appointed by the Majority Leader from the majority political party;

(b) One member of the Senate appointed by the Minority Leader from the minority political party; and

(c) Four qualified electors of the State, two of whom are appointed by the Majority Leader, one who is appointed by the Minority Leader, and one who is appointed by the other members appointed to the Committee, and none of whom is a present member of the Legislature or employed by the State of Nevada.

Not more than four members of the Committee may be members of the same political party.

2. The Majority Leader shall appoint the Chair and Vice Chair of the Committee. The Vice Chair shall serve as the acting Chair if the Chair is unable to serve for any reason during the consideration of a specific question.

3. The Majority Leader shall appoint an alternate member with the qualifications set forth in paragraph (a) of subsection 1 and an alternate member with the qualifications set forth in paragraph (c) of subsection 1. The Minority Leader shall appoint an alternate member with the qualifications set forth in paragraph (b) of subsection 1 and an alternate member with the qualifications set forth in paragraph (c) of subsection 1. The members of the Committee shall appoint an alternate member with the qualifications set forth in paragraph (c) of subsection 1. If a member of the Committee is unable to serve for any reason during the consideration of a specific question, the alternate appointed with the qualifications from the same paragraph in subsection 1 by the same appointing authority shall serve as a member of the Committee during the consideration of the specific question.

4. A member of the Committee is disqualified to serve during the consideration of a specific question if:

(a) The member is the requester of advice concerning the question of ethics or conflict of interest, or the member is the subject of the complaint concerning the specific question; or

(b) A reasonable person in the member's situation could not exercise independent judgment on the matter in question.

5. The members of the Committee shall perform any duty required in the period between the time of their appointment after the general election and the organization of the next succeeding regular session, or until the Majority Leader or the Minority Leader appoint new members to the Committee, whichever occurs first.

6. The tenure of the members of the Committee shall extend during the interim between regular sessions of the Legislature.

7. The Committee:

(a) May hear requests brought by Senators for advice on specific questions of potential breaches of ethics and conflicts of interest; and

(b) Shall hear complaints brought by Senators and others on specific questions of alleged breaches of ethics and conflicts of interest.

8. All proceedings held to consider the character, alleged misconduct, professional competence or physical or mental health of any person by the Committee on matters of ethics or conflicts of interest are confidential unless a Legislator:

(a) Against whom a complaint is brought requests a public hearing;

(b) Discloses the content of an opinion of the Committee at any time after his or her hearing;

or

(c) Discloses the content of an advisory opinion issued to him or her by the Committee.

9. A complaint which alleges a breach of ethics or a conflict of interest must be:

(a) Made in writing on a form provided by the Secretary of the Senate;

(b) Signed and verified under penalty of perjury by the person making the allegation; and

(c) Filed with the Chair of the Committee or, if the Chair is the subject of the complaint, with the Vice Chair. The Chair or Vice Chair, as appropriate, shall send a copy of the complaint, within 24 hours after receiving it, to the Legislator against whom the complaint is brought.

10. In determining whether a Legislator has a conflict of interest, the Legislator should consider whether the independence of judgment of a reasonable person in his or her situation upon the matter in question would be materially affected by the Legislator's:

- (a) Acceptance of a gift or loan;
- (b) Private economic interest; or
- (c) Commitment to a member of his or her household or immediate family.

↪ In interpreting and applying the provisions of this subsection, it must be presumed that the independence of judgment of a reasonable person in the Legislator's situation would not be materially affected by the Legislator's private economic interest or the Legislator's commitment to a member of his or her household or immediate family where the resulting benefit or detriment accruing to the Legislator, or if the Legislator has a commitment to a member of his or her household or immediate family, accruing to those other persons, is not greater than that accruing to any other member of the general business, profession, occupation or group that is affected by the matter.

11. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 12, if a Legislator knows he or she has a conflict of interest pursuant to subsection 10, the Legislator shall make a disclosure of the conflict of interest on the record in a meeting of a committee or on the floor of the Senate, as applicable. Such a disclosure must be entered:

- (a) If the Legislator makes the disclosure in a meeting of a committee, in the minutes for that meeting.
- (b) If the Legislator makes the disclosure on the floor of the Senate, in the Journal.

12. If, on one or more prior occasions during the current session of the Legislature, a Legislator has made a general disclosure of a conflict of interest on the record in a meeting of a committee or on the floor of the Senate, the Legislator is not required to make that general disclosure at length again regarding the same conflict of interest if, when the matter in question arises on subsequent occasions, the Legislator makes a reference on the record to the previous disclosure.

13. In determining whether to abstain from voting upon, advocating or opposing a matter concerning which a Legislator has a conflict of interest pursuant to subsection 10, the Legislator should consider whether:

- (a) The conflict impedes his or her independence of judgment; and
- (b) His or her interest is greater than the interests of an entire class of persons similarly situated.

14. The provisions of this Rule do not under any circumstances and regardless of any conflict of interest:

- (a) Prohibit a Legislator from requesting or introducing a legislative measure; or
- (b) Require a Legislator to take any particular action before or while requesting or introducing a legislative measure.

15. 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 from voting because of the requirements of this Rule, the necessary 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.

16. Except as otherwise provided in the Joint Standing Rules, the standards and procedures set forth in this Rule which govern whether and to what extent a Senator has a conflict of interest, should disclose a conflict of interest or should abstain from voting upon, advocating or opposing a matter concerning which the Senator has a conflict of interest pursuant to subsection 10:

- (a) Are exclusive and are the only standards and procedures that apply to Senators with regard to such matters; and
- (b) Supersede and preempt all other standards and procedures with regard to such matters.

17. For purposes of this Rule, "immediate family" means a person who is related to the Legislator by blood, adoption or marriage within the first degree of consanguinity or affinity.

18. This Rule shall remain in full force and effect throughout the interim between regular sessions of the Legislature and until new Standing Rules of the Senate are adopted as part of a newly-constituted Senate at the Commencement of a session.

The next rule is 30.

IV. QUORUM, VOTING, ELECTIONS

Rule No. 30. *Recorded Vote—Three Required to Call For.*

1. A recorded vote must be taken upon final passage of a bill or joint resolution, and in any other case when called for by three members. Every Senator within the bar of the Senate shall vote "yea" or "nay" or record himself or herself as "not voting," unless excused by unanimous vote of the Senate.

2. The votes and names of those absent or recorded as "not voting" and the names of Senators demanding the recorded vote must be entered in the Journal.

Rule No. 31. *President to Decide—Tie Vote.*

A question is lost by a tie vote, but when the Senate is equally divided on any question except the passage of a bill or joint resolution, the President may give the deciding vote.

Rule No. 32. *Manner of Election—Voting.*

1. In all cases of election by the Senate, the vote must be taken viva voce. In other cases, if a vote is to be recorded, it may be taken by oral roll-call or by electronic recording.

2. When a recorded vote is taken, no Senator may:

- (a) Vote except when at his or her seat;
- (b) Explain his or her vote or discuss the question while the voting is in progress; or
- (c) Change his or her vote after the result is announced.

3. The announcement of the result of any vote must not be postponed.

The next rule is 40.

V. LEGISLATIVE BODIES

Rule No. 40. *Standing and Select Committees.*

1. The Majority Leader shall determine the majority-minority party composition of all standing and select committees. Appointments to committees shall be made by the Majority Leader for the majority party members and by the Minority Leader for the minority party members. The Majority Leader shall designate the chair and vice chair of all standing and select committees.

2. The Majority Leader shall refer prefiled bills and resolutions to committee, subject to ratification by a majority vote of the Senate once the Senate is organized and ready for business.

3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, the standing and select committees of the Senate and their respective jurisdiction for the reference of bills and resolutions are as follows:

(a) Commerce, Labor and Energy, seven members, with jurisdiction over measures affecting primarily titles 52-56 of NRS, and chapters 97-100, 118-119, 119B, 459A, 461, 461A, 489, 679A-693A, 694A-704B, 707, 711 and 712 of NRS, except measures affecting primarily state and local revenue.

(b) Education, seven members, with jurisdiction over measures affecting primarily chapters 378-380A, 385, 386 and 388-399 of NRS, except measures affecting primarily state and local revenue.

(c) Finance, seven members, with jurisdiction over measures primarily affecting chapters 1A, 387 and 400 of NRS, appropriations, operating and capital budgets, state and federal budget issues and bonding, except measures affecting primarily state and local revenue, and over any measures carrying or requiring appropriations and favorably reported by any other committee.

(d) Government Affairs, five members, with jurisdiction over measures affecting primarily titles 20-22, 25, 27, 28, 30, 31, 36, 37 and 48 of NRS, and chapters 223-228, 232-237, 238-242, 286-289, 381, 384, 472-474, 477, 693B, 708-710 and 720 of NRS, except measures affecting primarily the provisions of the Nevada Administrative Procedure Act that govern the adjudication of contested cases, the Tahoe Regional Planning Compact and the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency, state and local revenue and state and federal budget issues.

(e) Health and Human Services, five members, with jurisdiction over measures primarily affecting titles 38 and 39 of NRS, chapters 439-442 of NRS, NRS 444.002-444.430 and chapters 446-458A, 460 and 583-585 of NRS, except measures affecting primarily state and local revenue.

(f) Judiciary, seven members, with jurisdiction over measures affecting primarily the provisions of the Nevada Administrative Procedure Act that govern the adjudication of contested cases, titles 2-7, 9, 11-16 and 41 of NRS, and chapters 1, 2-7, 101-104A, 111-117, 119A, 120, 120A, 475, 719 and 721 of NRS, except measures affecting primarily state and local revenue.

(g) *Legislative Operations and Elections, five members, with jurisdiction over measures affecting primarily titles 17, 24 and 29 of NRS, and chapters 281-285 of NRS, and the operation of the legislative session, except measures affecting primarily state and local revenue.*

(h) *Natural Resources, five members, with jurisdiction over measures primarily affecting titles 26, 45-47, 49 and 50 of NRS, chapters 383 and 407 of NRS, NRS 444.435-444.650 and chapters 444A-445D, 459, 488, 581, 582 and 586-590 of NRS, and the Tahoe Regional Planning Compact and the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency, except measures affecting primarily state and local revenue.*

(i) *Revenue and Economic Development, seven members, with jurisdiction over measures affecting primarily title 32 of NRS, and chapters 231, 231A and 237A of NRS, and state and local revenue.*

(j) *Transportation, five members, with jurisdiction over measures affecting primarily title 44 of NRS, and chapters 403-405, 408, 410, 476, 480-487, 490, 705 and 706 of NRS, except measures affecting primarily state and local revenue.*

4. *The Chair of the Standing Committee on Finance may assign any portion of a proposed executive budget to any of the other standing or select committees of the Senate for review. Upon receiving such an assignment the standing or select committee shall complete its review expeditiously and report its findings and any recommendations to the Standing Committee on Finance for its independent evaluation.*

Rule No. 41. Appointment of Alternates.

If the chair or any member of a committee is temporarily unable to perform his or her duties, the Majority Leader shall appoint an alternate of the same political party to serve in the chair's or the member's place for such time as is determined by the Majority Leader.

Rule No. 42. Committee Expenses.

No committee shall employ assistance or incur any expense, except by permission of the Senate previously obtained.

Rule No. 43. Duties of Committees.

The several committees shall acquaint themselves with the interests of the State specially represented by the committee and shall present such bills and reports as in their judgment will advance the interests and promote the welfare of the people of the State.

Rule No. 44. Reserved.

Rule No. 45. Reserved.

Rule No. 46. Forming Committee of the Whole.

In forming the Committee of the Whole, the Senator who has so moved shall name a Chair to preside. All amendments proposed by the Committee shall be reported by the Chair to the Senate.

Rule No. 47. Rules Applicable to Committee of the Whole.

The Rules of the Senate shall apply to proceedings in Committee of the Whole, except that the previous question shall not be ordered, nor the yeas and nays demanded, but the Committee may limit the number of times that any member may speak, at any stage of proceedings, during its sitting. Messages may be received by the President while the Committee is sitting; in which case the President shall resume the chair and receive the message. After receiving the message, the President shall vacate the chair in favor of the Chair of the Committee.

Rule No. 48. Motion to Rise Committee of the Whole.

A motion that the Committee rise shall always be in order, and shall be decided without debate.

Rule No. 49. Reference to Committee.

When a motion is made to refer any subject, and different committees are proposed, the subject may be referred to the committee with jurisdiction over the subject as set forth in Senate Standing Rule No. 40, or to a different committee, upon a majority vote of the members present.

Rule No. 50. Return From Committee.

1. *Any bill or other matter referred to a committee of the Senate must not be withdrawn or ordered taken from the committee for consideration by the Senate, for re-referral, or for any other reason without a majority vote of the Senate, and at least one day's notice of the motion therefor.*

2. *No such motion is in order:*

(a) If the bill to be withdrawn or ordered taken from the committee may no longer be considered by the Senate; or

(b) On the last day of the session, or on the day preceding the last day of the session.

3. This Rule does not take from any committee the rights and duties of committees provided for in Senate Standing Rule No. 43.

Rule No. 51. Reserved.

Rule No. 52. Reserved.

Rule No. 53. Committee Rules.

1. The rules of the Senate, as far as applicable, are the rules of committees of the Senate. Procedure in committees, where not otherwise provided in this Rule, must follow the procedure of the Senate. For matters not included in the rules of the Senate or these rules, Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure must be followed.

2. A majority of any committee constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business.

3. A meeting of a committee may not be opened without a quorum present.

4. In addition to regularly scheduled meetings of a committee or those called by the chair of the committee, meetings may be set by a written petition of a majority of the committee and filed with the chair of the committee.

5. A bill may be passed from a committee only by a majority of the committee membership. A simple majority of those present and voting is sufficient to adopt committee amendments.

6. Subcommittees may be appointed by the chair of a committee to consider subjects specified by the committee and shall report back to the committee. If a subcommittee is so appointed, the chair of the committee shall determine whether the subcommittee shall keep minutes of its meetings. Any minutes required to be kept pursuant to this subsection must comply with the provisions of subsection 12.

7. A committee shall act only when together, and all votes must be taken in the presence of the committee. A member shall not be recorded as voting unless the member was actually present in the committee at the time of the vote. The chair of the committee must be present when the committee votes to take any final actions on bills or resolutions, but the chair is not required to vote. Upon approval of the Chair, a committee may meet together by video conference. A member who is actually present in the committee at a posted video conference location is present and in attendance at the meeting for all purposes. The provisions of this subsection do not prohibit the prefiling of legislative bills and resolutions on behalf of a committee in the manner prescribed by the Legislative Commission.

8. All committee and subcommittee meetings are open to the public, except as otherwise provided in Senate Standing Rule No. 13.

9. Before reporting a bill or resolution to the Senate, a committee may reconsider its action. A motion to reconsider must be made by any member who voted on the action.

10. The chair of a committee shall determine the agenda of each meeting of the committee except that a member of the committee may request an item for the agenda by communicating with the chair at least 4 days before the meeting. A majority of a committee may, by vote, add an item to the agenda of the next regularly scheduled meeting.

11. Secretaries to committees shall give notices of hearings on bills to anyone requesting notices of particular bills.

12. All committees shall keep minutes of meetings. The minutes must cover members present and absent, subjects under discussion, witnesses who appear, committee members' statements concerning legislative intent, action taken by the committee, as well as the vote of individual members on all matters on which a vote is taken. Any member may submit to the secretary additional remarks to be included in the minutes and records of committee meetings. At the conclusion of the legislative session, the Secretary of the Senate shall deliver all minutes and records of committee meetings in his or her possession to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau.

13. In addition to the minutes, the committee secretary shall maintain a record of all bills, including:

(a) Date bill referred;

(b) Date bill received;

(c) Date set for hearing the bill;

(d) Date or dates bill heard and voted upon; and

(e) Date report prepared.

14. Each committee secretary shall file the minutes of each meeting with the Secretary of the Senate as soon as practicable after the meeting.

15. All committee minutes and any subcommittee minutes required to be kept pursuant to subsection 6 are open to public inspection upon request and during normal business hours.

Rule No. 54. Review of State Agency Programs.

In addition to or concurrent with committee action taken on specific bills and resolutions during a regular session of the Legislature, each standing committee of the Senate is encouraged to plan and conduct a general review of selected programs of state agencies or other areas of public interest within the committee's jurisdiction.

The next rule is 60.

VI. RULES GOVERNING MOTIONS

A. MOTIONS GENERALLY

Rule No. 60. Entertaining.

1. No motion may be debated until it is announced by the President.

2. By consent of the Senate, a motion may be withdrawn before amendment or decision.

Rule No. 61. Precedence of Motions.

When a question is under debate no motion shall be received but the following, which shall have precedence in the order named:

1. To adjourn.

2. For a call of the Senate.

3. To recess.

4. To lay on the table.

5. For the previous question.

6. To postpone to a day certain.

7. To refer to committee.

8. To amend.

9. To postpone indefinitely.

➤ The first three motions shall be decided without debate, and a motion to lay on the table without question or debate.

Rule No. 62. When Not Entertained.

1. When a motion to refer to committee, to postpone to a day certain, or to postpone indefinitely has been decided, it must not be again entertained on the same day.

2. When a question has been postponed indefinitely, it must not again be introduced during the session unless this Rule is suspended by a two-thirds vote.

3. There must be no reconsideration of a vote on a motion to postpone indefinitely.

B. PARTICULAR MOTIONS

Rule No. 63. To Adjourn.

A motion to adjourn shall always be in order. The name of the Senator moving to adjourn, and the time when the motion was made, shall be entered in the Journal.

Rule No. 64. Lay on the Table.

A motion to lay on or take from the table shall be carried by a majority vote.

Rule No. 65. Reserved.

Rule No. 66. To Strike Enacting Clause.

A motion to strike out the enacting clause of a bill has precedence over a motion to refer to committee or to amend. If a motion to strike out the enacting clause of a bill is carried, the bill is rejected.

Rule No. 67. Division of Question.

1. Any Senator may call for a division of a question.

2. A question must be divided if it embraces subjects so distinct that if one subject is taken away, a substantive proposition remains for the decision of the Senate.

3. A motion to strike out and insert must not be divided.

Rule No. 68. To Reconsider—Precedence of.

1. A motion to reconsider has precedence over every other motion, including a motion to adjourn if the motion is to reconsider a final vote on a bill or resolution. A motion to reconsider

a final vote on a bill or resolution shall be in order only on the day on which the final vote is taken and the vote on such a motion to reconsider must be taken on the same day.

2. If the motion to reconsider is for any other action, the motion has precedence over every other motion, except a motion to adjourn. When the Senate adjourns while a motion to reconsider is pending, or before passing the order of Motions and Resolutions, the right to move for reconsideration continues to the next day of sitting.

Rule No. 69. Explanation of Motion.

Whenever a Senator moves to change the usual disposition of a bill or resolution, he or she shall describe the subject of the bill or resolution and state the reasons for requesting the change in the processing of the bill or resolution.

The next rule is 80.

