
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 8—SENATORS CANNIZZARO,
RATTI, SETTELMAYER AND HARDY

MAY 31, 2021

Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Expresses appreciation to the staff of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for their service during the 81st Session of the Nevada Legislature. (BDR R-1187)

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

SENATE RESOLUTION—Expressing appreciation to the staff of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for their service during the 81st Session of the Nevada Legislature.

1 WHEREAS, The Legislative Counsel Bureau was established in
2 1945 to provide the Nevada Legislature with independent, unbiased
3 information and assistance to address the increasingly complex
4 policy and fiscal issues that arise each legislative session; and

5 WHEREAS, The Legislative Counsel Bureau strives to meet the
6 ever-increasing challenges of providing nonpartisan, centralized
7 services to members of both Houses of the Legislature and their
8 constituents in the most efficient, professional manner possible; and

9 WHEREAS, Through the years, the Legislative Counsel Bureau
10 has evolved into an organization of public servants who provide a
11 full range of services for the “people’s branch” of government; and

12 WHEREAS, In the Administrative Division of the Legislative
13 Counsel Bureau, the staff of Information Technology Services and
14 Broadcast and Production Services innovated to adapt the legislative
15 process to new virtual technologies, the staff of the Buildings Unit,
16 the Grounds Unit and the Janitorial Unit have meticulously
17 maintained the beauty, safety and cleanliness of the legislative
18 buildings and grounds, and the staff of the Accounting Unit, the
19 General Services Unit and the Las Vegas Office have performed
20 their roles expertly to ensure that members had access to support
21 services and to keep the Legislature functioning smoothly; and

22 WHEREAS, In the Director’s Office, the Human Resources
23 Counsel worked to keep everyone in the building safe, coordinating



1 COVID-19 testing on-site and vaccination events for Legislators,
2 staff and members of the press, the Legislative Police ensured the
3 safety of the building through the implementation of a new
4 screening process for visitors, the State Printing Office carried out
5 the enormous task of printing bills, resolutions and other session
6 documents and the Gift Shop stocked pandemic-related merchandise
7 such as face masks and kept the store open through online sales
8 despite the closure of the Legislative Building; and

9 WHEREAS, The Legislative Auditor and the staff of the Audit
10 Division continued to provide the Legislature with independent and
11 reliable information about the operations of state agencies,
12 programs, activities and functions by conducting high-quality
13 performance audits to promote accountability in State Government
14 and by overseeing the annual single audit of State Government to
15 ensure continued funding of federal programs; and

16 WHEREAS, The Senate and Assembly Fiscal Analysts and the
17 staff of the Fiscal Analysis Division reviewed the Governor's
18 Executive Budget and related bills and amendments while
19 maintaining their usual accuracy and efficiency, provided
20 expenditure and revenue analyses, provided staff support for the
21 Senate Committees on Finance and Revenue and Economic
22 Development and the Assembly Committees on Revenue and Ways
23 and Means and responded to the Legislators' requests for
24 information concerning budgets and taxation; and

25 WHEREAS, The Legislative Counsel and the staff of the Legal
26 Division drafted and processed legislation and amendments to
27 legislation with meticulous attention to detail, while also providing
28 legal counsel to standing committees, meeting remotely and in-
29 person, and providing legal opinions to Legislators and staff on a
30 wide range of issues, completing a daunting quantity of work under
31 the rigorous scheduling demands of the legislative session; and

32 WHEREAS, The Research Director and the staff of the Research
33 Division, including the Research Library and Constituent Services
34 Unit, provided research and analysis of current and proposed public
35 programs and policies, drafted volumes of floor statements and
36 responded promptly and thoroughly to Legislator and constituent
37 requests for information, all while deftly navigating the logistical
38 challenges of new remote technologies; and

39 WHEREAS, During the legislative session, the staff of the
40 Legislative Counsel Bureau provided services eagerly and
41 professionally, regardless of the time of day or number of hours
42 required, and willingly sacrificed time with family and loved ones to
43 ensure that legislative business could be completed in a timely and
44 efficient manner; now, therefore be it



1 RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, That the
2 members of the Senate do hereby express their sincere appreciation
3 to the outstanding employees of the Legislative Counsel Bureau and
4 commend their dedication, cooperation, excellent work and
5 willingness to serve the State; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and
7 transmit a copy of this resolution to Brenda J. Erdoes, Director of
8 the Legislative Counsel Bureau; and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That this resolution becomes effective upon
10 adoption.

