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CARSON CITY (Wednesday), March 15, 2023

Assembly called to order at 11:36 a.m.

Mr. Speaker presiding.

Roll called.

All present.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Pastor Jerome Washington.

Almighty God, as we come before You today, we give You thanks for the many blessings You have bestowed upon this great state.

As we gather here today in peace and harmony, we ask that You look over our Legislators and we pray they seek You to be their guiding light, giving them wisdom and knowledge as they speak for and make sound decisions. Give them clarity of thought and vision as they address the matters of our state and allow them to work peaceably with one another under one common bond to meet the needs of and to serve Your people.

As we come together for this Veterans and Military Day at the Legislature, we thank You for those who have served and continue to serve our great and powerful nation. We thank You and honor them, for it is because of their selfless service and sacrifice we can be the land of the free because of the brave. Because of them, we are able to continue to enjoy the freedoms that You have graciously bestowed upon us. We ask that You continue to look over those who even now guard the gates of freedom both in peace and at war.

Please continue to be a comforter to those families whose loved ones have paid the ultimate sacrifice and laid their lives down for ours, as they heard their final call of duty. Let us not forget their service as You have welcomed them home.

As I close, may we have a moment of silence and prayer in our respective tongues for those departed comrades, those missing in action, those held prisoners of war. These and all other blessings we ask in Your Name.

AMEN.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Assemblywoman Jauregui 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 Education, to which was referred Assembly Bill No. 43, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass.

SHANNON BILBRAY-AXELROD, *Chair*

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Government Affairs, to which were referred Assembly Bills Nos. 3, 33, 36, 82; Assembly Joint Resolution No. 1, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass.

SELENA TORRES, *Chair*

Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Growth and Infrastructure, to which were referred Assembly Bills Nos. 2, 47, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass.

HOWARD WATTS, *Chair*

COMMUNICATIONS

UNITED STATES SENATE

March 10, 2023

THE HONORABLE STEVE YEAGER, *Speaker of the Nevada Assembly*

THE HONORABLE NICOLE CANNIZZARO, *Majority Leader of the Nevada State Senate*

401 South Carson Street
Carson City, Nevada 89701

DEAR SPEAKER YEAGER AND LEADER CANNIZZARO:

I respectfully request the opportunity to address the distinguished members of the Nevada Legislature on Monday, April 3, 2023. I look forward to sharing with you and your colleagues information regarding the important issues the United States Senate will be facing in the upcoming months and how they will affect the state of Nevada. I thank you in advance for your consideration of my request, and I look forward to seeing you soon. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact my Scheduler, Nicole Echeto, at 202-224-6244.

Sincerely,
JACKY ROSEN
U.S. Senator

UNITED STATES SENATE

March 14, 2023

THE HONORABLE STEVE YEAGER, *Speaker, Nevada State Assembly*

THE HONORABLE NICOLE J. CANNIZZARO, *Majority Leader, Nevada State Senate*

401 South Carson Street
Carson City, Nevada 89701

DEAR SPEAKER YEAGER AND LEADER CANNIZZARO:

I am writing to request the opportunity to speak before the distinguished members of the Nevada State Legislature on Tuesday, April 11, 2023. I look forward to speaking about the pressing issues before the United States Congress in the upcoming months and how they will affect the great state of Nevada. I thank you in advance for your kind consideration and look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,
CATHERINE CORTEZ MASTO
United States Senator

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

March 14, 2023

The Fiscal Analysis Division, pursuant to Joint Standing Rule No. 14.6, has determined the eligibility for exemption of: Assembly Bills Nos. 88, 154, 184, 195, 198, 203, 219, 224, 248, 249, 279.

SARAH COFFMAN
Fiscal Analysis Division

Assemblywoman Jauregui moved that the person as set forth on the Nevada Legislature’s Press Accreditation List of March 15, 2023, be accepted as an accredited press representative, assigned space at the press table in the Assembly Chamber, allowed the use of appropriate broadcasting facilities, and that the list be included in this day’s journal:

KNPR-NEVADA PUBLIC RADIO: Connor Keaney.

Motion carried.