VII. DEBATE

Rule No. 80. Speaking on Question.

1. Every Senator who speaks shall, standing in his or her place, address "Mr. or Madam President," in a courteous manner, and shall confine himself or herself to the question before the Senate. When the Senator has finished, he or she shall sit down.

2. No Senator may speak:

(a) More than twice during the consideration of any one question on the same day, except for explanation.

(b) A second time without leave when others who have not spoken desire the floor.

3. Incidental and subsidiary questions arising during debate shall not be considered the same question.

Rule No. 81. Previous Question.

The previous question shall not be put unless demanded by three Senators, and it shall be in this form: "Shall the main question be put?" When sustained by a majority of Senators present it shall put an end to all debate and bring the Senate to a vote on the question or questions before it, and all incidental questions arising after the motion was made shall be decided without debate. A person who is speaking on a question shall not while he or she has the floor move to put that question.

The next rule is 90.

VIII. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS

A. GENERALLY

Rule No. 90. Mason's Manual.

The rules of parliamentary practice contained in Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure shall govern the Senate in all cases in which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the standing rules and orders of the Senate, and the Joint Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly.

Rule No. 91. Suspension of Rule.

No standing rule or order of the Senate shall be rescinded or changed without a vote of two-thirds of the Senate and one day's notice of the motion therefor; but a rule or order may be temporarily suspended for a special purpose by a vote of two-thirds of the members present. When the suspension of a rule is called for, and after due notice from the President no objection is offered, the President can announce the rule suspended and the Senate may proceed accordingly; but this shall not apply to that portion of Senate Standing Rule No. 109 relating to the third reading of bills, which cannot be suspended.

Rule No. 92. Notices of Bills, Topics and Public Hearings.

Adequate notice shall be provided to the Legislators and the public by posting information relative to the bills, topics and public hearings which are to come before committees. Notices shall include the date, time, place and agenda, and shall be posted conspicuously in the Legislative Building and shall be made available to the news media. This requirement of notice may be suspended for an emergency by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the committee members appointed.

Rule No. 93. Protest.

Any Senator, or Senators, may protest against the action of the Senate upon any question, and have such protest entered in the Journal.

Rule No. 94. Privilege of the Floor.

1. To preserve decorum and facilitate the business of the Senate, only the following persons may be present on the floor of the Senate during formal sessions:

- (a) State officers;
- (b) Officers and members of the Senate;
- (c) Employees of the Legislative Counsel Bureau;
- (d) Staff of the Senate; and
- (e) Members of the Assembly whose presence is required for the transaction of business.

2. Guests of Senators must be seated in a section of the upper or lower gallery of the Senate Chamber to be specially designated by the Sergeant at Arms. The Majority Leader may specify special occasions when guests may be seated on the floor of the Senate with a Senator.

3. A majority of Senators may authorize the President to have the Senate Chamber cleared of all persons except Senators and officers of the Senate.

4. The Senate Chamber may not be used for any business other than legislative business during a legislative session.

Rule No. 95. *Material Placed on Legislators' Desks.*

1. Only the Sergeant at Arms and officers and employees of the Senate may place papers, letters, notes, pamphlets and other written material upon a Senator's desk. Such material must contain the name of the Legislator requesting the placement of the material on the desk or a designation of the origin of the material.

2. This Rule does not apply to books containing the legislative bills and resolutions, the daily histories and daily journals of the Senate or Assembly, or Legislative Counsel Bureau material.

Rule No. 96. *Reserved.*

Rule No. 97. *Petitions.*

The contents of any petition shall be briefly stated by the President or any Senator presenting it. It shall then lie on the table or be referred, as the President or Senate may direct.

Rule No. 98. *Reserved.*

Rule No. 99. *Reserved.*

Rule No. 100. *Reserved.*

Rule No. 101. *Reserved.*

Rule No. 102. *Objection to Reading of Paper.*

Where the reading of any paper is called for, and is objected to by any Senator, it shall be determined by a vote of the Senate, and without debate.

Rule No. 103. *Questions Relating to Priority of Business.*

All questions relating to the priority of business shall be decided without debate.

B. BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Rule No. 104. *Reserved.*

Rule No. 105. *Reserved.*

Rule No. 106. *Skeleton Bills.*

Skeleton bills may be introduced after the beginning of a session 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. A skeleton bill will be 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.

Rule No. 107. *Information Concerning Bills.*

1. Bills introduced may be accompanied by information relative to witnesses and selected persons of departments and agencies who should be considered for committee hearings on the proposed legislation. At the time of or after introduction of a bill, a list of witnesses who are proponents of the bill together with their addresses and telephone numbers may be given to the secretary of the committee to which the bill is referred. This information may be provided by:

- (a) The Senator introducing the bill;
- (b) The person requesting a committee introduction of the bill; or
- (c) The chair of the committee introducing the bill.

2. The secretary of the committee shall deliver this information to the chair of the committee to which the bill is referred. Members of the committee may suggest additional names for witnesses.

3. *The Legislator may provide an analysis which may describe the intent, purpose, justification and effects of the bill, or any of them.*

Rule No. 108. Reserved.

Rule No. 109. Reading of Bills.

1. *Every bill must receive three readings before its passage, unless, in case of emergency, this rule is suspended by a two-thirds vote of the Senate.*

2. *The first reading of a bill is for information, and if there is opposition to the bill, the question must be, "Shall this bill be rejected?" If there is no opposition to the bill, or if the question to reject is defeated, the bill must then take the usual course.*

3. *No bill may be referred to committee until once read, nor amended until twice read.*

4. *The third reading of every bill must be by sections.*

Rule No. 110. Second Reading File—Consent Calendar.

1. *All bills or joint resolutions reported by committee must be placed on a Second Reading File unless recommended for placement on the Consent Calendar.*

2. *A committee shall not recommend a bill or joint resolution for placement on the Consent Calendar if:*

(a) An amendment of the bill or joint resolution is recommended;

(b) It contains an appropriation;

(c) It requires a two-thirds vote of the Senate; or

(d) It is controversial in nature.

3. *A bill or joint resolution recommended for placement on the Consent Calendar must be included in the Daily File listed in the Daily History of the Senate at least 1 calendar day before it may be considered.*

4. *A bill or joint resolution must be removed from the Consent Calendar at the request of any Senator, without question or debate. A bill or joint resolution so removed must be immediately placed on the Second Reading File for consideration in the usual order of business.*

5. *When the Consent Calendar is called:*

(a) The bills remaining on the Consent Calendar must be read by number and summary, and the vote must be taken on their final passage as a group.

(b) No remarks or questions are in order and the bills remaining on the Consent Calendar must be voted upon without debate.

Rule No. 111. Publications.

1. *An appropriate number of copies of all bills and resolutions of general interest must be printed for the use of the Senate and Assembly. Such other matter must be printed as may be ordered by the Senate.*

2. *Bill books will not be prepared for legislators unless they qualify for and request the service. The service, if approved, will be limited to the provision of one full set of bills, journals, histories and indexes for the Senator's desk in the Senate chamber. Bill books will not be prepared for a Senator for individual committees.*

3. *A Senator may request the provision of bill book service pursuant to subsection 1 if either:*

(a) The Senator has served in the Senate for 10 or more years; or

(b) A physical or medical condition requires the Senator to use the bill books rather than viewing bills on a laptop computer.

4. *A request for bill book service must be made to the Majority Leader of the Senate. If the Majority Leader determines that the Senator qualifies for the service, the Majority Leader shall direct the Legislative Counsel Bureau to provide the service.*

Rule No. 112. Sponsorship.

1. *A Senator may rise and request that his or her name be added as a sponsor of a bill or resolution that is introduced in the Senate if the Senator has submitted to the Secretary of the Senate a statement approving the request signed by the Senator who introduced the bill or resolution. A Senator may make a request to have his or her name added as a sponsor of:*

(a) A resolution of the Senate, at any time after the resolution is introduced in the Senate and before the resolution is passed by the Senate.

(b) A bill or a joint or concurrent resolution:

(1) At any time after the bill or resolution is introduced in the Senate and before the bill or resolution is passed out of the Senate to the Assembly; and

(2) At any time after the bill or resolution is returned to the Senate following passage by the Assembly and before the bill or resolution is enrolled.

2. A Senator who is a sponsor of a bill or resolution that is introduced in the Senate may rise and request that his or her name be removed as a sponsor of the bill or resolution. A Senator may make a request to have his or her name removed as a sponsor of:

(a) A resolution of the Senate, at any time after the resolution is introduced in the Senate and before the resolution is passed by the Senate.

(b) A bill or a joint or concurrent resolution:

(1) At any time after the bill or resolution is introduced in the Senate and before the bill or resolution is passed out of the Senate to the Assembly; and

(2) At any time after the bill or resolution is returned to the Senate following passage by the Assembly and before the bill or resolution is enrolled.

3. If a Senator makes a request to have his or her name added or removed as a sponsor of a bill or resolution that was introduced in the Senate, the request must be entered in the Journal.

4. If a Senator who is the only sponsor of a bill or resolution that was introduced in the Senate removes his or her name from the bill or resolution while the bill is in the Senate and no other Senator adds his or her name as the sponsor of the bill or resolution at the time of the request for removal, no further action on the bill or resolution is allowed for that legislative session.

Rule No. 113. Reading of Bills—General File.

1. Upon reading of bills on the Second Reading File, Senate and Assembly bills reported without amendments must be ordered to the General File. Committee amendments reported with bills must be considered upon their second reading and such amendments may be adopted by a majority vote of the members present. Bills so amended must be reprinted, engrossed or reengrossed, and ordered to the General File. The File must be made available to members of the public each day by the Secretary.

2. Any member may move to amend a bill during its reading on the Second Reading File or during its third reading and the motion to amend may be adopted by a majority vote of the members present. Bills so amended on second reading must be treated the same as bills with committee amendments. Any bill so amended upon the General File must be reprinted and engrossed or reengrossed.

3. An appropriate number of copies of all amended bills must be printed.

Rule No. 114. Referral of Bill With Special Instructions.

A bill may be referred to committee with special instructions to amend at any time before taking the final vote.

Rule No. 115. Reconsideration of Vote on Bill.

1. A vote may be reconsidered on motion of any member.

2. Motions to reconsider a vote upon amendments to any pending question and upon a final vote on a bill or resolution may be made and decided at once.

Rule No. 116. Reserved.

Rule No. 117. Different Subject Not Admitted as Amendment.

No subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted as an amendment; and no bill or resolution shall be amended by incorporating any irrelevant subject matter or by association or annexing any other bill or resolution pending in the Senate, but a substitute may be offered at any time so long as the original is open to amendment.

Rule No. 118. Certain Resolutions Treated as Bills.

1. Joint resolutions addressed to Congress, or to either House thereof, or to the President of the United States, or the heads of any of the national departments, or proposing amendments to the State Constitution are subject, in all respects, to the foregoing rules governing the course of bills.

2. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution must be entered in the Journal in its entirety.

Rule No. 118.2. Memorial Resolutions.

Once the sponsor has moved for the adoption of a memorial resolution, not more than one member from each caucus, and, upon request of a member of the body and the approval of the Majority Leader, one additional member may speak on the resolution.

Rule No. 119. *Certain Resolutions Treated as Motions.*

Except as otherwise provided in Senate Standing Rules Nos. 118 and 118.2, resolutions must be treated as motions in all proceedings of the Senate.

Rule No. 119.2. *Return From the Secretary of State.*

A Senate resolution may be used to request the return from the Secretary of State of an enrolled Senate resolution for further consideration.

C. *ORDER OF BUSINESS, SPECIAL ORDERS AND OTHER MATTERS*

Rule No. 120. *Order of Business.*

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

Rule No. 121. *Privilege.*

Any Senator may rise and explain a matter personal to himself or herself by leave of the President, but the Senator shall not discuss any pending question in such explanation.

Rule No. 122. *Reserved.*

Rule No. 123. *Reserved.*

Rule No. 124. *Preference to Speak.*

When two or more Senators rise at the same time the President shall name the one who may first speak—giving preference, when practicable, to the mover or introducer of the subject under consideration.

Rule No. 125. *Special Order of Business.*

The President shall call the Senate to order on the arrival of the time fixed for the consideration of a special order, and announce that the special order is before the Senate, which shall be considered, unless it be postponed by a two-thirds vote, and any business before the Senate at the time of the announcement of the special order shall go to Unfinished Business.

Rule No. 126. *Reserved.*

Rule No. 127. *Reserved.*

Rule No. 128. *Seniority Among Senators.*

1. *The Senate shall determine seniority among the Senators as follows:*
 - (a) *Credit total continuous service in the Senate first;*
 - (b) *Credit total noncontinuous service in the Senate second;*
 - (c) *Credit total continuous service in the Assembly third; and*
 - (d) *Credit total noncontinuous service in the Assembly fourth.*
2. *In every case where there are ties, those ties are broken by alphabetical order.*

Rule No. 129. *Reserved.*

D. *CONTESTS OF ELECTIONS*

Rule No. 130. *Procedure.*

1. *The Senate shall not dismiss a statement of contest for want of form if any ground of contest is alleged with sufficient certainty to inform the defendant of the charges he or she is required to meet. The following grounds are sufficient, but are not exclusive:*

(a) That the election board or any member thereof was guilty of malfeasance.

(b) That a person who has been declared elected to an office was not at the time of election eligible to that office.

(c) That illegal votes were cast and counted for the defendant, which, if taken from the defendant, will reduce the number of legal votes below the number necessary to elect him or her.

(d) That the election board, in conducting the election or in canvassing the returns, made errors sufficient to change the result of the election as to any person who has been declared elected.

(e) That the defendant has given, or offered to give, to any person a bribe for the purpose of procuring his or her election.

(f) That there was a possible malfunction of any voting or counting device.

2. *The contest must be submitted so far as may be possible upon depositions or by written or oral arguments as the Senate may order. Any party to a contest may take the deposition of any witness at any time after the statement of contest is filed with the Secretary of State and before the contest is finally decided. At least 5 days' notice must be given to the prospective deponent and to the other party. If oral statements are made at any hearing before the Senate or a committee thereof which purport to establish matters of fact, they must be made under oath. Strict rules of evidence do not apply.*

3. *The contestant has the burden of proving that any irregularities shown were of such nature as to establish the probability that the result of the election was changed thereby. After consideration of all the evidence, the Senate shall declare the defendant elected unless the Senate finds from the evidence that a person other than the defendant received the greatest number of legal votes, in which case the Senate shall declare that person elected.*

The next rule is 140.

IX. LEGISLATIVE INVESTIGATIONS

Rule No. 140. *Compensation of Witnesses.*

Witnesses summoned to appear before the Senate, or any of its committees, shall be compensated as provided by law for witnesses required to attend in the courts of the State of Nevada.

Senator Roberson moved the adoption of the resolution.

Resolution adopted unanimously.

By Senators Roberson and Ford:

Senate Resolution No. 2—Providing allowances to the leadership and other members of the Senate for periodicals, stamps, stationery and communications.

Senator Roberson moved the adoption of the resolution.

Remarks by Senator Roberson.

This resolution provides an allowance to Leadership and other members of the Senate for periodicals, postage, stationery and communications for this Session.

Resolution adopted unanimously.

By Senators Roberson and Ford:

Senate Resolution No. 3—Recognizing the appointment of the Senate session staff.

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, That the following persons are elected staff of the Senate for the 78th Session of the Legislature of the State of Nevada: Michael Archer, Lowell Wayne Archer III, Sherwood Atkinson, Matthew Baker, Julia Barker, Martha Barnes, Lynn Berry, Stella Blood, Jan Brase, Colleen K. Brennan, Lauren

Brooks, Debra Burns, Ardyss Canon, Debra Carmichael, Sharon Carter, Marie Cavin, Emily Cervi, Jackie Cheney, Cynthia Clampitt, Eddie Cordisco Jr., Patricia Devereux, Lona Domenici, Suzanne Efford, Catherine Erskine, Gayle Farley, Linda Fehr, Angelica Renee Fletcher, Susan Gaither, Laureen Garcia, Linda Gentry, Jason Gortari, Cassandra Grieve, Shelle Grim-Brooks, Jeanne Harrington-Lloyd, Nate Hauger, Nate Helton, Lynn Hendricks, Gail Herstead, Linda Hiller, Joyce Hollister, Barbara Honey, Miranda Hoover, Judy Jackson, Haley Johnson, Diana Jones, Lynette Jones, Betty Kaminski, Shelley Kyle, Tammy Lubich, John Lukens, Roger Malone, Lezlie Mayville, Susan McArthur, Ann McCarthy, Marilyn McElhany, Emily McIlveene, Toshi McIntosh, Janet Meredith, Robert Milby, Terri Miller, Christine Miner, Arzella Moots, Tamara Nash, Julie Newman, Trish O'Flinn, Blayne Osborn, Jennifer Pearce, Ciria Perez, Teri Peterson, Gena Plummer, Jodi Poley, Alise Porto, Steve Pozzi, Gayle Rankin, Michael Rashmir, Beth Reykers, Tony Rivano, Sherry Lee Rodriguez, Scott Sabraw, Paul Selberg, Jean Spell, Jerry Stacy, Kathleen Swain, Elizabeth Teixeira, Maria Vega, Darlene Velicki, Ellen Walls, Norman Wessel, Connie Westadt, Todd Westergard, Susan Whitford, Mike Wiley, Jeanine M. Wittenberg and Cinthia Zermeno.

Senator Roberson moved the adoption of the resolution.

Remarks by Senator Roberson.

We are, once again, fortunate to have an excellent staff working with us this Session.

Resolution adopted unanimously.

Mr. President announced that if there were no objections, the Senate would recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Senate in recess at 1:41 p.m.

SENATE IN SESSION

At 2:10 p.m.

President Hutchison presiding.

Quorum present.

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND REFERENCE

By Senators Roberson and Ford:

Senate Bill No. 1—AN ACT making an appropriation to the Legislative Fund for the costs of the 78th Legislative Session; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Roberson moved that all necessary rules be suspended, reading so far had considered first reading, and that Senate Bill No. 1 be declared an emergency measure under the Constitution and placed third reading and final passage.

Remarks by Senator Roberson.

This bill is the general appropriations' bill for the cost of the Legislative Session.

Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL FILE AND THIRD READING

Senate Bill No. 1.

Bill read third time.

Roll call on Senate Bill No. 1:

YEAS—19.

NAYS—None.

EXCUSED—Seegerblom, Smith—2.

Senate Bill No. 1 having received a constitutional majority, Mr. President declared it passed.

Senator Roberson moved that all necessary rules be suspended and that the bill be immediately transmitted to the Assembly.

Motion carried unanimously.

