

# NEVADA LEGISLATURE

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## ASSEMBLY DAILY JOURNAL

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### THE SIXTY-FIRST DAY

CARSON CITY (Friday), April 2, 2021

Assembly called to order at 11:30 a.m.

Mr. Speaker presiding.

Roll called.

All present except Assemblywoman Jauregui, who was excused.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Father Jeff Paul.

We bathe our souls in the well of wisdom: drop of protection, drop of strength, drop of healing,  
be upon our being, our minds, our hearts.

May this triple blessing be upon our souls, from dawn's chill light, till swift twilight.

We invoke blessing and protection upon this Assembly, upon all who work herein.

AMEN.

Pledge of allegiance to the Flag.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that further reading of the Journal be dispensed with and the Speaker and Chief Clerk be authorized to make the necessary corrections and additions.

Motion carried.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

*Mr. Speaker:*

Your Committee on Commerce and Labor, to which was referred Assembly Bill No. 290, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass.

SANDRA JAUREGUI, *Chair*

*Mr. Speaker:*

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which were referred Assembly Bills Nos. 151, 182, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Amend, and do pass as amended.

STEVE YEAGER, *Chair*

#### SECOND READING AND AMENDMENT

Assembly Bill No. 187.

Bill read second time.

The following amendment was proposed by the Committee on Government Affairs:

Amendment No. 48.

ASSEMBLYMEN FRIERSON, TITUS, BENITEZ-THOMPSON, MONROE-MORENO, C.H. MILLER; ANDERSON, BILBRAY-AXELROD, **BLACK**, BROWN-MAY, CARLTON, COHEN, CONSIDINE, **DICKMAN**, DURAN, **ELLISON**, FLORES, GONZÁLEZ, GORELOW, JAUREGUI, MARTINEZ, MARZOLA, **MATTHEWS**, BRITTNEY MILLER, NGUYEN, ORENTLICHER, PETERS, SUMMERS-ARMSTRONG, THOMAS, TORRES, WATTS AND YEAGER

AN ACT relating to periods of observance; designating the month of September of each year as “Ovarian and Prostate Cancer Prevention and Awareness Month” in this State; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

Under existing law, various days, weeks and months of observance are recognized in this State. (NRS 236.018-236.090) This bill designates the month of September of each year as “Ovarian and Prostate Cancer Prevention and Awareness Month” in this State and requires the Governor to issue annually a proclamation encouraging the observance of Ovarian and Prostate Cancer Prevention and Awareness Month.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** Chapter 236 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

**1. The month of September of each year is designated as “Ovarian and Prostate Cancer Prevention and Awareness Month” in this State.**

**2. The Governor shall issue annually a proclamation encouraging the observance of Ovarian and Prostate Cancer Prevention and Awareness Month. The proclamation must, without limitation, call upon news media, educators, health care providers and appropriate governmental officers to:**

**(a) Bring to the attention of Nevada’s residents factual information regarding the diagnosis and treatment of ovarian and prostate cancer; and**

**(b) Emphasize the potential for the prevention of ovarian and prostate cancer.**

**Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

Assemblyman Flores moved the adoption of the amendment.

Remarks by Assemblyman Flores.

Amendment adopted.

Bill ordered reprinted, engrossed and to third reading.

GENERAL FILE AND THIRD READING

Assembly Bill No. 227.

Bill read third time.

Remarks by Assemblymen Carlton and Leavitt.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN CARLTON:

Assembly Bill 227 provides that a contractor may personally perform work that requires a contractor's license, or may perform the work by or through employees of the contractor or of another contractor. Additionally, those persons, or a person employed by a private employment agency licensed by the Labor Commissioner, may perform for a contractor work that does not require a contractor's license.

The measure revises the list of acts that constitute cause for disciplinary action against a licensee by the State Contractors' Board to include entering into an agreement with a natural person who is not an employee of the licensed contractor and not licensed as a contractor, to perform for the licensed contractor any work that requires a contractor's license. In addition to any disciplinary action or other action that may be taken against the licensed contractor, such an agreement is void and unenforceable. This bill is effective upon passage and approval.

There was a lot of conversation about this bill in Commerce and Labor and there was an amendment that was proposed that basically would have driven a Mack truck through the bill. But there is another amendment that I am working on, and I am a woman of my word. It has been insinuated that I am not serious about working on that amendment—I am deadly serious about working on it. We have a two-house system for a reason. I just want to put it on the record: My word is my bond. If you have a problem with it, come talk to me.

ASSEMBLYMAN LEAVITT:

I rise today in opposition to Assembly Bill 227. While there may be a need to clarify current provisions relating to the oversight of private employment agencies, I believe this bill goes too far. Over 4,300 Nevadans were employed last year in skilled labor by private employment agencies, and this legislation would eliminate their ability to work under private employment agencies. In a time when we, the state, are fighting to beat back the economic impacts of the past year, it is imprudent to take an action such as this.

I do want to acknowledge the sponsor's willingness to meet with stakeholders to come up with a viable solution and amendments. If one can be attained, I can concur at that time.

Roll call on Assembly Bill No. 227:

YEAS—25.

NAYS—Black, Dickman, Ellison, Hafen, Hansen, Hardy, Kasama, Krasner, Leavitt, Matthews, McArthur, O'Neill, Roberts, Titus, Tolles, Wheeler—16.

EXCUSED—Jauregui.

Assembly Bill No. 227 having received a constitutional majority, Mr. Speaker declared it passed.

Bill ordered transmitted to the Senate.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

SIGNING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

There being no objections, the Speaker and Chief Clerk signed Assembly Bill No. 9 and Assembly Resolution No. 5.

REMARKS FROM THE FLOOR

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the Assembly adjourn until Monday, April 5, 2021, at 11:30 a.m.

Motion carried.

Assembly adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

Approved:

JASON FRIERSON  
*Speaker of the Assembly*

Attest: SUSAN FURLONG  
*Chief Clerk of the Assembly*