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND REFERENCE

By Assemblymen Hibbetts, D’Silva, Yurek and Carter:

Assembly Bill No. 301—AN ACT relating to public employees; revising the definition of “police officer” to include certain school police officers, juvenile probation officers and bailiffs and deputy marshals of municipal courts for the purposes of certain benefits and exemptions; specifying that the use of certain designations by the Department of Public Safety or a division officer or employee of the Department does not exclude certain employees of the Department from the definition of “police officer” for the purposes of certain benefits and exemptions; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblywoman Marzola moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Commerce and Labor.

Motion carried.

By Assemblywoman Backus:

Assembly Bill No. 302—AN ACT relating to public safety; providing for the issuance of a limited-purpose identification card to be used to provide identification for the purpose of challenging the accuracy or sufficiency of information relating to certain records of criminal history; providing penalties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblyman Watts moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Growth and Infrastructure.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Growth and Infrastructure:

Assembly Bill No. 303—AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; revising provisions relating to the towing of a motor vehicle when a tow is requested by certain persons; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblyman Watts moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Growth and Infrastructure.

Motion carried.

By Assemblywoman Anderson:

Assembly Bill No. 304—AN ACT relating to special license plates; eliminating the requirement to provide proof of current or former employment as a professional full-time salaried firefighter or current or former service as a volunteer firefighter in an application for the renewal of certain special license plates recognizing such employment or service; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblyman Watts moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Growth and Infrastructure.

Motion carried.

By Assemblywomen Monroe-Moreno and Considine:

Assembly Bill No. 305—AN ACT relating to public works; requiring a contractor or subcontractor to comply with certain requirements relating to the use of apprentices who are women on a public work; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblywoman Torres moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By Assemblymen McArthur, Torres, D'Silva and Gray:

Assembly Bill No. 306—AN ACT relating to state business licenses; requiring the Secretary of State to waive the fees charged for the issuance and renewal of a state business license for certain veteran-owned businesses; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblywoman Monroe-Moreno moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion carried.

By Assemblymen Dickman, Gray, Gallant, Hansen, DeLong, Gurr, Hafen, Koenig, McArthur and O'Neill; Senators Stone, Hansen, Goicoechea and Titus:

Assembly Bill No. 307—AN ACT relating to elections; establishing procedures for the use of absent ballots in an election; requiring, with certain exceptions, proof of identity for voting in person; requiring the Department of Motor Vehicles, under certain circumstances, to issue identification cards at no charge; requiring a voter to include certain personal identifying information with his or her absent ballot; prohibiting, with certain exceptions, a person from returning an absent ballot on behalf of a voter; repealing provisions that require county and city clerks to prepare and distribute mail ballots to certain registered voters for every election; repealing provisions relating to voting,

collecting, verifying and counting mail ballots; providing penalties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblywoman Gorelow moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections.

Motion carried.

By Assemblymen Mosca, González, Nguyen, D’Silva, Brittney Miller and Torres and Senator Nguyen:

Assembly Bill No. 308—AN ACT relating to education; requiring a school district that employs certain visa holders as teachers to conduct an orientation and certain meetings to aid the holders of the visas and their accompanying spouses and dependents in transitioning to employment in the school district and life in the community; prohibiting a school district from contracting or partnering with persons or entities who charge more than a certain amount of fees and costs related to the employment of such visa holders; requiring the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Education to conduct an interim study on the employment of certain federal visa holders as teachers; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblywoman Bilbray-Axelrod moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Education.

Motion carried.

By Assemblywoman Hansen:

Assembly Bill No. 309—AN ACT relating to property rights; authorizing the use of electronic ballots for the election and removal of members of the executive board of a unit-owners’ association of a common-interest community and for the election of delegates or representatives to exercise the voting rights of units’ owners in an association; authorizing a member of the executive board who is subject to removal to submit a written request for a meeting of the executive board to discuss the member’s removal; specifying that an association is authorized to conduct a vote for the election or removal of a member of the executive board without a meeting; authorizing an association that conducts a vote without a meeting to allow the units’ owners to vote by using a voting machine; establishing requirements relating to the use of electronic voting for the election or removal of a member of the executive board without a meeting; authorizing money in the operating account of an association to be withdrawn without the usual required signatures for the purpose of making certain automatic and annual payments; requiring the Commission for Common-Interest Communities and Condominium Hotels to adopt regulations establishing the requirements relating to the transfer of certain items upon the termination or assignment of a management agreement; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblywoman Brittney Miller moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

By Assemblywoman Monroe-Moreno:

Assembly Bill No. 310—AN ACT relating to affordable housing; requiring the Housing Division of the Department of Business and Industry to develop and implement a supportive housing grant program; creating the Nevada Supportive Housing Development Fund in the State Treasury; making an appropriation; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblywoman Torres moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

By Assemblywoman Bilbray-Axelrod:

Assembly Bill No. 311—AN ACT relating to health care; authorizing a hospital to enter into an agreement with the Armed Forces of the United States for the provision of care by a person who is not licensed to provide care under certain circumstances; exempting certain federal employees who provide care within the scope of their official duties from requirements governing the licensure and regulation of certain health professionals; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblywoman Peters moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Motion carried.