Bill ordered transmitted to the Assembly.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

STATE OF NEVADA

EXECUTIVE CHAMBER

CARSON CITY, NEVADA 89701

January 26, 2015

THE HONORABLE MICHAEL ROBERSON

THE HONORABLE JOHN HAMBRICK, Nevada Legislature,

Legislative Building, Nevada 89701

DEAR MAJORITY LEADER ROBERSON AND SPEAKER HAMBRICK:

Please find enclosed the text of my State of the State message to the 78th Session of the Nevada Legislature. As you know, on January 15, 2015, I delivered my message pursuant to Article 5, Section 10 of the Nevada Constitution to a joint gathering of your colleagues and other guests in the Assembly Chambers in Carson City. I look forward to working with you during the upcoming session as we strive to create a better, stronger, more prosperous Nevada on behalf of our constituents.

Sincere regards,

BRIAN SANDOVAL

Governor

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

Senator Roberson moved that in accordance with the provisions of Article 5, Section 10, of the *Nevada Constitution*, that Governor Sandoval's State of the State Address to the Nevada Legislature, as presented to the special committee to receive the Governor's State of the State Address on January 15, 2015, be entered in the Senate Journal for this legislative day.

Motion carried.

STATE OF THE STATE ADDRESS TO THE NEVADA LEGISLATURE

Mr. President, Mr. Speaker, Distinguished Members of the Legislature, Honorable Justices of the Supreme Court, Constitutional Officers, my fellow Nevadans:

I am incredibly grateful and honored that I have the solemn privilege of serving as your Governor. Tonight, I wish to speak with you, not just about the state of our State, but about a plan to modernize and transform Nevada for its next 50 years of success. Let me take a moment to recognize Nevada's First Lady, Kathleen Sandoval, as well as my daughters, Maddy and Marisa, my parents, Ron and Teri Sandoval, and my sister, Lauri.

Tonight we welcome 20 freshmen Legislators. Twenty years ago, I was a freshmen Legislator, so I know exactly how you are feeling. Will all the new Legislators please stand so we can acknowledge your commitment to public service? Sadly, since we last met, a great many former legislators have departed. We lost a Nevada giant in Speaker Joe Dini. A total of 19 legislators will long be remembered for their service. Please join me for a moment of silence in their honor. Thank you.

One month ago today, at the final event of the Nevada Sesquicentennial, I helped seal a time capsule that is now buried at the Capitol. The contents capture a snapshot of the Nevada family today, to be presented to a 200-year-old Nevada in 2064. I wrote a letter to Nevada's bicentennial Governor for the time capsule. As I wrote, I realized that the success or failure of the Governor and people of Nevada in 2064 will largely depend upon our decisions today.

Ladies and gentlemen, we stand at a unique moment in time. Having just completed our Sesquicentennial, we have proudly celebrated our State's history. Tonight we begin writing the next chapter of that story. We must decide if that chapter is about getting through the next two years, or about creating a new Nevada for the generations to come. The most recent chapter of our story required strength and perseverance as we weathered one of the worst economic storms in our history. These times were even more challenging because they coincided with two long and difficult wars.

Even though some said it could not be done, we managed to lay the foundation for a New Nevada: Nevada became one of only six national training sites for unmanned aerial systems. We attracted Tesla in one of the most competitive site selections in our Nation's history. We became the home to dozens of other national brands who now employ Nevadans in industries of the future—cyber security, medicine, aviation, renewable energy, manufacturing, data storage and more.

During my first State of the State Message in 2011, Nevada led the Nation in unemployment. We set a goal then of 50,000 new jobs—we have almost doubled that. Today, Nevada's job growth is third strongest in the country. We have cut our unemployment rate in half, and we have the second fastest growing population in the Nation. We are adding good jobs in almost every sector, with business services, manufacturing, health services, gaming and tourism leading the way. And yet, the success of our State is inextricably linked to the well-being of our most vulnerable citizens. And I believe we have made significant progress in that regard. Two years ago, 23 percent of Nevadans lacked health insurance, the second worst ranking in the Nation. Today, that number has been reduced by more than half, to 11 percent, and we are the fourth most improved state in the country.

The uninsured rate for our children has dropped from 15 percent to 2 percent. Nearly three-fourths of our Medicaid and Nevada Check-Up populations are covered by care management, which saves the state \$13 million, and ensures that Nevadans receive timely, cost-effective and appropriate health care.

In 2013, our behavioral health system was in a crisis. Individuals waited days to access inpatient psychiatric treatment, and emergency rooms were overflowing. Through the work of the Department of Health and Human Services, the specially-created Behavioral Health and Wellness Council, and many others, there have been dramatic improvements. Tonight, I thank them.

We also focused on education. We expanded full-day kindergarten. We created new programs for English language learners. We increased funding for special education, supported school choice through the creation of a Charter School Authority, and dedicated ourselves to college and career ready standards and assessments.

Our colleges and universities modernized their funding formula, rewarding performance and success. We accomplished much in the worst economic crisis since the Great Depression. Because of our collective effort, I believe we now stand at the threshold of a New Nevada—a Nevada prepared to take its place among the most innovative, visionary and well-educated states in the Nation. Although we can never lose our focus on job creation and the economy, we must now turn our attention to Nevada's generations to come, the youth of our state. I featured them at my Inaugural for a reason; they are incredibly talented, hard-working and determined, and it is they who will live with the decisions we make during this legislative session. I know this view is shared by all here assembled. I am relying on the four leaders of this institution—Senator Roberson, Speaker Hambrick, Senator Ford, and Assemblywoman Kirkpatrick, to work with me on what must be done. We have already started, and I thank them for their leadership.

It's no mystery. Nevada's new companies will need a highly skilled workforce. Our historic industries do as well. Improving our public education system must therefore begin with modernization, and modernization requires investment. But our investment cannot be buying

more of the same. We have to own the fact that our K-12 system does not need to improve, it must improve.

Today's public education system was largely established in the 1950's, when public leaders responded to challenges similar to what we confront today. Rapid enrollment growth spurred voters to implement the first State Sales Tax in 1955. Governor Russell and the Legislature went even further, consolidating over 150 local school districts into the current 17, based on county lines. This made sense in 1955. Nevada's entire population at that time was just 237,000 people—roughly two-thirds the number of students in Clark county.

In 1967, educational needs again required leadership, and the Legislature enacted the Nevada Plan for School Finance. This plan sought to stabilize state funding to local districts. In that year, Nevada's entire population was roughly 450,000—less than today's total enrollment in all public schools. Not only was the Silver State less populated 50 years ago, Nevadans were financially better off. From the end of World War II until the late 1960's, Nevada's per capita income was among the highest in the West.

In contrast, today, almost one out of four children in Nevada lives in poverty. Our population is also much more diverse. Nevada is a different place. America is a different place. The world is a different place. Yet we rely on the same public education governance and financing models established 50 years ago. I submit to you this evening that an education system for this century requires bold new ideas to meet the reality of our time. I am asking the Legislature to join me in beginning the work of comprehensive modernization of our education system to meet the needs of today's students and the New Nevada.

This work begins with our youngest learners. Nevada has the lowest preschool attendance of any state in the Nation. Thanks to a recent federal grant, and matching funds provided in my budget, we will improve this worst-in-the-country statistic. My budget also finishes what we started two years ago, the expansion of all Day Kindergarten to every elementary school in Nevada. These two efforts provide a foundation for the future success of all our children.

We must also improve our students' reading skills. Studies show that a child's chances of graduating from high school are cut in half if they are not reading at grade level by third grade. I will therefore work with Senator Becky Harris and the Senate Committee on Education to introduce a "Read by Three" bill to help ensure every student is reading by third grade. My budget includes nearly \$30 million to support this literacy effort.

My budget also begins modernizing our classrooms through instructional technology. Today, we invest less than \$4 million over the biennium in school technology. My budget will launch the Nevada Ready 21 Plan. This plan will put digital devices in the hands of middle school students throughout Nevada and ensure teachers have the necessary training for this new environment. Nearly \$50 Million will be invested.

As we expand technology, we must take steps to protect privacy. I encourage this Legislature to work with the various stakeholders to enact legislation protecting student data.

Our most troubling education statistic is Nevada's worst-in-the-Nation high school graduation rate. We have to do better. My budget includes a new grants program designed to ensure students are college and career ready by graduation—as well as a significant expansion of Career and Technical Education, Jobs for America's Graduates and STEM education. In total, this effort will make over \$20 million available to our high schools. We must remember that the new Nevada will be different in other ways from 50 years ago. Our students are different, and their needs are different.

The 40-year-old Nevada Plan for School Finance must be modernized to consider the needs of individual students. A better alternative uses "weighted formulas" where students with differing needs would receive additional dollars based on a percentage of the base amount. In the second year of the coming biennium, my budget will establish the first of these funding categories in Special Education and then work toward a final weighted formula. Other categories will follow in subsequent years.

Last Session we introduced for the first time additional resources for Nevada's English language learners. We created the Zoom Schools, and early indicators point to the kind of success we expected. My budget doubles our original investment for a total of \$100 million this biennium. But English language learners are not the only school population with differing needs. My budget includes \$50 million for students in the most impoverished parts of our State. Their

schools require a solution to win the struggles their students have every day. I propose calling them "Victory Schools," signifying our commitment to help these students overcome adversity.

We have also historically neglected our gifted and talented learners, allocating less than \$200,000 per year for these students. My recommended budget provides \$10 million to establish a true Gifted and Talented Learner allocation. These initiatives represent a down payment on total modernization of the Nevada Plan.

Legislation this Session will also adjust when we count student enrollment, increase transparency in the funding model, ensure money reaches the classroom, and modernize equity allocation. A hard reality of today's Nevada schools is that they are simply overcrowded and need maintenance. Imagine sitting in a high school class in Las Vegas with over forty students and no air conditioning. The need is real. Therefore, I will support legislation to approve a temporary rollover of bonding authority for the construction and maintenance of local schools, with state oversight.

While many must recognize the hard truth that our education system will not improve without more funding, others must accept the reality that improvements will not be made without accountability measures, collective bargaining reform, and school choice. Our new investment must come with performance measures and accountability. We will only pay for programs that make a difference in the lives of students.

I will again support Opportunity Scholarships, giving tax credits to businesses that provide tuition-based scholarships for at-risk students to attend private schools. Through the leadership of Assemblywoman Woodbury, the Assembly Committee on Education will introduce this legislation. I will sign it when it reaches my desk.

I support legislation that increases the quality of public charter schools. My budget provides \$20 million in matching funding to encourage successful, proven charter school organizations to open more charter schools in Nevada. Based on recent events, I have concluded that local school boards should be appointed, not elected. Although well intended, some of these boards have become disconnected from their communities. I will therefore support legislation to provide for the appointment of members of local school boards.

We must also recognize that Nevada's school districts may be too large or too small. Today, they range in size from 74 students in Esmeralda County to over 318,000 students in Clark County. I will introduce legislation that allows local governments to create smaller school districts in our urban counties, and consolidate school districts in our rural counties. I will also support legislation to enact true collective bargaining reform in our school system.

In 2011, I asked the Legislature for a more balanced approach to contract negotiations. Most bills never had a hearing. I again stand ready to work with you to ensure that employee compensation is fair, but also recognizes the need for reform. We cannot expect that governance and financing models alone will address the underlying issues that prevent many students from learning. Achieving meaningful public school reform also means addressing the environment in which our children learn.

Our First Lady has long been a champion for our youth. In recent months, she has focused her abundant energies on hunger in our schools. Responding to recommendations from the Food Security Task Force, my budget includes \$2 million to expand breakfast in the classroom—and legislation will be introduced to leverage federal spending in this area.

The onset of the internet, texting, Twitter, Snapchat, Facebook and other technologies has introduced new stressors in the lives of our youth, without necessary coping skills. Many have nowhere to turn, resulting in lower grades, school absence, and in the worst cases, violence and tragedy. The price paid by some is staggering. With us tonight from Las Vegas are Mary Bryan, Aimee Hairr, and Jason Lamberth, whose children were the victims of school bullying. Unfortunately, these parents are not alone.

Over 4,000 incidents of bullying and cyberbullying were reported in Nevada during the last school year. I will work with Senator Parks and Assemblywoman Spiegel, champions of school safety and anti-bullying efforts, to propose legislation this session to reform Nevada's anti-bullying laws. In addition, a new Office for Safe and Respectful Learning will administer \$36 million in grants for social workers in our schools, as recommended by the Behavioral Health and Wellness Council. Teachers and principals who lead our schools also deserve our support through investment and accountability. We must empower them. That is why I am

introducing legislation to strengthen the current pay for performance laws. We will require districts to set aside money to reward the very best teachers and principals, and to attract them to teach at underperforming schools.

I have also substantially increased the State's commitment to professional development through a Great Teaching and Leading Fund. These funds will be used to improve the teaching profession, attract new teachers, and train the kind of school leaders we need.

Finally, we must acknowledge that far too many of our schools are persistently failing. Tomorrow our Department of Education will release a list of underperforming schools. The list includes 10 percent of the schools in our State. Many have been failing for more than a decade. We must draw a line in the sand and say "no more." I am therefore requesting the creation of an "Achievement School District". This unique school district will manage failing schools without regard to location. I have asked former Washoe County Superintendent Pedro Martinez to help with this initiative as a Superintendent in Residence with the Nevada Department of Education. Pedro is here tonight, and I thank him for his leadership on this critical issue.

This is my plan to improve education. We will make investments from early learning through high school graduation. We will support enhancements in technology, students at risk, gifted students, teachers and principals, school choice, and construction. We will tie those investments to performance, with targeted grants wherever possible. There will be no blank check. We will revise collective bargaining laws. We will also modernize and transform the system. We will ensure that our students are ready for success in college and careers.

Today, only one out of three Nevadans have the benefit of education or training after high school. Yet we know the jobs of the future will require two-thirds of us to have post high-school credentials. The new Nevada will need more scientists, machinists, engineers, computer programmers, welders and other STEM workers to grow our new industries. Our colleges and universities are the key.

Last Session we took steps to introduce performance funding to the Nevada System of Higher Education. The institutions responded, and tonight, I am pleased to announce additional investments in our colleges and universities. My budget includes new operating funds in the amount of \$76 million for higher education, plus \$24 million in bond funding for capital construction.

The Nevada System of Higher Education sees a growth of over 8 percent in State support over the next budget cycle. A UNLV hotel school is funded with \$24 million. There is absolutely no reason why the best hotel school in the Nation should be anywhere but Las Vegas.

Las Vegas also needs a medical school. It is the largest metropolitan area in the Nation without one. The Board of Regents has recognized this need and I am pleased to provide the first \$9.3 million for the initial costs of establishing the new UNLV medical school. Although we will establish a medical school at UNLV, Nevada needs more doctors now. My budget includes \$10 million in new funding for graduate medical education to attract and retain the best new doctors in America to train and stay in Nevada.

All in—from pre-school through graduate school—the proposals I have outlined tonight will invest \$882 million in education in our State over the next two years.

Ladies and gentlemen, I do not make these proposals lightly. I know they represent a change in the way we approach education. But I also know that our system has to improve and that every child deserves the opportunity to succeed. This investment in our children and transformation of our education system is absolutely necessary. So, tonight, I ask for your help in creating the funding base to pay for it.

For four years, we have held the line on spending. Temporary revenue measures, cuts, and efficiencies were necessary—we sought to get Nevada working again, and we did it. Businesses were able to get back on their feet and plan for the future. We also cut red tape and improved state government. Yet caseload growth, school enrollment, and infrastructure needs place new pressures on State spending every single day.

In the current fiscal year, despite an improving economy and record job growth, we would be unable to pay our bills without significant adjustments to the approved spending plan. This year alone we are \$150 million below forecasts—in a time of economic recovery. Our current revenue structures do not keep up with growth. The Economic Forum set available General Fund revenues for the next biennium at approximately \$6.3 billion. Our current biennial budget is

\$6.6 billion. For the coming budget cycle, the Forum projects General Fund revenues will only be slightly more than the 2005-2007 budget—ten years ago.

By contrast, in the same decade, Nevada's population increased by some 335,000 people; K-12 enrollment increased by over 55,000 students, and the number of Nevadans in many social service programs more than doubled. The budget I am proposing includes \$7.3 billion in General Fund spending—significantly less than agency requests. But it begins the strategic investment in the education that we require.

I believe this is necessary, even critical, for our future. We must also consider sensible reform to the Public Employee Retirement System and the way we pay state employees. My budget will no longer require state employees to take furloughs. State employees have made great sacrifices, and I thank them for their service to the people of Nevada.

Tonight I am asking this legislature to work with me to ensure that Nevada moves forward. To close the gap between proposed revenue and projected spending, I am offering a two-part solution. Like so many of these new proposals, it provides an opportunity for modernization.

First, the so-called "sunset taxes" must be continued to cover basic expenditures. They provide revenue not only for the General Fund but also the Distributive School Account. It is time we are honest with ourselves—these revenues are now a part of our comprehensive budget.

Second, we must identify new sources of revenue. \$132 million can be found through changes to existing state law, and this will help address some structural issues. But we must fully fund the education initiatives I have outlined. I am proposing a broad-based solution that asks Nevada business to invest in our education system. By modifying the existing Business License Fee to a graduated scale, we will generate over \$430 million in the next two years—funding equal to the investment in Pre-K through twelfth grade that I am proposing in this budget.

I realize these decisions are difficult. I know I am asking a lot from the business community. But I have explored every option and find this to be the broadest, least complicated, and fairest solution. Business License Fees will be immediately available, something that is critical for our budget. And this revenue will grow as the economy grows in the years ahead.

I know this approach will cause debate. You will all find that there is no perfect solution. What we must all agree on is that another generation of young Nevadans cannot move through our schools without more resources, choice and reform—and that we must modernize our revenue system.

Together we must establish a plan to continually improve the Silver State. We have an opportunity to show that Nevada leads. Nevada is poised to lead the Nation in the technology sector. My budget includes funding to re-ignite the Governor's Office of Science, Innovation and Technology. It will bring focus to our STEM strategy and coordinate broadband connectivity so that our schools, telemedicine, and communities have the necessary access to fiber technology.

It will also administer STEM Workforce Challenge Grants as envisioned by the recent Brookings Institute report. And, tonight I am pleased to announce the expansion of one of Southern Nevada's homegrown technology companies. Switch, the world's largest data center, is poised to expand to Northern Nevada, bringing \$1 billion of investment with it. Switch also plans 1 million square feet of new data center space in Las Vegas, for a total investment of \$2 billion. This will make Nevada the most digitally connected state in the Nation.

The list of companies wanting to do business in Nevada keeps growing. But Nevada's unemployment rate is still too high. Much of the persistent unemployment can be attributed to construction jobs, which were cut in half in the last recession. Getting housing construction back to pre-recession levels would create thousands of new jobs. I am calling on the Legislature to pass reasonable construction defect reforms to revive our housing market, and bring new jobs to Nevadans.

We can lead by spurring construction in other areas as well. The Department of Transportation's Project NEON will invest \$250 million to improve southern Nevada's I-15, reduce congestion, and create construction jobs. Other statewide projects will use another \$230 million for construction, maintenance, and future planning.

In Las Vegas, the Convention and Visitors Authority is helping us remain competitive with the proposed Global Business District. This district will add crucial new technology that conventions demand, and it will add new trade show space that could generate \$700 million in

economic impact every year. This project is critical to maintaining Las Vegas as the entertainment and convention capital of the world.

Threats to the sagebrush ecosystem, and the resulting potential impacts to Nevada's wildlife, agriculture and mining, offer another area where Nevada can lead. I will continue to support Nevada's cutting edge plan to protect our habitats and avoid a listing of the Greater Sage Grouse.

Our long history of cultural preservation provides another opportunity for Nevada to lead. My budget includes funding to begin planning for the Stewart Native American Historic Experience. This project will restore the Stewart Indian School in Carson City, and create a one-of-a-kind Cultural Welcome Center focusing upon our Nevada tribes. Tribal leaders are with us this evening and I thank and welcome these heads of state to this chamber.

I am keenly aware that Autism Spectrum Disorder impacts 1 in every 68 children. Estimated projections indicate nearly 6,000 children in Nevada have Autism Spectrum Disorder. We must meet the needs of these children as early diagnosis and treatment have life changing consequences. Through increased state support and better use of federal resources, overall funding will increase from \$1.8 million when I took office, to \$73 million.

My administration is also proposing to centralize eleven agencies within the Department of Business and Industry into a convenient one-stop shop—the Nevada State Business Center. This Las Vegas complex will reduce costs and provide better service to our business community.

Nevada also leads through service. I proclaimed 2014 to be "The Year of the Veteran". This was part of the Green Zone Initiative, Nevada's nationally recognized veterans' services effort. Over the last two years, our veteran's cemeteries have received millions of dollars in grants to continue to provide dignity, honor, and respect for our fallen. We doubled the number of veterans' service officers, and as a result, Nevada veterans have received an additional \$50 million annually, tripling the amount from three years ago. Unfortunately, our Southern Nevada Veterans Home is at capacity, and Northern Nevadans have no veterans' home of their own. My budget contains \$14 million in bond funds to build the Northern Nevada Veterans Home. Our veterans deserve nothing less. Seated among us tonight are six veterans, each representing a different conflict from our Nation's history, and they embody the spirit of how Nevada Leads: Radioman 1st class Bill Parsons of Sparks served in the U.S. Navy Submarine service during World War II. Retired First Sergeant Chuck Harton of Reno served in World War II and Korea. Erwin "Moe" McQueen of Ely served as an Army Infantryman in Vietnam. Air Force Master Sergeant B.J. Jefferson of Las Vegas served during the Gulf War, Iraq and Afghanistan. Amy Wallin of Reno served in the Coast Guard during the Global War on Terrorism. National Guard Captain Denisse Ramos of Las Vegas deployed three times—twice to Iraq and once to Afghanistan. Please join me in thanking these American heroes.

Ladies and gentlemen, Nevada stands at a threshold. We live in a State that is transforming before our eyes—with 21st Century companies, jobs and technologies that place us at the forefront of innovation and technology, yet we still operate with decades-old funding systems and an education structure that will eventually grind us to an inevitable halt. I know we have the ability, willingness, and determination to do what is necessary. We all want to tell our grandchildren that we were the architects of the New Nevada—that we were here when Nevada needed us most. Those before us rose to the challenges of their time and built the foundation of the state we love. The Sesquicentennial celebration highlighted those achievements. But, tonight, as we close the chapter on 150 years of history, this is our time, and we must resolve to make our own history.

I am a son of the Silver State. I love our people; I am proud of who we are, and I am optimistic about what we can become. I truly believe Nevada's best days are yet to come. I know you feel the same way. We may stand for different causes. We may wear different political jerseys. We may have different beliefs. But we are united in our desire to move Nevada forward with a transformed education system, a healthy citizenry, safe and livable communities, a vibrant economy, and an efficient and responsive State government.

With our spirit of perseverance and courage, we must dare to write the next chapter of the Nevada story. A story that Nevadans in 2064 will look back on and say, "they did it right." I ask us all to rise above that which seems easy. I ask us to lead. I ask us to lead, so that the new Nevada can lead.

Thank you; God bless you, and God bless the great State of Nevada.

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 STATE OF NEVADA
 DEPARTMENT OF STATE
 CARSON CITY, NEVADA 89701

January 9, 2015

CLAIRE J. CLIFT, *Secretary of the Senate*, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada
 89701-4747

DEAR MS. CLIFT:

This letter is in acknowledgment of the transfer of Senate Bills Nos. 185, 221, 312, 373, 457, of the 77th Legislative Session, which were vetoed by the Governor after the end of the 77th Legislative Session. The enclosed, engrossed and enrolled copies of Senate Bill Nos. 185, 221, 312, 373 and 457, all of the 77th Session, are being transferred to the 78th Legislative Session pursuant to the Nevada Constitution Article 4, Section 35, from the Secretary of State's Office to your office as of the above date.

If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to contact the Elections Division at (775) 684-5705.

Respectfully,

BARBARA K. CEGAVSKE

Secretary of State

By: SCOTT F. GILLES

Deputy Secretary for Elections

January 9, 2015

CLAIRE J. CLIFT, *Secretary of the Senate*, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada
 89701-4747

DEAR MS. CLIFT:

This letter is in acknowledgement of the transfer of Senate Joint Resolutions Nos. 8 and 13, of the 77th Legislative Session pursuant to NRS 218D.800(2) S.J.R. 8 is from the 77th Legislative Session and was assigned number 43. S.J.R. 13 is from the 77th Legislative Session and was assigned filed number 53. The enclosed, engrossed and enrolled versions of these joint resolutions are being transferred from the Secretary of State's Office to your office as of the above date.

If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to contact the Elections Division at (775) 684-5705.

Respectfully,

BARBARA K. CEGAVSKE

Secretary of State

By: SCOTT F. GILLES

Deputy Secretary for Elections

February 2, 2015

CLAIRE J. CLIFT, *Secretary of the Senate*, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada
 89701-4747

Re: Initiative to Regulate and Tax Marijuana

DEAR MS. CLIFT:

Pursuant to the Nevada Constitution, Article 19, Section 2, the Secretary of State's Office is required to transmit to the Nevada Legislature any initiative petition proposing a constitutional amendment or statewide measure, which is filed with this office and deemed sufficient, as soon as the Nevada Legislature convenes and organizes. In compliance with the Nevada Constitution, enclosed please find the "Initiative to Regulate and Tax Marijuana" petition.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at (775) 684-5705.

Respectfully,

BARBARA K. CEGAVSKE

Secretary of State

By: SCOTT F. GILLES

Deputy Secretary for Elections

February 2, 2015

CLAIRE J. CLIFT, *Secretary of the Senate*, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada
89701-4747

Re: The Background Check Initiative

DEAR MS. CLIFT:

Pursuant to the Nevada Constitution, Article 19, Section 2, the Secretary of State's Office is required to transmit to the Nevada Legislature any initiative petition proposing a constitutional amendment or statewide measure, which is filed with this office and deemed sufficient, as soon as the Nevada Legislature convenes and organizes. In compliance with the Nevada Constitution enclosed please find the "The Background Check Initiative" petition.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at (775) 684-5705.

Respectfully,

BARBARA K. CEGAVSKE
Secretary of State

By: SCOTT F. GILLES
Deputy Secretary for Elections

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February 2, 2015

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE NEVADA STATE SENATE:

On behalf of Carson City, I extend to you our warmest welcome. Carson City takes pride in being the capital of our great State, and it is our desire to share that pride with each of you, your families and staff during the 78th Session of the Nevada Legislature. We understand that the press of legislative business may leave little personal time, but we wish to make what time you have in our community as enjoyable as possible.

We are proud to have recently earned the designation the most travel-worthy state capital in the nation. Consistent with that designation, we have many fine dining establishments that are sure to please the palate of even the most discriminating connoisseur. We are also proud to have earned the prestigious designations as both a runner and bicycle friendly community, and as such, we invite you to experience any of the many urban and rural walking, hiking, jogging and biking trails developed in the over 6,000 acres of open space in and around Carson City and its foothills, additionally, we invite you to attend one of the many cultural and charitable events that will occur during your stay.

Please do not hesitate to call on us if you need any assistance in our City.

In closing, please accept our sincere appreciation for your work on behalf of our State.

Sincerely,

ROBERT L. CROWELL
Mayor

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

Senator Roberson moved that vetoed Senate Bills Nos. 185, 221, 312, 373, 457 of the 77th Session be made a Special Order of Business for Tuesday, February 10, 2015, at 11:15 a.m.

Motion carried.

By Senators Segerblom, Kihuen, Spearman, Woodhouse and Assemblymen Flores, Benitez-Thompson and Frierson.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 8 of the 77th Session—Proposing to amend the Nevada Constitution to provide for limited annual regular legislative sessions and for legislative compensation and expenses to be paid in a manner fixed and determined by law.

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, JOINTLY, That Section 2 of Article 4 of the Nevada Constitution be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2. 1. The *regular* sessions of the Legislature shall be ~~biennial, and shall commence on the 1st Monday of February following the election of members of the Assembly, unless~~ *annual as set forth in this section, but the Governor of the State or the members of the Legislature* ~~shall~~ *may, on extraordinary occasions in the interim* ~~in special sessions only as authorized by this Constitution.~~

2. ~~The~~ *In each odd-numbered year, the Legislature shall commence the regular session on the first Monday of February and shall adjourn sine die* ~~each regular session~~ *not later than midnight Pacific time at the end of the 90th legislative day or the 120th consecutive calendar day of that session, whichever occurs first, inclusive of the day on which that session commences. Any legislative action taken after midnight Pacific time at the end of the 90th legislative day or the 120th consecutive calendar day of that session, whichever occurs first, is void, unless the legislative action is* ~~conducted~~ *taken during a special session.*

3. *In each even-numbered year, the Legislature shall commence the regular session on the first Tuesday of March and shall adjourn sine die not later than midnight Pacific time at the end of the 30th legislative day or the 45th consecutive calendar day of that session, whichever occurs first, inclusive of the day on which that session commences. Any legislative action taken after midnight Pacific time at the end of the 30th legislative day or the 45th consecutive calendar day of that session, whichever occurs first, is void, unless the legislative action is taken during a special session.*

4. The Governor shall submit to the Legislature:

(a) *The proposed executive budget* ~~to the Legislature~~ *not later than 14 calendar days before the commencement of each regular session* ~~held in an odd-numbered year.~~

(b) *Any proposed appropriations or proposed revisions to the executive budget not later than 14 calendar days before the commencement of each regular session held in an even-numbered year.*

5. For the purposes of this section ~~,"midnight"~~:

(a) *"Legislative day" means any calendar day on which either House of the Legislature is in session or any legislative committee holds a meeting during a session.*

(b) *"Midnight Pacific time" must be determined based on the actual measure of time that, on the final calendar or legislative day of the session, whichever occurs first, is being used and observed by the general population as the uniform time for the portion of Nevada which lies within the Pacific time zone, or any legal successor to the Pacific time zone, and which includes the seat of government of this State as designated by Section 1 of Article 15 of this Constitution. The Legislature and its members, officers and employees shall not employ any device, pretense or fiction that adjusts, evades or ignores this measure of time for the purpose of extending the duration of the session.*

And be it further

RESOLVED, That Section 33 of Article 4 of the Nevada Constitution be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 33. The members of the Legislature shall receive for their services a compensation to be fixed by law and paid out of the public treasury ~~for not to exceed 60 days during any regular session of the Legislature and not to exceed 20 days during any special session;~~ *at regular intervals determined by law, but no increase of such compensation shall take effect during the term for which the members of either* ~~house~~ *House shall have been elected; Provided, that an appropriation may be made for the payment of such actual expenses as members of the Legislature may incur* ~~for postage, express charges, newspapers and stationery not exceeding the sum of Sixty dollars~~ *for any* ~~general~~ *regular or special session to each member; and Furthermore Provided, that the Speaker of the Assembly* ~~and~~ *Lieutenant Governor, as President of the Senate, shall*

each, during the time of their actual attendance as such presiding officers , receive an additional allowance of two dollars per diem.

And be it further

RESOLVED, That Section 6 of Article 11 of the Nevada Constitution be amended to read as follows:

~~[Section]~~ Sec. 6. 1. In addition to other means provided for the support and maintenance of said university and common schools, the legislature shall provide for their support and maintenance by direct legislative appropriation from the general fund, upon the presentation of budgets in the manner required by law.

2. During a regular session of the Legislature ~~[]~~ *in any odd-numbered year*, before any other appropriation is enacted to fund a portion of the state budget for the next ensuing biennium, the Legislature shall enact one or more appropriations to provide the money the Legislature deems to be sufficient, when combined with the local money reasonably available for this purpose, to fund the operation of the public schools in the State for kindergarten through grade 12 for the next ensuing biennium for the population reasonably estimated for that biennium.

3. During a special session of the Legislature that is held between the end of a regular session *in an odd-numbered year* in which the Legislature has not enacted the appropriation or appropriations required by subsection 2 to fund education for the next ensuing biennium and the first day of that next ensuing biennium, before any other appropriation is enacted other than appropriations required to pay the cost of that special session, the Legislature shall enact one or more appropriations to provide the money the Legislature deems to be sufficient, when combined with the local money reasonably available for this purpose, to fund the operation of the public schools in the State for kindergarten through grade 12 for the next ensuing biennium for the population reasonably estimated for that biennium.

4. During a special session of the Legislature that is held in a biennium for which the Legislature has not enacted the appropriation or appropriations required by subsection 2 to fund education for the biennium in which the special session is being held, before any other appropriation is enacted other than appropriations required to pay the cost of that special session, the Legislature shall enact one or more appropriations to provide the money the Legislature deems to be sufficient, when combined with the local money reasonably available for this purpose, to fund the operation of the public schools in the State for kindergarten through grade 12 for the population reasonably estimated for the biennium in which the special session is held.

5. Any appropriation of money enacted in violation of subsection 2, 3 or 4 is void.

6. As used in this section, "biennium" means a period of two fiscal years beginning on July 1 of an odd-numbered year and ending on June 30 of the next ensuing odd-numbered year.

And be it further

RESOLVED, That Section 12 of Article 17 of the Nevada Constitution be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 12. The first regular session of the Legislature shall commence on the second Monday of December A.D. Eighteen hundred and Sixty Four, and the second regular session of the same shall commence on the first Monday of January A.D. Eighteen hundred and Sixty Six; and the third regular session of the Legislature shall be the first of the biennial sessions, and shall commence on the first Monday of January A.D. Eighteen hundred and Sixty Seven; and the regular sessions of the Legislature shall be held thereafter ~~[biennially]~~.

And be it further

RESOLVED, That Section 2 of Article 19 of the Nevada Constitution be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2. 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 1 of Article 4 of this Constitution, but subject to the limitations of Section 6 of this Article, the people reserve to themselves the power to propose, by initiative petition, statutes and amendments to statutes and amendments to this Constitution, and to enact or reject them at the polls.

2. An initiative petition shall be in the form required by Section 3 of this Article and shall be proposed by a number of registered voters equal to 10 percent or more of the number of voters who voted at the last preceding general election in not less than 75 percent of the counties in the State, but the total number of registered voters signing the initiative petition shall be equal to 10 percent or more of the voters who voted in the entire State at the last preceding general election.

3. If the initiative petition proposes a statute or an amendment to a statute, the person who intends to circulate it shall file a copy with the Secretary of State before beginning circulation and not earlier than ~~January 1 of the year preceding the year in which a~~ *1 year before the commencement of the regular session of the Legislature [is held]* to which the petition will be transmitted. After its circulation, it shall be filed with the Secretary of State not less than 30 days ~~(prior to any)~~ *before the commencement of the regular session of the Legislature [] to which the petition will be transmitted.* The circulation of the petition shall cease on the day the petition is filed with the Secretary of State or such other date as may be prescribed for the verification of the number of signatures affixed to the petition, whichever is earliest. The Secretary of State shall transmit such petition to the Legislature as soon as the Legislature convenes and organizes. The petition shall take precedence over all other measures except appropriation bills, and the statute or amendment to a statute proposed thereby shall be enacted or rejected by the Legislature without change or amendment within 40 days. If the proposed statute or amendment to a statute is enacted by the Legislature and approved by the Governor in the same manner as other statutes are enacted, such statute or amendment to a statute shall become law, but shall be subject to referendum petition as provided in Section 1 of this Article. If the statute or amendment to a statute is rejected by the Legislature, or if no action is taken thereon within 40 days, the Secretary of State shall submit the question of approval or disapproval of such statute or amendment to a statute to a vote of the voters at the next succeeding general election. If a majority of the voters voting on such question at such election votes approval of such statute or amendment to a statute, it shall become law and take effect upon completion of the canvass of votes by the Supreme Court. An initiative measure so approved by the voters shall not be amended, annulled, repealed, set aside or suspended by the Legislature within 3 years from the date it takes effect. If a majority of such voters votes disapproval of such statute or amendment to a statute, no further action shall be taken on such petition. If the Legislature rejects such proposed statute or amendment, the Governor may recommend to the Legislature and the Legislature may propose a different measure on the same subject, in which event, after such different measure has been approved by the Governor, the question of approval or disapproval of each measure shall be submitted by the Secretary of State to a vote of the voters at the next succeeding general election. If the conflicting provisions submitted to the voters are both approved by a majority of the voters voting on such measures, the measure which receives the largest number of affirmative votes shall thereupon become law. If at the session of the Legislature to which an initiative petition proposing an amendment to a statute is presented which the Legislature rejects or upon which it takes no action, the Legislature amends the statute which the petition proposes to amend in a respect which does not conflict in substance with the proposed amendment, the Secretary of State in submitting the statute to the voters for approval or disapproval of the proposed amendment shall include the amendment made by the Legislature.

4. If the initiative petition proposes an amendment to the Constitution, the person who intends to circulate it shall file a copy with the Secretary of State before beginning circulation and not earlier than September 1 of the year before the year in which the election is to be held. After its circulation it shall be filed with the Secretary of State not less than 90 days before any regular general election at which the question of approval or disapproval of such amendment may be voted upon by the voters of the entire State. The circulation of the petition shall cease on the day the petition is filed with the Secretary of State or such other date as may be prescribed for the verification of the number of signatures affixed to the petition, whichever is earliest. The Secretary of State shall cause to be published in a newspaper of general circulation, on three separate occasions, in each county in the State, together with any explanatory matter which shall be placed upon the

ballot, the entire text of the proposed amendment. If a majority of the voters voting on such question at such election votes disapproval of such amendment, no further action shall be taken on the petition. If a majority of such voters votes approval of such amendment, the Secretary of State shall publish and resubmit the question of approval or disapproval to a vote of the voters at the next succeeding general election in the same manner as such question was originally submitted. If a majority of such voters votes disapproval of such amendment, no further action shall be taken on such petition. If a majority of such voters votes approval of such amendment, it shall, unless precluded by subsection 5 or 6, become a part of this Constitution upon completion of the canvass of votes by the Supreme Court.