SECOND READING AND AMENDMENT

Assembly Bill No. 17.

Bill read second time and ordered to third reading.

Assembly Bill No. 19.

Bill read second time and ordered to third reading.

Assembly Bill No. 68.

Bill read second time and ordered to third reading.

Assembly Bill No. 76.

Bill read second time and ordered to third reading.

Assembly Bill No. 231.

Bill read second time and ordered to third reading.

Assembly Bill No. 268.

Bill read second time.

The following amendment was proposed by the Committee on Ways and Means:

Amendment No. 4.

SUMMARY—Makes ~~an appropriation to the Office of Finance in the Office of the Governor~~ **appropriations** for the payment of retention incentives to **certain** employees of the ~~Executive Department of the~~ State Government. (BDR S-1037)

AN ACT making ~~an appropriation to the Office of Finance in the Office of the Governor~~ **appropriations** for the payment of retention incentives to **certain** employees of the ~~Executive Department of the~~ State Government; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

Section 1. 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State General Fund to the Office of Finance in the Office of the Governor the sum of ~~[\$23,000,000]~~ **\$20,970,000** for the payment of retention incentives in accordance with subsection 2 to each person who is an employee in ~~the~~ :

(a) The Executive ~~Branch~~ Department of the State Government, of the State of Nevada, except persons described in paragraph (b) of subsection 1 of NRS 284.013; **except:**

(1) Employees of the Nevada System of Higher Education other than the employees of the System in the classified service, as described in subsection 4 of NRS 284.140.

(2) Persons whose compensation is paid from a budget account that is not subject to NRS 353.150 to 353.246, inclusive, except as otherwise provided in section 3 of this act.

(3) Persons whose positions are temporary, intermittent or seasonal or are positions for which there is a critical labor shortage pursuant to NRS 286.523.

(b) The Judicial Department of the State Government, except persons whose positions are temporary, intermittent or seasonal or are positions for which there is a critical labor shortage pursuant to NRS 286.523.

2. A retention incentive of \$500 must be paid from the money appropriated by subsection 1 to each person **who is eligible for the payment, as** described in subsection 1, **and** who is so employed on:

- (a) March 31, 2023.
- (b) June 16, 2023.

3. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2023, by the entity to which the appropriation is made or any entity to which money from the appropriation is granted or otherwise transferred in any manner, and any portion of the appropriated money remaining must not be spent for any purpose after September 15, 2023, by either the entity to which the money was appropriated or the entity to which the money was subsequently granted or transferred, and must be reverted to the State General Fund on or before September 15, 2023.

Sec. 2. 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State General Fund to the Legislative Fund created by NRS 218A.150 the sum of \$325,000 for the payment of retention incentives in accordance with subsection 2 to each person who is an employee in the Legislative Department of the State Government, except persons whose positions are

for a legislative session or are otherwise temporary, intermittent or seasonal.

2. A retention incentive of \$500 must be paid from the money appropriated by subsection 1 to each person who is eligible for the payment, as described in subsection 1, and who is so employed on:

(a) March 31, 2023.

(b) June 16, 2023.

3. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2023, by the entity to which the appropriation is made or any entity to which money from the appropriation is granted or otherwise transferred in any manner, and any portion of the appropriated money remaining must not be spent for any purpose after September 15, 2023, by either the entity to which the money was appropriated or the entity to which the money was subsequently granted or transferred, and must be reverted to the State General Fund on or before September 15, 2023.

Sec. 3. 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State General Fund to the Public Employees' Retirement System the sum of \$81,000 for the payment of retention incentives in accordance with subsection 2 to each person who is an employee of the Public Employees' Retirement System, except persons whose positions are temporary, intermittent or seasonal or are positions for which there is a critical labor shortage pursuant to NRS 286.523.