5. If two or more measures which affect the same section of a statute or of the Constitution are finally approved pursuant to this Section, or an amendment to the Constitution is finally so approved and an amendment proposed by the Legislature is ratified which affect the same section, by the voters at the same election:

(a) If all can be given effect without contradiction in substance, each shall be given effect.

(b) If one or more contradict in substance the other or others, the measure which received the largest favorable vote, and any other approved measure compatible with it, shall be given effect. If the one or more measures that contradict in substance the other or others receive the same number of favorable votes, none of the measures that contradict another shall be given effect.

6. If, at the same election as the first approval of a constitutional amendment pursuant to this Section, another amendment is finally approved pursuant to this Section, or an amendment proposed by the Legislature is ratified, which affects the same section of the Constitution but is compatible with the amendment given first approval, the Secretary of State shall publish and resubmit at the next general election the amendment given first approval as a further amendment to the section as amended by the amendment given final approval or ratified. If the amendment finally approved or ratified contradicts in substance the amendment given first approval, the Secretary of State shall not submit the amendment given first approval to the voters again.

Senator Farley moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections.

Motion carried.

By Senators Segerblom, Spearman, Parks, Atkinson, Ford, Denis, Kihuen, Manendo, Woodhouse; Assemblymen Elliot Anderson, Ohrenschall, Martin, Healey, Aizley, Hogan and Swank:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 13 of the 77th Session—Proposing to amend the Nevada Constitution to require the recognition of all marriages, regardless of gender.

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, JOINTLY, That Section 21 of Article 1 of the Nevada Constitution be amended to read as follows:

~~{See-} Sec. 21. {Limitation on recognition} Recognition of marriage. {Only a marriage between a male and female person shall be recognized and given effect in this state.}~~

1. *The State of Nevada and its political subdivisions shall recognize marriages and issue marriage licenses to couples, regardless of gender.*

2. *Religious organizations and clergy have the right to refuse to solemnize a marriage and no person has the right to make any claim against a religious organization or clergy for such a refusal.*

3. *All legally valid marriages shall be treated equally under the law.*

Senator Farley moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections.

Motion carried.

By Senators Goicoechea, Gustavson; Assemblymen Ellison, Hansen, Oscarson, Wheeler, Hambrick, Dooling, Fiore and Kirner:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 1—Urging Congress to enact legislation transferring title to certain public lands to the State of Nevada in accordance with the report prepared by the Nevada Land Management Task Force.

Senator Goicoechea moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections.

Motion carried.

By Senators Goicoechea, Gustavson; Assemblymen Ellison, Hansen and Oscarson:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 2—Urging Congress to require the sharing of federal receipts from commercial activity on certain public lands with the State of Nevada and its counties.

Senator Goicoechea moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 3—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.

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 ~~is~~ and ~~his~~ eligibility ~~is~~ of the Lieutenant Governor shall ~~also~~ be the same ~~as for the Governor.~~

2. The Lieutenant Governor shall be President of the Senate, but shall only have a casting vote therein.

3. If during a Vacancy of the office of Governor, the Lieutenant Governor shall be impeached, displaced, resign, die, or become incapable of performing the duties of the office, or be absent from the State, the President pro-tempore of the Senate shall act as Governor until the vacancy be filled or the disability cease.

Senator Farley moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections.

Motion carried.

By Senator Woodhouse:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 4—Urging Congress to enact the Marketplace Fairness Act.

Senator Woodhouse moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 5—Expressing support for the 2014 Nevada Greater Sage-Grouse Conservation Plan developed by the Sagebrush Ecosystem Council and urging the United States Fish and Wildlife Service not to list the greater sage-grouse as an endangered or threatened species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973.

Senator Farley moved that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections.

Motion carried.

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND REFERENCE

By Senator Gustavson:

Senate Bill No. 2—AN ACT relating to vehicles; increasing the maximum speed at which a person may drive or operate a vehicle; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Motion carried.

By Senator Gustavson:

Senate Bill No. 3—AN ACT relating to public safety; requiring the Department of Motor Vehicles to establish a registry of emergency contact information for certain persons who possess a driver's license or identification card; requiring certain law enforcement personnel to use the registry to notify an emergency contact person regarding any persons involved in a motor vehicle accident; providing immunity from liability to the Department and others with access to the registry for certain acts and omissions related to the registry; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Motion carried.

By Senator Settelmeyer:

Senate Bill No. 4—AN ACT relating to trapping; providing exemptions from certain registration requirements for a trap, snare or similar device used in the trapping of wild mammals on private property; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

Motion carried.

By Senator Settlemeyer:

Senate Bill No. 5—AN ACT relating to elections; providing that a candidate for nonpartisan office who receives a majority of the votes cast in a primary election or certain primary city elections must be declared the winner and not be placed on the ballot at a general election; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Health and Human Services:

Senate Bill No. 6—AN ACT relating to health care; providing for the creation of the Office for Patient-Centered Medical Homes within the Division of Public and Behavioral Health of the Department of Health and Human Services; requiring certification before a primary care practice may operate as a patient-centered medical home; authorizing the creation of the Advisory Council on Patient-Centered Medical Homes; authorizing insurers that register with the Office to provide payments and incentives to such medical homes; requiring the Administrator of the Division to evaluate patient-centered medical homes and provide certain oversight; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Health and Human Services:

Senate Bill No. 7—AN ACT relating to mental health; expanding the list of persons authorized to file an application for the emergency admission of a person alleged to be a person with mental illness and a petition for the involuntary admission of such a person to certain facilities or programs; expanding the list of persons authorized to complete a certificate stating that certain persons admitted to certain mental health facilities or hospitals are not persons with mental illness; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Education:

Senate Bill No. 8—AN ACT relating to education; revising provisions governing the policies for the evaluation of teachers and administrators; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Education.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Judiciary:

Senate Bill No. 9—AN ACT relating to gaming; requiring the Nevada Gaming Commission to adopt regulations relating to the development of certain technology in gaming; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Judiciary:

Senate Bill No. 10—AN ACT relating to criminal procedure; allowing the Division of Public and Behavioral Health of the Department of Health and Human Services to establish a program to provide certain services to a criminal defendant while the criminal defendant is incarcerated; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By Senator Goicoechea (by request):

Senate Bill No. 11—AN ACT relating to local government; authorizing counties and cities, with limited exceptions, to exercise the powers necessary for the effective operation of county and city government; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Government Affairs:

Senate Bill No. 12—AN ACT relating to the Public Employees' Retirement System; eliminating the position of Assistant Investment Officer; creating the position of Chief Financial Officer; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Education:

Senate Bill No. 13—AN ACT relating to education; revising provisions relating to an individualized education program for a pupil with a hearing impairment; revising provisions governing parent representation of the educational interests of a pupil with a disability; revising provisions relating to the minimum standards prescribed by the State Board of Education for pupils with hearing impairments; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Education.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Health and Human Services:

Senate Bill No. 14—AN ACT relating to public welfare; revising the membership of the Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee within the Department of Health and Human Services; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Health and Human Services:

Senate Bill No. 15—AN ACT relating to health care professionals; requiring a mental health professional to notify certain persons when his or her patient makes explicit threats of imminent serious physical harm or death in certain circumstances; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Judiciary:

Senate Bill No. 16—AN ACT relating to probation; reducing the percentage of the expense paid by counties for presentence and general investigations and reports made by the Division of Parole and Probation of the Department of Public Safety; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Judiciary:

Senate Bill No. 17—AN ACT relating to the Department of Corrections; authorizing a deputy director of the Department to accept employment as an instructor at an institution of higher education; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Judiciary:

Senate Bill No. 18—AN ACT relating to custody of children; requiring a court to consider the abuse of alcohol, a controlled substance or any other legal or illegal substance by a parent when determining the best interest of a

child for the purpose of determining custody of the child; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections:

Senate Bill No. 19—AN ACT relating to elections; authorizing the board of trustees of a school district to place an advisory question on the ballot at a general election; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Natural Resources:

Senate Bill No. 20—AN ACT relating to the Commission for Cultural Affairs; changing the name of the Commission to the Commission for Cultural Centers and Historic Preservation; moving the Commission from the Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs to the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Revenue and Economic Development:

Senate Bill No. 21—AN ACT relating to special fuels; revising provisions relating to the reimbursement by the Department of Motor Vehicles of certain amounts to a person who uses special fuel in a motor vehicle operated or intended to operate interstate and who pays certain taxes imposed on special fuels consumed outside this State; providing that such a person is authorized rather than required to file a request for reimbursement with the Department for the purpose of determining whether any amounts are owed by the Department to the person; removing provisions requiring the Department to determine whether any additional amounts are owed to the Department by such a person as a result of certain taxes imposed on special fuels; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Revenue and Economic Development.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Revenue and Economic Development:

Senate Bill No. 22—AN ACT relating to intoxicating liquor; revising provisions governing the review and approval of certain licenses related to intoxicating liquor; providing for the governing body of a city to conduct

certain investigations and hearings and recommend revocation or suspension of such licenses; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Revenue and Economic Development.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Transportation:

Senate Bill No. 23—AN ACT relating to transportation; revising provisions governing the required submission of certain reports by the Department of Transportation; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy:

Senate Bill No. 24—AN ACT relating to unemployment compensation; authorizing the Administrator of the Employment Security Division of the Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation to make certain information available to the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada and the Director of the Department; revising the manner in which a person who has received certain benefits or money may elect a base period; revising the period within which the Administrator may recover certain overpayments; expanding the circumstances under which a person may commit unemployment insurance fraud; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Education:

Senate Bill No. 25—AN ACT relating to education; revising provisions governing the membership of the State Board of Education; revising certain duties of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, the Department of Education and the State Board; revising provisions governing certain products used to clean in public schools; revising provisions relating to certain programs of distance education; revising provisions governing standards of content and performance for foreign and world language and any other course of study requested by the Superintendent of Public Instruction; revising provisions relating to certain hearings concerning the suspension or revocation of a license to teach; revising provisions concerning minimum standards for the maintenance and operation of certain educational institutions; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Education.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Government Affairs:

Senate Bill No. 26—AN ACT relating to state financial administration; authorizing the State Controller to withhold income from the wages of a person who owes a debt to a state agency after a judgment has been obtained against the person; authorizing the imposition of a fine and punitive damages against an employer under certain circumstances; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Government Affairs:

Senate Bill No. 27—AN ACT relating to the Commission for Cultural Affairs; revising the amount of money that the Commission may use each fiscal year from the Fund for the Preservation and Promotion of Cultural Resources; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Government Affairs:

Senate Bill No. 28—AN ACT relating to public records; authorizing a governmental entity to charge for the actual cost of time utilized by an employee when responding to a request for a public record that requires an extraordinary use of personnel; defining the term "extraordinary use of its personnel or technological resources"; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Government Affairs:

Senate Bill No. 29—AN ACT relating to county government; authorizing a board of county commissioners to exercise the powers necessary to ensure the health and safety of the public; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Government Affairs:

Senate Bill No. 30—AN ACT relating to counties; authorizing a board of county commissioners to adopt a resolution withholding longevity pay for elected county officers under certain circumstances; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Health and Human Services:

Senate Bill No. 31—AN ACT relating to substance abuse; transferring the authority to adopt certain regulations relating to certification of detoxification technicians, facilities and programs from the Division of Public and Behavioral Health of the Department of Health and Human Services to the State Board of Health; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Health and Human Services:

Senate Bill No. 32—AN ACT relating to medical marijuana; providing for the issuance of a letter of approval to certain younger children that allows such children to engage in the use of marijuana for medical purposes; authorizing the Division of Public and Behavioral Health of the Department of Health and Human Services to issue a registry identification card; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Health and Human Services:

Senate Bill No. 33—AN ACT relating to county hospitals; providing for the confidentiality of certain records of a county hospital; authorizing the board of hospital trustees of such a hospital to hold a closed meeting under certain circumstances; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Natural Resources:

Senate Bill No. 34—AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; eliminating provisions relating to authorized maintenance stations licensed to install, repair and adjust devices for the control of pollution; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Health and Human Services:

Senate Bill No. 35—AN ACT relating to mental health; ratifying and enacting the Interstate Compact on Mental Health; designating the Administrator of the Division of Public and Behavioral Health of the

Department of Health and Human Services as the Compact Administrator; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Judiciary:

Senate Bill No. 36—AN ACT relating to state business licenses; providing that a person is not required to obtain a state business license if the sole activity in this State of the person's business is to respond to a request for vehicles or equipment in response to certain emergencies; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Judiciary:

Senate Bill No. 37—AN ACT relating to criminal offenders; revising provisions that establish the capabilities of electronic devices which may be used to supervise parolees, probationers and certain other offenders who are subject to electronic supervision; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Judiciary:

Senate Bill No. 38—AN ACT relating to gaming; revising various definitions relating to gaming; removing licensing requirements for certain persons associated with gaming; requiring persons who manufacture, sell or distribute associated equipment relating to gaming to be licensed; requiring the Nevada Gaming Commission to adopt certain regulations relating to the licensure of such persons; repealing certain provisions relating to gaming; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Judiciary:

Senate Bill No. 39—AN ACT relating to business; revising various provisions governing the state business license; requiring certain persons who are not required to obtain a state business license to obtain a certificate of exemption from the Secretary of State; revising provisions governing the penalty imposed on a person who conducts a business in this State without obtaining a state business license; revising provisions governing the annual renewal of a state business license; revising provisions governing the duties

of a registered agent; authorizing certain business entities to dissolve or surrender their right to transact business in this State without paying certain fees and penalties under certain circumstances; authorizing certain business entities to file a certificate of intent to dissolve or surrender their right to transact business in this State under certain circumstances; authorizing certain business entities to renew or revive their right to transact business in this State under certain circumstances; revising provisions governing the filing of articles of conversion by an entity converting into a domestic entity; revising provisions governing the service of process on business entities; requiring the Secretary of State to assign business identification numbers under certain circumstances; authorizing the Secretary of State to charge fees for filing certain documents; providing penalties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Judiciary:

Senate Bill No. 40—AN ACT relating to gaming; prohibiting certain acts related to wagering; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Natural Resources:

Senate Bill No. 41—AN ACT relating to hunting; revising provisions governing the stamp required for the hunting of migratory waterfowl; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Transportation:

Senate Bill No. 42—AN ACT relating to investigative services; requiring the Investigation Division of the Department of Public Safety to provide investigative services to other divisions of the Department as determined by the Director of the Department; requiring the Chief of the Investigation Division to furnish services relating to the investigation of crimes upon the request of certain agencies, bureaus, boards, commissions, departments, divisions, offices or other units of the Executive Department of the State Government; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Transportation:

Senate Bill No. 43—AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; revising provisions requiring the driver of certain motor vehicles to stop at all railroad grade crossings; making it unlawful for the driver of a commercial motor vehicle to fail to completely cross railroad tracks because of insufficient undercarriage clearance or because of insufficient space to drive completely through the crossing without stopping; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Natural Resources:

Senate Bill No. 44—AN ACT relating to minerals; removing the statutory limits on certain fees relating to oil and natural gas; making various other changes to provisions relating to oil and natural gas; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Natural Resources:

Senate Bill No. 45—AN ACT relating to conservation; revising provisions governing the distribution of grants of money by the State Conservation Commission to conservation districts; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Government Affairs:

Senate Bill No. 46—AN ACT relating to state financial administration; revising the requirements relating to the financial administration of the Colorado River Commission of Nevada and the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada; revising provisions governing the personnel of those Commissions; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Government Affairs:

Senate Bill No. 47—AN ACT relating to local improvements; removing the provision that a commercial area vitalization project is limited to an area zoned primarily for business or commercial purposes and deleting the statutory references to such a project; authorizing the governing body of a municipality to acquire, improve, operate and maintain a neighborhood

improvement project for the beautification and improvement of an area without regard to its zoning; authorizing the provision of additional public services in such an area; expanding the applicability of provisions authorizing a special assessment within an improvement district located in a redevelopment area; authorizing the use of money in a surplus and deficiency fund for the payment of certain administrative costs; increasing the amount of money subject to transfer to such a fund after the outstanding indebtedness of an improvement district has been paid; revising provisions for the collection of unpaid assessments and the modification of an improvement project; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Health and Human Services:

Senate Bill No. 48—AN ACT relating to public health; repealing provisions that provide for a statewide health information exchange system; authorizing the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services to establish or contract with a health information exchange to serve as the statewide health information exchange; providing for the certification of a health information exchange; providing for an administrative fine to be imposed for operating a health information exchange without obtaining a certification; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Health and Human Services:

Senate Bill No. 49—AN ACT relating to the protection of children; revising provisions relating to the licensure of emergency shelters for children by the Division of Public and Behavioral Health of the Department of Health and Human Services; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy:

Senate Bill No. 50—AN ACT relating to contractors; deleting the requirement that the State Contractors' Board establish an advisory committee concerning the classification of licensure of persons who install or maintain building shell insulation or thermal system insulation; revising the circumstances under which a natural person may qualify on behalf of another for more than one active contractor's license; requiring such a person to possess good character; expanding the acts which constitute cause for disciplinary action against a licensee to include certain international codes;

expanding the circumstances under which an injured person is not eligible for recovery from the Recovery Fund; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Revenue and Economic Development:

Senate Bill No. 51—AN ACT relating to economic development; creating the Nevada Main Street Program within the Office of Economic Development of the Office of the Governor; setting forth the requirements for the operation of the Program; making an appropriation; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Revenue and Economic Development.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Judiciary:

Senate Bill No. 52—AN ACT relating to search warrants; authorizing the use of secure electronic transmission for the submission of an application and affidavit for, and the issuance by a magistrate of, a search warrant; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Judiciary:

Senate Bill No. 53—AN ACT relating to criminal procedure; requiring an incarcerated person to exhaust all available administrative remedies before filing a post-conviction petition for a writ of habeas corpus challenging the computation of time the person has served pursuant to a judgment of conviction; requiring a court to dismiss such a petition upon determining that the petitioner has not exhausted all available administrative remedies; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Judiciary:

Senate Bill No. 54—AN ACT relating to criminal procedure; revising provisions governing the commitment and release of incompetent criminal defendants; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Judiciary:

Senate Bill No. 55—AN ACT relating to criminal procedure; revising provisions governing the waiver of the right of a criminal defendant to be present during sentencing proceedings; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Judiciary:

Senate Bill No. 56—AN ACT relating to graffiti; expanding the list of items that are considered graffiti implements which are unlawful to carry in certain places; clarifying that a governmental entity may bring a civil action for damages to public property; authorizing the governing body of a city to adopt ordinances to address covering and removing certain graffiti on residential and nonresidential property that is visible from a public right-of-way; revising provisions governing money in a city's graffiti reward and abatement fund; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Judiciary:

Senate Bill No. 57—AN ACT relating to offenders; providing that certain records and documents pertaining to offenders are confidential and are not public books or records except under certain circumstances; prohibiting access by offenders to public books and records under certain circumstances; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Judiciary:

Senate Bill No. 58—AN ACT relating to children; revising provisions concerning the release of certain information relating to a child subject to the jurisdiction of the juvenile court; revising provisions governing the release of certain information maintained by agencies which provide child welfare services; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Judiciary:

Senate Bill No. 59—AN ACT relating to business; declaring certain records to be confidential; revising provisions governing the state business portal; revising provisions governing applications for certain authorizations

to conduct a business in this State issued by state and local agencies and health districts; requiring the Secretary of State to issue unique business identification numbers under certain circumstances; revising provisions governing the issuance of certain licenses by incorporated cities and counties; removing the prohibition against a county clerk refusing to accept for filing certain business certificates in certain circumstances; revising provisions governing the disclosure of certain information by the Employment Security Division of the Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation; repealing certain provisions relating to the collection of information from businesses seeking certain authorizations to conduct business in this State; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Judiciary:

Senate Bill No. 60—AN ACT relating to the Office of the Attorney General; transferring authority over the application for a fictitious address from the Secretary of State to the Attorney General; requiring the clerk of the court rather than the prevailing party to deliver any court ruling declaring a provision of the Nevada Constitution or state law in violation of the Nevada Constitution or United States Constitution to the Office of the Attorney General; creating the Office of Military Legal Assistance in the Office of the Attorney General; creating the position of Victim Services Officer within the Office of the Attorney General; extending the date for expiration of the Substance Abuse Working Group; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Judiciary:

Senate Bill No. 61—AN ACT relating to unclaimed property; authorizing the Administrator of Unclaimed Property to establish a fee for providing certain information to certain persons; revising requirements governing the delivery of property and payment of proceeds of sales of property held by the Administrator; revising provisions governing certain agreements to locate, deliver, recover or assist in the recovery of such property; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections:

Senate Bill No. 62—AN ACT relating to the State Personnel System; requiring the Personnel Commission to adopt certain regulations governing

the employment, promotion, dismissal, demotion or suspension of state employees; authorizing the Commission to adopt certain regulations relating to state employees with disabilities and applicants for positions affecting public safety; making various other changes relating to the State Personnel System; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Government Affairs:

Senate Bill No. 63—AN ACT relating to the Nevada Indian Commission; creating the Nevada Indian Commission's Gift Fund; designating the Commission as the coordinating agency for certain discussions regarding activities at and uses of the buildings and grounds of the former Stewart Indian School; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Government Affairs:

Senate Bill No. 64—AN ACT relating to the Housing Division of the Department of Business and Industry; revising the qualifications for the Chief Financial Officer of the Division; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Government Affairs:

Senate Bill No. 65—AN ACT relating to the use of water; revising provisions relating to the adjudication of vested water rights; revising provisions relating to applications, permits and certificates for the appropriation of public waters; revising provisions relating to underground water and wells; revising provisions relating to the planning and development of water resources; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Government Affairs:

Senate Bill No. 66—AN ACT relating to local government planning; revising provisions relating to agreements for the development of land entered into between the governing body of a local government and one or more persons having a legal or equitable interest in the land; providing for the extension of the period within which construction must commence

pursuant to such an agreement; establishing a procedure for the amendment or cancellation of such an agreement by the governing body; revising provisions governing the contents and scope of such an agreement; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy:

Senate Bill No. 67—AN ACT relating to insurance; adopting the provisions of various model laws and acts of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners; revising provisions regarding the confidentiality of certain information and materials provided to the Division of Insurance of the Department of Business and Industry; revising provisions regarding the requirements for annual financial statements filed by self-insured groups for workers' compensation; revising provisions regarding licensing requirements; revising provisions regarding the cash value of policies of life insurance; allowing insurer's to issue electronic proof of insurance certificates for automobiles; revising provisions governing state-chartered risk retention groups; authorizing the Division to access certain sealed records of licensees and applicants for licenses; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy:

Senate Bill No. 68—AN ACT relating to professions; authorizing certain qualified professionals who hold a license in the District of Columbia or another state or territory of the United States to apply for a license by endorsement to practice in this State; revising provisions relating to certain limited licenses to practice medicine as a resident physician; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Finance:

Senate Bill No. 69—AN ACT relating to the judiciary; revising provisions relating to the eligibility of members of the Judicial Retirement Plan to retire; revising provisions governing the benefits of a retired justice or judge; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Government Affairs:

Senate Bill No. 70—AN ACT relating to public bodies; making various changes relating to meetings of public bodies; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Government Affairs:

Senate Bill No. 71—AN ACT relating to city charters; authorizing, under certain circumstances, the governing body of a charter city to amend the charter of the city; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Government Affairs:

Senate Bill No. 72—AN ACT relating to information technology; amending the composition and responsibilities of the Division; providing that the Administrator of the Division is the Chief Information Officer of the State; providing that certain policies, standards, guidelines and procedures set forth by the Administrator apply to the Nevada Criminal Justice Information System; amending the membership and duties of the Information Technology Advisory Board; requiring the Department of Public Safety to use the services and equipment of the Division; authorizing the Administrator to accept any money from a public or private source for deposit into the Fund for Information Services; making various other changes relating to the Division; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Judiciary:

Senate Bill No. 73—AN ACT relating to the Commission on Judicial Discipline; revising provisions governing the suspension of judges from the exercise of office; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Revenue and Economic Development:

Senate Bill No. 74—AN ACT relating to taxation; revising provisions governing the partial abatement of taxes for new or expanding businesses; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Revenue and Economic Development.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Education:

Senate Bill No. 75—AN ACT relating to education; revising provisions governing the manner in which certain examinations are administered; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Education.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Education:

Senate Bill No. 76—AN ACT relating to higher education; updating the Western Regional Higher Education Compact; authorizing the Nevada State Commissioners to adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of the Compact and to delegate certain functions; amending the requirements for allocation and forgiveness of stipends provided by the Nevada Office of the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Education.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Education:

Senate Bill No. 77—AN ACT relating to education; requiring certain underperforming schools to be designated as turnaround schools; requiring the Department of Education to establish a turnaround plan under which a turnaround school is required to operate; authorizing the closure of a turnaround school, the operation of a turnaround school by certain organizations or the conversion of a turnaround school into a charter school in certain circumstances; exempting a turnaround school from certain requirements; preventing a turnaround school from being included in certain programs; revising requirements concerning an application to form a charter school; authorizing the sponsor of a charter school to reconstitute the governing body of the charter school; requiring the board of trustees of a school district to consider designating certain schools as empowerment schools; requiring consideration of a turnaround plan when making certain decisions concerning training and professional development for certain teachers and administrators; excluding the right of the board of trustees of a school district to reassign the employees of a turnaround school from the scope of collective bargaining; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Education.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Revenue and Economic Development:

Senate Bill No. 78—AN ACT relating to taxation; clarifying provisions governing appeals to the State Board of Equalization of appraisals and assessments of property tax on the property of mines; requiring that an appeal of a certification or taxation by the Department of Taxation relating to the net proceeds of minerals extracted must be filed with the Nevada Tax Commission within 30 days after the certification is sent to the taxpayer; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Revenue and Economic Development.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Revenue and Economic Development:

Senate Bill No. 79—AN ACT relating to nicotine products; providing for the regulation and taxation of liquid nicotine; providing penalties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Revenue and Economic Development.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Revenue and Economic Development:

Senate Bill No. 80—AN ACT relating to use taxes; repealing the provisions establishing a presumption that tangible personal property delivered and first used in interstate or foreign commerce outside this State was not purchased for storage, use or other consumption in this State; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Revenue and Economic Development.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Government Affairs:

Senate Bill No. 81—AN ACT relating to water; revising provisions relating to the designation and regulation of groundwater basins by the State Engineer; revising provisions relating to the appropriation of water for beneficial use; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Government Affairs:

Senate Bill No. 82—AN ACT relating to courts; removing certain obsolete provisions relating to security services provided by the Capitol Police Division of the Department of Public Safety; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Government Affairs:

Senate Bill No. 83—AN ACT relating to state accountability; designating as confidential certain information that is reported to the Division of Internal Audits of the Department of Administration relating to abuse, fraud or waste with respect to public money; prohibiting the disclosure of such information by the Division with limited exceptions; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy:

Senate Bill No. 84—AN ACT relating to health care providers; including certain alcohol and drug abuse counselors and problem gambling counselors in the definition of "provider of health care" for purposes of various provisions relating to healing arts and certain other provisions; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy:

Senate Bill No. 85—AN ACT relating to insurance fraud; revising the definition of "insurance fraud" to include fraudulent acts or omissions related to certain policies issued outside this State; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy:

Senate Bill No. 86—AN ACT relating to public utilities; increasing the maximum amount of the civil penalty that may be imposed for violating certain regulations adopted by the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada; defining the term "high consequence subsurface installation"; revising the definition of "subsurface installation"; increasing the maximum amount of the civil penalty that may be imposed for certain violations relating to excavation or demolition near a subsurface installation; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy:

Senate Bill No. 87—AN ACT relating to public utilities; authorizing the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada to modify resource plans submitted by certain public utilities; authorizing a public utility to consent to or reject some or all of such modifications; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Health and Human Services:

Senate Bill No. 88—AN ACT relating to the Statewide Central Registry for the Collection of Information Concerning the Abuse or Neglect of a Child; expanding access to the information contained in the Central Registry; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Natural Resources:

Senate Bill No. 89—AN ACT relating to the Fund for Cleaning Up Discharges of Petroleum; increasing the limitation on expenditures from the Fund for cleaning up certain discharges; authorizing the expenditure of money from the Fund for the cleanup of discharges involving petrochemicals; requiring a person responsible for the discharge of a petrochemical to reimburse the Division of Environmental Protection of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for the person's share of the cost of cleaning up the discharge; defining the term "petrochemical"; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Government Affairs:

Senate Bill No. 90—AN ACT relating to military justice; conferring upon a person who is subject to the Nevada Code of Military Justice the right to demand a trial by court-martial in lieu of accepting nonjudicial punishment; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Judiciary:

Senate Bill No. 91—AN ACT relating to unclaimed property; authorizing the donation of unclaimed property to the State for educational purposes

under certain circumstances; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Education:

Senate Bill No. 92—AN ACT relating to education; requiring any teacher or substitute teacher hired to teach in any public school to be highly qualified; revising the qualifications for an administrator in a charter school; requiring certain schools to employ an assistant principal; requiring the board of trustees of a school district to adopt certain policies; providing that certain postprobationary employees revert to probationary status under certain circumstances; requiring that the statewide performance evaluation system take certain factors into account for the evaluation of district-level administrators; requiring the board of trustees of a school district to consider specified factors in carrying out a reduction in force; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Education.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Revenue and Economic Development:

Senate Bill No. 93—AN ACT relating to taxation; authorizing certain qualified businesses in this State that own, operate, manufacture, service, maintain, test, repair, overhaul or assemble an aircraft or any component of an aircraft to apply to the Office of Economic Development for a partial abatement from certain property or sales and use taxes; revising the provisions governing the administration of the sales and use taxes to change the manner in which the taxes are required to be paid on tangible personal property purchased in the performance of certain contracts; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Revenue and Economic Development.

Motion carried.

By Senator Ford:

Senate Bill No. 94—AN ACT relating to taxation; revising the provisions governing transferable tax credits for film and other productions; narrowing the class of persons who may apply for such tax credits; revising the process for making and acting upon such an application; revising the provisions governing the calculation of the tax credits; revising the limitation on the total amount of tax credits that may be issued; repealing the prospective expiration of the provisions governing the tax credits; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Revenue and Economic Development.

Motion carried.

By Senator Parks:

Senate Bill No. 95—AN ACT relating to property tax; revising provisions governing the publication of property tax rolls; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Revenue and Economic Development.

Motion carried.

By Senator Parks (by request):

Senate Bill No. 96—AN ACT relating to prison industries; revising provisions governing the use of money in the Fund for New Construction of Facilities for Prison Industries; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By Senator Segerblom:

Senate Bill No. 97—AN ACT relating to civil rights; revising provisions governing the restoration of the right to vote to persons who have been convicted of a felony; revising provisions governing the registration to vote of a person convicted of a felony; revising provisions governing the cancellation of the registration to vote of a person convicted of a felony; revising provisions governing a challenge to the right to vote of a person convicted of a felony; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By Senator Segerblom:

Senate Bill No. 98—AN ACT relating to gaming; revising Nevada's public policy concerning gaming; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By Senator Segerblom and Assemblywoman Fiore:

Senate Bill No. 99—AN ACT relating to crimes; repealing provisions governing sex offenders and offenders convicted of a crime against a child which were originally enacted for purposes of the federal Adam Walsh Act; revising provisions governing registration of and community notification

concerning sex offenders and offenders convicted of a crime against a child; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By Senator Woodhouse:

Senate Bill No. 100—AN ACT relating to education; revising provisions governing the reimbursement to a hospital or certain other licensed facilities that provide residential treatment to children and which operate private schools; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Education:

Senate Bill No. 101—AN ACT relating to school districts; authorizing the extension of certain statutory deadlines related to the reemployment status of certain employees of school districts during odd-numbered years; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Education.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Government Affairs:

Senate Bill No. 102—AN ACT relating to fire protection; providing for the creation of rangeland fire protection associations; authorizing a board of county commissioners to approve a petition to create an association; providing for the evaluation of an association by the board and the State Forester Firewarden; requiring the State Forester Firewarden to adopt regulations relating to the formation, operation and training of the members of an association; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By Senators Settlemeyer and Denis:

Senate Bill No. 103—AN ACT relating to taxation; exempting certain persons who sell, solicit or negotiate insurance from the modified business tax applicable to financial institutions; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Revenue and Economic Development.

Motion carried.

By Senator Settlemeyer:

Senate Bill No. 104—AN ACT relating to campaign practices; establishing certain exceptions to the requirement that political advertising must disclose information about the person or entity compensating the advertiser or paying for the advertising; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections.

Motion carried.

By Senator Settlemeyer:

Senate Bill No. 105—AN ACT relating to public health; authorizing the owner or operator of certain establishments to allow dogs to enter such establishments; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By Senators Smith, Ford, Woodhouse and Assemblywoman Kirkpatrick:

Senate Bill No. 106—AN ACT relating to the financing of school facilities; temporarily authorizing the boards of trustees of school districts with prior voter approval to issue general obligation bonds in certain circumstances; temporarily revising provisions governing the transfer of certain revenue to the fund for capital projects of such a school district; temporarily exempting the property tax for debt service of such a school district from certain partial tax abatements; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Health and Human Services:

Senate Bill No. 107—AN ACT relating to the protection of children; providing for the award of a categorical grant to each agency which provides child welfare services for providing services to children placed in specialized foster homes and to children who remain under the jurisdiction of the court after reaching 18 years of age; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Motion carried.

By Senator Settlemeyer:

Senate Bill No. 108—AN ACT relating to public works; raising the estimated cost thresholds at or above which certain requirements apply to public works projects; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By Senator Settlemeyer and Assemblywoman Titus:

Senate Bill No. 109—AN ACT relating to county-owned telephone systems; authorizing a board of county commissioners to sell or lease such a system without acceptance or rejection by the registered voters of the county under certain circumstances; revising the manner in which the sale or lease of such a system is conducted; requiring the board to consider certain factors in accepting or rejecting an offer to purchase or lease such a system; exempting from open meeting requirements certain meetings of the board regarding the sale or lease of such a system; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By Senator Goicoechea:

Senate Bill No. 110—AN ACT relating to vehicles; authorizing a person to apply for a letter of abandonment for an abandoned recreational vehicle in certain circumstances; requiring a municipal solid waste landfill to accept a recreational vehicle for disposal under certain circumstances; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Motion carried.

By Senators Ford and Atkinson:

Senate Bill No. 111—AN ACT relating to peace officers; requiring certain peace officers in certain counties to wear a portable event recording device while on duty; requiring local law enforcement agencies in certain counties to adopt policies and procedures governing the use of portable event recording devices; exempting the use of portable event recording devices from provisions governing the interception of certain communications; exempting the use of portable event recording devices upon certain property; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy:

Senate Bill No. 112—AN ACT relating to telecommunications; repealing provisions which require the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada to establish certain standards of performance for and the imposition of penalties

against a telecommunication provider; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Health and Human Services:

Senate Bill No. 113—AN ACT relating to insurance; exempting health care sharing ministries from the provisions of the Nevada Insurance Code; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Motion carried.

By Senator Hardy:

Senate Bill No. 114—AN ACT relating to controlled substances; requiring the computerized program to track prescriptions of controlled substances developed by the State Board of Pharmacy and the Investigation Division of the Department of Public Safety to include certain information; authorizing access to such information for certain purposes; requiring the Board and the Division to use such information for certain purposes; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Motion carried.

By Senator Hardy:

Senate Bill No. 115—AN ACT relating to unincorporated towns; requiring the election of members of certain town advisory boards in a county whose population is 700,000 or more; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By Senator Hardy:

Senate Bill No. 116—AN ACT relating to physician assistants; requiring a supervising physician or supervising osteopathic physician to perform certain duties concerning the supervision of a physician assistant; requiring a physician assistant who has more than one supervising physician or supervising osteopathic physician to record certain information in the medical record of each patient; requiring a physician or osteopathic physician to meet certain qualifications in order to supervise a physician assistant; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Health and Human Services:

Senate Bill No. 117—AN ACT relating to education; expanding the list of diseases for which a child must obtain an immunization before enrolling in a school or being admitted to a child care facility in this State unless an exception applies; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Education.

Motion carried.

By Senator Smith:

Senate Bill No. 118—AN ACT relating to the City of Sparks; revising certain provisions of the Charter of the City of Sparks relating to the Municipal Court; providing that certain authority of the City Manager does not extend to the appointment of employees of the Municipal Court, investigations of the Municipal Court or the designation of salaries of employees of the Municipal Court; authorizing Municipal Judges to appoint employees; authorizing the Administrative Judge of the Municipal Court to prescribe the duties and salaries of employees appointed by the Municipal Judges and to prescribe the salaries of the Court Administrator and Judicial Assistants; providing that civil service rules for employees of the City do not apply to officers and employees of the Municipal Court; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By Senators Harris and Kieckhefer:

Senate Bill No. 119—AN ACT relating to educational facilities; making the provisions governing the payment of prevailing wages inapplicable to a school district, a charter school and the Nevada System of Higher Education; temporarily authorizing the boards of trustees of school districts with prior voter approval to issue general obligation bonds in certain circumstances; temporarily revising provisions governing the transfer of certain revenue to the fund for capital projects of such a school district; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Kieckhefer moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

Mr. President announced that the following Standing Committees have been appointed, the first-named Senator being the Chair and the second-named Senator being the Vice Chair.

COMMERCE, LABOR AND ENERGY—

Settelmeyer, Farley, Hardy, Harris, Manendo, Atkinson, Spearman.

EDUCATION—

Harris, Hammond, Gustavson, Lipparelli, Denis, Woodhouse, Segerblom.

FINANCE—

Kieckhefer, Roberson, Goicoechea, Lipparelli, Parks, Woodhouse, Smith.

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS—

Goicoechea, Hardy, Lipparelli, Parks, Atkinson.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES—

Hardy, Kieckhefer, Lipparelli, Woodhouse, Smith.

JUDICIARY—

Brower, Harris, Roberson, Hammond, Kihuen, Segerblom, Ford.

LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS—

Farley, Settelmeyer, Brower, Atkinson, Segerblom.

NATURAL RESOURCES—

Gustavson, Goicoechea, Settelmeyer, Manendo, Smith.

REVENUE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT—

Roberson, Brower, Hardy, Kieckhefer, Kihuen, Ford, Spearman.

TRANSPORTATION—

Hammond, Gustavson, Farley, Manendo, Denis.

Senator Roberson gave notice, per Senate Standing Rule No. 91, that the Senate would move that the reading of the Journal will be dispensed with, and the President and Secretary of the Senate be authorized to make any necessary corrections and additions for the remainder of the 78th Legislative Session by order of the Senate on the next legislative day.

Senator Roberson gave notice that the Senate would move that the Secretary of the Senate will dispense with reading the histories of all bills and resolutions for the remainder of the 78th Legislative Session on the next legislative day.

REMARKS FROM THE FLOOR

Remarks by Senator Roberson.

As in past Legislative Sessions, all memorial resolutions will list all Senators. If you have an objection to having your name on a resolution, please notify the Front Desk staff at least one day before the resolution is introduced. Memorial resolutions are listed on the Announcement Sheet in today's Agenda and will be available to you daily at your Chamber desk.

Mr. President announced that if there were no objections, the Senate would recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Senate in recess at 2:38 p.m.

SENATE IN SESSION

At 3:44 p.m.

President Hutchison presiding.

Quorum present.

MESSAGES FROM THE ASSEMBLY

ASSEMBLY CHAMBER, Carson City, February 2, 2015

To the Honorable the Senate:

I have the honor to inform your honorable body that the Assembly on this day adopted Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 1.

CAROL AIELLO-SALA

Assistant Chief Clerk of the Assembly

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 1— Adopts the Joint Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly for the 78th Session of the Legislature.

RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That the Joint Rules of the Senate and Assembly for the 78th Session of the Legislature are hereby adopted as follows:

CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

Rule No. 1. *Procedure Concerning.*

1. *In every case of an amendment of a bill, or joint or concurrent resolution, agreed to in one House, dissented from in the other, and not receded from by the one making the amendment, each House shall appoint a committee to confer with a like committee to be appointed by the other; and the committee so appointed shall meet publicly at a convenient hour to be agreed upon by their respective chairs and announced publicly, and shall confer upon the differences between the two Houses as indicated by the amendments made in one and rejected in the other and report as early as convenient the result of their conference to their respective Houses.*

2. *The report shall be made available to all members of both Houses. The whole subject matter embraced in the bill or resolution shall be considered by the committee, and it may recommend recession by either House, new amendments, a new bill or resolution, or other changes as it sees fit. A new bill or resolution so reported shall be treated as amendments unless the bill or resolution is composed entirely of original matter, in which case it shall receive the treatment required in the respective Houses for original bills, or resolutions, as the case may be. A conference committee shall not recommend any action which would cause the creation of more than one reprint or more than one bill or resolution.*

3. *The report of a conference committee may be adopted by acclamation. The report is not subject to amendment.*

4. *There shall be but one conference committee on any bill or resolution. A majority of the members of a conference committee from each House must be members who voted for the passage of the bill or resolution.*

MESSAGES

Rule No. 2. *Biennial Message of the Governor.*

Upon motion, the biennial message of the Governor must be received and read and entered in full in the Journal of proceedings.

Rule No. 2.2. *Other Messages From the Governor.*

Whenever a message from the Governor is received, it shall be read and entered in full in the Journal of proceedings.

Rule No. 2.4. *Proclamation by the Governor Convening Special Session.*

Proclamations by the Governor convening the Legislature in special session must, by direction of the presiding officer of each House, be read immediately after the convening of the special session, and must be filed and entered in the Journal of proceedings.

Rule No. 2.6. *Messages Between Houses.*

Messages from the Senate to the Assembly shall be delivered by the Secretary or a person designated by the Secretary and messages from the Assembly to the Senate shall be delivered by the Chief Clerk or a person designated by the Chief Clerk.

NOTICE OF FINAL ACTION

Rule No. 3. *Communications.*

Each House shall communicate its final action on any bill or resolution, or matter in which the other may be interested, by written notice. Each such notice sent by the Senate must be signed by the Secretary of the Senate, or a person designated by the Secretary. Each such notice

sent by the Assembly must be signed by the Chief Clerk of the Assembly, or a person designated by the Chief Clerk.

BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

Rule No. 4. Signature.

Each enrolled bill or joint resolution shall be presented to the presiding officers of both Houses for signature. They shall, after an announcement of their intention to do so is made in open session, sign the bill or joint resolution and their signatures shall be followed by those of the Secretary of the Senate and Chief Clerk of the Assembly.

Rule No. 5. Joint Sponsorship.

1. A bill or resolution introduced by a standing committee of the Senate or Assembly may, at the direction of the chair of the committee, set forth the name of a standing committee of the other House as a joint sponsor, if a majority of all members appointed to the committee of the other House votes in favor of becoming a joint sponsor of the bill or resolution. The name of the committee joint sponsor must be set forth on the face of the bill or resolution immediately below the date on which the bill or resolution is introduced.

2. A bill or resolution introduced by one or more Legislators elected to one House may, at the direction of the Legislator who brings the bill or resolution forward for introduction, set forth the names of one or more Legislators who are members elected to the other House and who wish to be primary joint sponsors or non-primary joint sponsors of the bill or resolution. Not more than five Legislators from each House may be set forth on the face of a bill or resolution as primary joint sponsors. The names of each primary joint sponsor and non-primary joint sponsor must be set forth on the face of the bill or resolution in the following order immediately below the date on which the bill or resolution is introduced:

(a) The name of each primary joint sponsor, in the order indicated on the colored back of the introductory copy of the bill or resolution; and

(b) The name of each non-primary joint sponsor, in alphabetical order.

3. The Legislative Counsel shall not cause to be printed the name of a standing committee as a joint sponsor on the face of a bill or resolution unless the chair of the committee has signed his or her name next to the name of the committee on the colored back of the introductory copy of the bill or resolution that was submitted to the front desk of the House of origin or the statement required by subsection 5. The Legislative Counsel shall not cause to be printed the name of a Legislator as a primary joint sponsor or non-primary joint sponsor on the face of a bill or resolution unless the Legislator has signed the colored back of the introductory copy of the bill or resolution that was submitted to the front desk of the House of origin or the statement required by subsection 5.

4. Upon introduction, any bill or resolution that sets forth the names of primary joint sponsors or non-primary joint sponsors, or both, must be numbered in the same numerical sequence as other bills and resolutions of the same House of origin are numbered.

5. Once a bill or resolution has been introduced, a primary joint sponsor or non-primary joint sponsor may only be added or removed by amendment of the bill or resolution. An amendment which proposes to add or remove a primary joint sponsor or non-primary joint sponsor must not be considered by the House of origin of the amendment unless a statement requesting the addition or removal is attached to the copy of the amendment submitted to the front desk of the House of origin of the amendment. If the amendment proposes to add or remove a Legislator as a primary joint sponsor or non-primary joint sponsor, the statement must be signed by that Legislator. If the amendment proposes to add or remove a standing committee as a joint sponsor, the statement must be signed by the chair of the committee. A copy of the statement must be transmitted to the Legislative Counsel if the amendment is adopted.

6. An amendment that proposes to add or remove a primary joint sponsor or non-primary joint sponsor may include additional proposals to change the substantive provisions of the bill or resolution or may be limited only to the proposal to add or remove a primary joint sponsor or non-primary joint sponsor.

PUBLICATIONS

Rule No. 6. Ordering and Distribution.

1. *The bills, resolutions, journals and histories will be provided electronically to the officers and members of the Senate and Assembly, staff of the Legislative Counsel Bureau, the press and the general public on the Nevada Legislature's Internet website.*

2. *Each House may order the printing of bills introduced, reports of its own committees, and other matter pertaining to that House only; but no other printing may be ordered except by a concurrent resolution passed by both Houses. Each Senator is entitled to the free distribution of four copies of each bill introduced in each House, and each Assemblyman and Assemblywoman to such a distribution of two copies. Additional copies of such bills may be distributed at a charge to the person to whom they are addressed. The amount charged for distribution of the additional copies must be determined by the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau to approximate the cost of handling and postage for the entire session.*

RESOLUTIONS

Rule No. 7. *Types, Usage and Approval.*

1. *A joint resolution must be used to:*

(a) *Propose an amendment to the Nevada Constitution.*

(b) *Ratify a proposed amendment to the United States Constitution.*

(c) *Address the President of the United States, Congress, either House or any committee or member of Congress, any department or agency of the Federal Government, or any other state of the Union.*

2. *A concurrent resolution must be used to:*

(a) *Amend these Joint Standing Rules, which requires a majority vote of each House for adoption.*

(b) *Request the return from the Governor of an enrolled bill for further consideration.*

(c) *Request the return from the Secretary of State of an enrolled joint or concurrent resolution for further consideration.*

(d) *Resolve that the return of a bill from one House to the other House is necessary and appropriate.*

(e) *Express facts, principles, opinion and purposes of the Senate and Assembly.*

(f) *Establish a joint committee of the two Houses.*

(g) *Direct the Legislative Commission to conduct an interim study.*

3. *A concurrent resolution or a resolution of one House may be used to memorialize a former member of the Legislature or other notable or distinguished person upon his or her death.*

4. *A resolution of one House may be used to request the return from the Secretary of State of an enrolled resolution of the same House for further consideration.*

5. *A resolution of one House may be used for any additional purpose determined appropriate by the Majority Leader of the Senate or the Speaker of the Assembly, respectively.*

6. *A concurrent resolution used for the purposes expressed in paragraph (e) of subsection 2 may only be requested by a statutory, interim or standing committee.*

Rule No. 8. *Reserved.*

ADJOURNMENT

Rule No. 9. *Limitations and Calculation of Duration.*

1. *In calculating the permissible duration of an adjournment for 3 days or less, Sunday must not be counted.*

2. *The Legislature may adjourn for more than 3 days by motion based on mutual consent of the Houses or by concurrent resolution. One or more such adjournments, for a total of not more than 20 days during any regular session, may be taken to permit standing committees, select committees or the Legislative Counsel Bureau to prepare the matters respectively entrusted to them for the consideration of the Legislature as a whole.*

Rule No. 9.5. *Adjournment Sine Die.*

1. *The Legislature shall not take any action on a bill or resolution after midnight Pacific time at the end of the 120th consecutive calendar day of session, inclusive of the day on which the session commences. Any legislative action taken after midnight Pacific time at the end of the 120th consecutive calendar day of session is void, unless the legislative action is conducted during a special session.*

2. A Legislator shall not take any action to impede the progress of the Legislature in completing its business by the time specified in subsection 1.

3. The Legislature and its members, officers and employees shall not employ any device, pretense or fiction that adjusts, evades or ignores the measure of time specified in subsection 1 for the purpose of extending the duration of the session.

4. Any action taken in violation of subsection 2 or 3 shall be deemed out of order.

5. As used in this Rule, "midnight Pacific time" must be determined based on the actual measure of time that, on the final calendar day of the session, is being used and observed by the general population as the uniform time for the portion of Nevada which lies within the Pacific time zone, or any legal successor to the Pacific time zone, and which includes the seat of government of this State as designated by Section 1 of Article 15 of the Nevada Constitution.

EXPENDITURES FROM THE LEGISLATIVE FUND

Rule No. 10. Manner of Authorization.

Except for routine salary, travel, equipment and operating expenses, no expenditures shall be made from the Legislative Fund without the authority of a concurrent resolution regularly adopted by the Senate and Assembly.

LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION

Rule No. 11. Membership and Organization.

1. When members of the minority party in the Senate or in the Assembly comprise one-third or less of the total number elected to that House, minority party membership for that House on the Legislative Commission must be:

(a) One, if such membership is less than one-fifth of the total number elected to that House.

(b) Two, if such membership is at least one-fifth but not more than one-third of the total number elected to that House.

↳ If the members of the minority party in the Senate or in the Assembly comprise more than one-third of the total number elected to that House, minority party membership for that House on the Commission must be three, being equal to the membership of the majority party.

2. Each House shall select one or more alternate members for each member from that House, designating them according to party or according to the individual member whom the alternate would replace.

3. A vacancy in the regular Senate or Assembly membership created by death or by resignation or by the Legislator's ceasing to be a member of the Legislature shall be filled by the proper alternate member as designated by that House. If there is no proper alternate member, the Legislative Commission shall fill the vacancy by appointing a Senator or Assemblyman or Assemblywoman of the same party.

4. If for any reason a member is or will be absent from a meeting and there are no alternates available, the Chair of the Commission may appoint a member of the same House and political party to attend the meeting as an alternate.

5. The members shall serve until their successors are appointed by resolution as provided in NRS 218E.150, except that the membership of any member who does not become a candidate for reelection or who is defeated for reelection shall terminate on the day next after the election and the vacancy shall be filled as provided in this Rule.

6. The Chair shall be selected at the first meeting of the newly formed Legislative Commission and shall serve until his or her successor is appointed following the formation of the next Legislative Commission.

RECORDS OF COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS

Rule No. 12. Duties of Secretary of Committee and Director.

1. Each standing committee of the Legislature shall cause a record to be made of the proceedings of its meetings.

2. The secretary of a standing committee shall:

(a) Label each record with the date, time and place of the meeting and also indicate on the label the numerical sequence in which the record was made;

(b) Keep the records in chronological order; and

(c) Deposit the records upon completion with the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau.

3. The Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau shall:

(a) Make the records available for accessing by any person during office hours under such reasonable conditions as the Director may deem necessary; and

(b) Retain the records for two bienniums and at the end of that period keep some form or copy of the record in any manner the Director deems reasonable to ensure access to the record in the foreseeable future.

REAPPORTIONMENT AND REDISTRICTING

Rule No. 13. Responsibility for Measures.

The Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections of the Senate and the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections of the Assembly are respectively responsible for measures which primarily affect the designation of the districts from which members are elected to the Legislature. These committees are hereby designated as the "redistricting committees" for the purposes of this Rule and Joint Standing Rules Nos. 13.1, 13.2, 13.3, 13.4 and 14.6.

Rule No. 13.1. Population Database.

1. The total state population, and the population of defined subunits thereof, as determined by the 2010 federal decennial census must be the exclusive database for redistricting by the Nevada Legislature.

2. Such 2010 census data, as validated by the staff of the Legislative Counsel Bureau, must be the exclusive database used for the evaluation of proposed redistricting plans for population equality.

Rule No. 13.2. Districts.

All district boundaries created by a redistricting plan must follow the census geography as nearly as practicable.

Rule No. 13.3. Bill Draft Requests; Exemptions.

1. Except for emergency requests submitted pursuant to Joint Standing Rule No. 14.4, bill draft requests, including bills in skeletal form, setting forth specific boundaries of districts and amendments thereto may only be requested by the chairs of the redistricting committees.

2. All bill drafts and measures requested by a redistricting committee pursuant to subsection 1 are exempt pursuant to subsection 4 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14.6.

Rule No. 13.4. Compliance with the Voting Rights Act.

1. A redistricting committee will not consider a plan that the redistricting committee determines is a violation of section 2 of the Voting Rights Act, 42 U.S.C. § 1973(a), which prohibits any state from imposing any voting qualification, standard, practice or procedure that results in the denial or abridgment of any United States citizen's right to vote on account of race, color or status as a member of a language minority group.

2. A redistricting committee will not consider a plan that the redistricting committee determines is racially gerrymandered. Racial gerrymandering exists when:

(a) Race is the dominant and controlling rationale in drawing district lines; and

(b) The Legislature subordinates traditional districting principles to racial considerations.

3. For the purpose of analyzing the 2010 census data, the redistricting committees shall adopt the method set forth in the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Bulletin No. 00-02 for aggregating and allocating the 63 categories of race data that was reported to Nevada in 2011 by the United States Census Bureau as part of the federal decennial census.

LIMITATIONS ON INTRODUCTION AND REQUESTS FOR DRAFTING OF LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Rule No. 14. Limitations on Drafting and Requirements for Introduction; Indication of Requester on Committee Introductions.

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3 and Joint Standing Rules Nos. 14.4, 14.5 and 14.6, after a regular legislative session has convened, the Legislative Counsel shall honor, if submitted before 5 p.m. on the 15th calendar day of the legislative session, not more than 60 requests, in total, from the standing committees of each House for the drafting of a bill or joint resolution. The Majority Leader of the Senate and the Speaker of the Assembly shall, not later than the 1st calendar day of the legislative session, determine and provide the Legislative Counsel with a written list of the number of requests for the drafting of a bill that may be submitted by each standing committee of their respective Houses, within the limit provided by this subsection. The lists may be revised any time before the 15th calendar day of the legislative

session to reallocate any unused requests or requests which were withdrawn before drafting began on the request.

2. A request for the drafting of a bill or resolution that is submitted by a standing committee pursuant to this section must be approved by a majority of all of the members appointed to the committee before the request is submitted to the Legislative Counsel.

3. A standing committee may only request the drafting of a bill or resolution or introduce a bill or resolution that is within the jurisdiction of the standing committee.

4. A measure introduced by a standing committee at the request of a Legislator or organization must indicate the Legislator or organization at whose request the measure was drafted.

5. The following measures must be introduced by a standing committee:

(a) Measures drafted at the request of agencies and officers of the Executive Branch of State Government, local governments, the courts and other authorized nonlegislative requesters.

(b) Measures requested by statutory committees and interim legislative studies.

(c) Bills requested by a standing committee, or by persons designated to request measures on behalf of a standing committee during the interim. Bills requested by or on behalf of a standing committee must be introduced by that committee.

6. Resolutions requested by or on behalf of a standing committee may be introduced by an individual member.

7. A Legislator may not change the subject matter of a request for a legislative measure after it has been submitted for drafting.

Rule No. 14.1. Secondary Deadline for Submission of Details to the Legislative Counsel.

1. If a request for the drafting of a bill or resolution is submitted to the Legislative Counsel by a standing committee of the Assembly or Senate on or before the 15th calendar day of the legislative session pursuant to subsection 1 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14, the chair of the standing committee or his or her designee shall, by the 22nd calendar day of the legislative session, provide the Legislative Counsel with information to draft the request which is sufficient in detail to allow for complete drafting of the request.

2. The Legislative Counsel shall give priority to the drafting of bills and resolutions for which sufficient detail to allow complete drafting of the request was submitted within the period required by this Rule.

3. The provisions of this Rule apply to a request submitted by a Legislator who is not returning to the Legislature for the legislative session if the request was claimed by another Legislator as the chair of a standing committee who is or will be serving during the legislative session.

4. The provisions of this Rule do not apply to:

(a) Emergency requests submitted pursuant to Joint Standing Rule No. 14.4.

(b) Requests for which a waiver is granted pursuant to Joint Standing Rule No. 14.5.

Rule No. 14.2. Limitations on Time for Introduction of Legislation.

1. Except as otherwise provided in Joint Standing Rules Nos. 14.4, 14.5 and 14.6:

(a) Unless the provisions of paragraph (b) or (c) are applicable, a bill or joint resolution may only be introduced on or before:

(1) The 10th calendar day following delivery of the introductory copy of the bill or joint resolution; or

(2) The last day for introduction of the bill or joint resolution as required by paragraph (d),

↳ whichever is earlier.

(b) If a bill or joint resolution requires revision after the introductory copy has been delivered, such information as is required to draft the revision must be submitted to the Legislative Counsel before the 10th calendar day following delivery of the introductory copy of the bill or joint resolution. The revised bill or joint resolution may only be introduced on or before:

(1) The 15th calendar day following delivery of the original introductory copy of the bill or joint resolution; or

(2) The last day for introduction of the bill or joint resolution as required by paragraph (d),

↳ whichever is earlier.

(c) If the bill or joint resolution requires a second or subsequent revision, such information as is required to draft the revision must be submitted to the Legislative Counsel before the 15th calendar day following delivery of the original introductory copy of the bill or joint resolution. A bill or joint resolution revised pursuant to this paragraph may only be introduced on or before:

(1) The 20th calendar day following delivery of the original introductory copy of the bill or joint resolution; or

(2) The last day for introduction of the bill or joint resolution as required by paragraph (d).

↳ whichever is earlier.

(d) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the last day for introduction of a bill or joint resolution that was requested by:

(1) A Legislator is the 43rd calendar day of the legislative session.

(2) A standing or interim committee or other requester is the 50th calendar day of the legislative session.

2. The Legislative Counsel shall indicate on the face of the introductory copy of each bill or joint resolution the final date on which the bill or joint resolution may be introduced.

3. If the final date on which the bill or joint resolution may be introduced falls upon a day on which the House in which the bill or joint resolution is to be introduced is not in session, the bill or joint resolution may be introduced on the next day that the House is in session.

SCHEDULE FOR ENACTMENT OF BILLS

Rule No. 14.3. Final Dates for Action by Standing Committees and Houses.

Except as otherwise provided in Joint Standing Rules Nos. 14.4, 14.5 and 14.6:

1. The final standing committee to which a bill or joint resolution is referred in its House of origin may only take action on the bill or joint resolution on or before the 68th calendar day of the legislative session. A bill may be re-referred after that date only to the Senate Committee on Finance or the Assembly Committee on Ways and Means and only if the bill is exempt pursuant to subsection 1 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14.6.

2. Final action on a bill or joint resolution may only be taken by the House of origin on or before the 79th calendar day of the legislative session.

3. The final standing committee to which a bill or joint resolution is referred in the second House may only take action on the bill or joint resolution on or before the 103rd calendar day of the legislative session. A bill may be re-referred after that date only to the Senate Committee on Finance or the Assembly Committee on Ways and Means and only if the bill is exempt pursuant to subsection 1 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14.6.

4. Final action on a bill or joint resolution may only be taken by the second House on or before the 110th calendar day of the legislative session.

Rule No. 14.4. Emergency Requests.

1. After a legislative session has convened:

(a) The Majority Leader of the Senate and the Speaker of the Assembly may each submit to the Legislative Counsel, on his or her own behalf or on the behalf of another Legislator or a standing committee of the Senate or Assembly, not more than five requests for the drafting of a bill or resolution.

(b) The Minority Leader of the Senate and the Minority Leader of the Assembly may each submit to the Legislative Counsel, on his or her own behalf or on the behalf of another Legislator or a standing committee of the Senate or Assembly, not more than two requests for the drafting of a bill or resolution.

2. A request submitted pursuant to subsection 1:

(a) May be submitted at any time during the legislative session and is not subject to any of the provisions of subsection 1 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14, Joint Standing Rule No. 14.1, subsection 1 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14.2 and Joint Standing Rule No. 14.3.

(b) Is in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other requests for the drafting of a bill or resolution that are authorized to be submitted to the Legislative Counsel by the Majority Leader of the Senate, Speaker of the Assembly, Minority Leader of the Senate or Minority Leader of the Assembly.

3. The list of requests for the preparation of legislative measures prepared pursuant to NRS 218D.130 must include the phrase "EMERGENCY REQUEST OF" and state the title of the person who requested each bill or resolution pursuant to this Rule. If the request was made on behalf of another Legislator or a standing committee, the list must also include the name of the Legislator or standing committee on whose behalf the bill or resolution was requested.

4. The Legislative Counsel shall cause to be printed on the face of the introductory copy and all reprints of each bill or resolution requested pursuant to this Rule the phrase "EMERGENCY REQUEST OF" and state the title of the person who requested the bill or resolution.

Rule No. 14.5. Waivers.

1. At the request of a Legislator or a standing or select committee of the Senate or Assembly, subsection 1 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14, subsection 1 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14.2 or any of the provisions of Joint Standing Rules Nos. 14.1 and 14.3, or any combination thereof, may be waived by the Majority Leader of the Senate and the Speaker of the Assembly, acting jointly, at any time during a legislative session. A request for a waiver submitted by a committee must be approved by a majority of all members appointed to the committee before the request is submitted to the Majority Leader and the Speaker.

2. A waiver granted pursuant to subsection 1:

(a) Must be in writing, executed on a form provided by the Legislative Counsel, and signed by the Majority Leader and the Speaker.

(b) Must indicate the date on which the waiver is granted.

(c) Must indicate the Legislator or committee on whose behalf the waiver is being granted.

(d) Must include the bill number for which the waiver is granted or indicate that the Legislative Counsel is authorized to accept and honor a request for a new bill or resolution.

(e) Must indicate the provisions to which the waiver applies.

(f) May include the conditions under which the bill for which the waiver is being granted must be introduced and processed.

3. The Legislative Counsel shall not honor a request for the drafting of a new bill or resolution for which a waiver is granted pursuant to this Rule unless information which is sufficient in detail to allow for complete drafting of the bill or resolution is submitted to the Legislative Counsel within 2 calendar days after the date on which the waiver is granted.

4. Upon the receipt of a written waiver granted pursuant to this Rule, the Legislative Counsel shall transmit a copy of the waiver to the Secretary of the Senate and the Chief Clerk of the Assembly. The notice that a waiver has been granted for an existing bill must be read on the floor and entered in the Journal, and a notation that the waiver was granted must be included as a part of the history of the bill on the next practicable legislative day. A notation that a waiver was granted authorizing a new bill or resolution must be included as a part of the history of the bill or resolution after introduction.

5. The Legislative Counsel shall secure the original copy of the waiver to the official cover of the bill or resolution.

Rule No. 14.6. Exemptions.

1. Upon request of the draft by or referral to the Senate Committee on Finance or the Assembly Committee on Ways and Means, a bill which:

(a) Contains an appropriation; or

(b) Has been determined by the Fiscal Analysis Division to:

(1) Authorize the expenditure by a state agency of sums not appropriated from the State General Fund or the State Highway Fund;

(2) Create or increase any significant fiscal liability of the State;

(3) Implement a budget decision; or

(4) Significantly decrease any revenue of the State,

is exempt from the provisions of subsection 1 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14, Joint Standing Rule No. 14.1, subsection 1 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14.2 and Joint Standing Rule No. 14.3. The Fiscal Analysis Division shall give notice to the Legislative Counsel to cause to be printed on the face of the bill the term "exempt" for any bills requested by the Senate Committee on Finance or Assembly Committee on Ways and Means that have been determined to be exempt and shall give written notice to the Legislative Counsel, Secretary of the Senate and Chief Clerk

of the Assembly of any bill which is determined to be exempt or eligible for exemption after it is printed. When a bill is determined to be exempt or eligible for an exemption after the bill was printed, a notation must be included as a part of the history of the bill on the next practicable legislative day. The term "exempt" must be printed on the face of all reprints of the bill after the bill becomes exempt.

2. Unless exempt pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 1, all of the provisions of Joint Standing Rules Nos. 14, 14.1, 14.2 and 14.3 apply to a bill until the bill becomes exempt pursuant to subsection 1. A bill that has become exempt does not lose the exemption regardless of subsequent actions taken by the Legislature.

3. A cumulative list of all bills determined by the Fiscal Analysis Division pursuant to subsection 1 to be exempt or eligible for exemption after being printed must be maintained and printed in the back of the list of requests for the preparation of legislative measures prepared pursuant to NRS 218D.130.

4. The provisions of subsection 1 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14, Joint Standing Rule No. 14.1, subsection 1 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14.2 and Joint Standing Rule No. 14.3 do not apply to:

(a) A measure that primarily relates to carrying out the business of the Legislature.

(b) A bill returned from enrollment for a technical correction.

(c) A bill that was previously enrolled but, upon request of the Legislature, has been returned from the Governor for further consideration.

(d) A bill draft or measure requested pursuant to subsection 1 of Joint Standing Rule No. 13.3.

Rule No. 14.7. Amendments.

1. The Legislative Counsel shall not honor a request for the drafting of an amendment to a bill or resolution if the subject matter of the amendment is independent of, and not specifically related and properly connected to, the subject that is expressed in the title of the bill or resolution.

2. For the purposes of this Rule, an amendment is independent of, and not specifically related and properly connected to, the subject that is expressed in the title of a bill or resolution if the amendment relates only to the general, single subject that is expressed in that title and not to the specific whole subject matter embraced in the bill or resolution.

3. This Rule must be narrowly construed to carry out the purposes for which it was adopted, which is to ensure the effectiveness of the limitations set forth in Joint Standing Rules Nos. 14, 14.1, 14.2 and 14.3.

Rule No. 15. Reserved.

Rule No. 16. Reserved.

DATE OF FIRST JOINT BUDGET HEARING

Rule No. 17. Requirement.

The first joint meeting of the Senate Standing Committee on Finance and the Assembly Standing Committee on Ways and Means to consider the budgets of the agencies of the State must be held on or before the 92nd calendar day of the regular session.

CRITERIA FOR REVIEWING BILLS THAT REQUIRE POLICIES OF HEALTH INSURANCE TO PROVIDE COVERAGE FOR CERTAIN TREATMENT OR SERVICES

Rule No. 18. Topics of Consideration.

Any standing committee of the Senate or Assembly to which a bill is referred requiring a policy of health insurance delivered or issued for delivery in this State to provide coverage for any treatment or service shall review the bill giving consideration to:

1. The level of public demand for the treatment or service for which coverage is required and the extent to which such coverage is needed in this State;

2. The extent to which coverage for the treatment or service is currently available;

3. The extent to which the required coverage may increase or decrease the cost of the treatment or service;

4. The effect the required coverage will have on the cost of obtaining policies of health insurance in this State;

5. *The effect the required coverage will have on the cost of health care provided in this State; and*

6. *Such other considerations as are necessary to determine the fiscal and social impact of requiring coverage for the treatment or service.*

INTERIM FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES

Rule No. 19. *Date for Reporting.*

Each legislative committee that adopted any findings or recommendations during the interim since the last regular session of the Legislature shall, not later than the 14th calendar day of the regular session, inform interested members of the Senate and Assembly of those findings and recommendations.

ANTI-HARASSMENT POLICY

Rule No. 20. *Maintenance of Working Environment; Procedure for Filing, Investigating and Taking Remedial Action on Complaints.*

1. *The Legislature hereby declares that it is the policy of the Legislature to prohibit any conduct, whether intentional or unintentional, which results in sexual harassment or other unlawful harassment based upon any other protected category. The Legislature intends to maintain a working environment which is free from sexual harassment and other unlawful harassment. Each Legislator is responsible to conduct himself or herself in a manner which will ensure that others are able to work in such an environment.*

2. *In accordance with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000e et seq., for the purposes of this Rule, "sexual harassment" means unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature when:*

(a) *Submission to such conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of a person's employment;*

(b) *Submission to or rejection of such conduct by a person is used as the basis for employment decisions affecting the person; or*

(c) *Such conduct has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with a person's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive working environment.*

3. *Each Legislator must exercise his or her own good judgment to avoid engaging in conduct that may be perceived by others as sexual harassment. The following noninclusive list provides illustrations of conduct that the Legislature deems to be inappropriate:*

(a) *Verbal conduct such as epithets, derogatory comments, slurs or unwanted sexual advances, invitations or comments;*

(b) *Visual conduct such as derogatory posters, photography, cartoons, drawings or gestures;*

(c) *Physical conduct such as unwanted touching, blocking normal movement or interfering with the work directed at a person because of his or her sex; and*

(d) *Threats and demands to submit to sexual requests to keep a person's job or avoid some other loss, and offers of employment benefits in return for sexual favors.*

4. *Retaliation against a person for engaging in protected activity is prohibited. Retaliation occurs when an adverse action is taken against a person which is reasonably likely to deter the person from engaging in the protected activity. Protected activity includes, without limitation:*

(a) *Opposing conduct that the person reasonably believes constitutes sexual harassment or other unlawful harassment;*

(b) *Filing a complaint about the conduct; or*

(c) *Testifying, assisting or participating in any manner in an investigation or other proceeding related to a complaint of sexual harassment or other unlawful harassment.*

5. *A Legislator who encounters conduct that the Legislator believes is sexual harassment, other unlawful harassment, retaliation or otherwise inconsistent with this policy may file a written complaint with:*

(a) *The Speaker of the Assembly;*

(b) *The Majority Leader of the Senate; or*

(c) *The Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau, if the complaint involves the conduct of the Speaker of the Assembly or the Majority Leader of the Senate.*

➤ *The complaint must include the details of the incident or incidents, the names of the persons involved and the names of any witnesses.*

6. *The Speaker of the Assembly, the Majority Leader of the Senate or the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau, as appropriate, shall cause a discreet and impartial investigation to be conducted and may, when deemed necessary and appropriate, assign the complaint to a committee consisting of Legislators of the appropriate House.*

7. *If the investigation reveals that sexual harassment, other unlawful harassment, retaliation or other conduct in violation of this policy has occurred, appropriate disciplinary or remedial action, or both, will be taken. The appropriate persons will be informed when any such action is taken. The Legislature will also take any action necessary to deter any future harassment.*

8. *The Legislature encourages a Legislator to report any incident of sexual harassment, other unlawful harassment, retaliation or other conduct inconsistent with this policy immediately so that the complaint can be quickly and fairly resolved.*

9. *All Legislators are responsible for adhering to the provisions of this policy. The prohibitions against engaging in sexual harassment and other unlawful harassment which are set forth in this Rule apply to employees, Legislators, lobbyists, vendors, contractors, customers and any other visitors to the Legislature.*

10. *This policy does not create any enforceable legal rights in any person.*

VOTE ON GENERAL APPROPRIATION BILL

Rule No. 21. *Waiting Period Between Introduction and Final Passage.*

A period of at least 24 hours must elapse between the introduction of the general appropriation bill and a vote on its final passage by its House of origin.

USE OF LOCK BOXES BY STATE AGENCIES

Rule No. 22. *Duties of Senate Standing Committee on Finance and Assembly Standing Committee on Ways and Means.*

To expedite the deposit of state revenue, the Senate Standing Committee on Finance and the Assembly Standing Committee on Ways and Means shall, when reviewing the proposed budget of a state agency which collects state revenue, require, if practicable, the agency to deposit revenue that it has received within 24 hours after receipt. The Committees shall allow such agencies to deposit the revenue directly or contract with a service to deposit the revenue within the specified period.

Senator Roberson moved the adoption of the resolution.

Remarks by Senator Ford.

Unfortunately, I have to rise in opposition to the adoption of these rules. There is a great difference between the 2011 version of the rules and these rules, and the 2013 version of the rules and these rules. Inclusive of that are provisions related to redistricting and reapportionment, more particularly, provisions related to participation afforded to southern Nevadans, northern Nevadans and Nevadans all over our State to participate in a process that is such an important part of the electoral process as a whole in our State. Absent the inclusion of the participation provisions from the 2011 version of our Joint Rules, our Caucus cannot support the rules.

Resolution adopted.

Resolution ordered transmitted to the Assembly.

GUESTS EXTENDED PRIVILEGE OF SENATE FLOOR

On request of Senator Atkinson, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Sherwood Atkinson, Kimi Cole, Janice Flanagan and Marty McGarry.

On request of Senator Brower, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Kaitlin Brower Loren Brower.

On request of Senator Denis, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to David Cook, Catherine Denis,

Dallin Denis, Danae Denis, Dustin Denis, Susan Denis, Anderson Gale, Diana Gale, Kristofferson Denis and Andrew Holbert.

On request of Senator Farley, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Tabea Hedrich, Brooke Saavedra, Jordan Saavedra and Stella Thornton.

On request of Senator Ford, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Alexander Ford, Devin Ford, Jonas Claiborne and Berna Rhodes-Ford.

On request of Senator Gustavson, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Cathy Gustavson, Don V. Gustavson, Holly Saulnier, Kayla-Lee Saulnier, Kerry Saulnier and Donna Stoller.

On request of Senator Hammond, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Isabella Hammond, Olivia Hammond, Sofia Hammond, Tonya Hammond and Tomas Hammond.

On request of Senator Hardy, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Jill Hardy.

On request of Senator Harris, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Brent Beckstead, Garth Harris and Mallory Harris.

On request of Senator Kieckhefer, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Aspen Kieckhefer, Austin Kieckhefer, Lincoln Kieckhefer, Lucerne Kieckhefer, Debbie West and April West Kieckhefer.

On request of Senator Kihuen, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Esther Calata, Armando Kihuen, Blanca Kihuen, Jorge Kihuen, Mariana Kihuen, Omar Kihuen, Roberta Lange, Sam Lieberman, Claritssa Sanchez, Jennifer Sanders, Chris Wicker and Jisel Yanice Perez.

On request of Senator Lipparelli, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Lindsey Chandler, Carmen Lipparelli, Grace Lipparelli and Ryan Lipparelli.

On request of Senator Manendo, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Ciria Perez and Robin Reddle.

On request of Senator Parks, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Henry Chaparro-Cuevas and Peggy Lear Bowen.

On request of Senator Roberson, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Liberty Leavitt, Linda Leavitt, Mike Leavitt and Karen Shamblin.

On request of Senator Settlemyer, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Nancy McDermid, Marilyn McElhany and Sherese Settlemyer.

On request of Senator Spearman, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Julian Davis, Roberta Lange, Sharlene Myles, Patrick O'Guinn, Donna Spearman and Gabby Spearman-Davis.

On request of Senator Woodhouse, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Linda Cavazos, Larry Jackson, Chris J. Miller and Danielle Monroe-Moreno.

Senator Roberson moved that the Senate adjourn until Tuesday, February 3, 2015, at 11:00 a.m.

Motion carried.

Senate adjourned at 3:46 p.m.

Approved:

MARK A. HUTCHISON
President of the Senate

Attest: CLAIRE J. CLIFT
Secretary of the Senate