2. A retention incentive of \$500 must be paid from the money appropriated by subsection 1 to each person who is eligible for the payment, as described in subsection 1, and who is so employed on:

(a) March 31, 2023.

(b) June 16, 2023.

3. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2023, by the entity to which the appropriation is made or any entity to which money from the appropriation is granted or otherwise transferred in any manner, and any portion of the appropriated money remaining must not be spent for any purpose after September 15, 2023, by either the entity to which the money was appropriated or the entity to which the money was subsequently granted or transferred, and must be reverted to the State General Fund on or before September 15, 2023.

~~{Sec. 2.}~~ Sec. 4. This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

Assemblywoman Monroe-Moreno moved the adoption of the amendment.

Remarks by Assemblywoman Monroe-Moreno.

Amendment adopted.

Bill ordered reprinted, engrossed and to third reading.

GUESTS EXTENDED PRIVILEGE OF ASSEMBLY FLOOR

On request of Assemblywoman Shea Backus, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Kiera Ramirez, Breelyn Wheeler, and Hoa Dao.

On request of Assemblywoman Shannon Bilbray-Axelrod, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Wendell Carl Blaylock and Molly Bilbray-Axelrod.

On request of Assemblyman Max Carter, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Christopher Schroeder.

On request of Assemblywoman Lesley Cohen, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Natalie Dunlap, Ella Henckel-Price, and Nicole Patton.

On request of Assemblywoman Venicia Considine, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Char Frost and Chris Molnar.

On request of Assemblyman Reuben D'Silva, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Deme Gonzalez, Jonathon Jacobson, and Robb Smith.

On request of Assemblyman Rich DeLong, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Tony Grady, Ron Broady, and Carol Broady.

On request of Assemblywoman Jill Dickman, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Arnie Maurins, Linda Dickinson, and John Dickinson.

On request of Assemblywoman Bea Duran, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Terrance Hubert.

On request of Assemblywoman Danielle Gallant, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Leo Garcia and Brandon Mills.

On request of Assemblywoman Cecelia González, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Kenzie Keeton, Reagan Hampton, and Cara Mcanallen.

On request of Assemblywoman Michelle Gorelow, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Fred Wager, Gina Obiano-Julian, and Taylor Obiano-Julian.

On request of Assemblyman Ken Gray, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Leon Borden, Hannah Gray, and David Granish.

On request of Assemblyman Bert Gurr, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Sherlyn Fackrell and Hugh Ricci.

On request of Assemblyman Gregory Hafen, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Allene Bates and Aaron Manfredi.

On request of Assemblywoman Alexis Hansen, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Valerie Scheuering, Andy LePeilbet, and Valerie Scheuering-Hubbell.

On request of Assemblywoman Melissa Hardy, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Gloria Deyhle.

On request of Assemblyman Brian Hibbetts, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Margot Easley and Edward Goenne.

On request of Assemblywoman Sandra Jauregui, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Zoey Obedoza and Vadalisa Swanson.

On request of Assemblywoman Heidi Kasama, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Vikki Courtney.

On request of Assemblyman Gregory Koenig, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Don Mello and Curtis McLachlan.

On request of Assemblywoman Selena La Rue Hatch, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Scott Hooper.

On request of Assemblywoman Elaine Marzola, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to David Sousa, Dan Sanders and Gil Hernandez.

On request of Assemblyman Richard McArthur, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Ruth Kilmer, John Hansen, and Darrol Brown.

On request of Assemblywoman Brittney Miller, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Eduardo Martinez and Jonathan Ovando.

On request of Assemblywoman Daniele Monroe-Moreno, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Lynne Ballatore.

On request of Assemblywoman Sabra Newby, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Chris Franklin.

On request of Assemblyman Duy Nguyen, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Jillian Ocegueda.

On request of Assemblyman P.K. O'Neill, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Larry Etter, Robert Planeta, and Thomas Spencer.

On request of Assemblywoman Sarah Peters, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Candace Lopez.

On request of Assemblywoman Shondra Summers-Armstrong, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Kayla Eubanks and Charlotte Echler.

On request of Assemblywoman Angie Taylor, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Mason Kuennen and A'Laya Washington.

On request of Assemblywoman Clara Thomas, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Shirley Sousa and Ann Marie Holley.

On request of Assemblyman Howard Watts, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Teresa Thurtle and Daniel Wellsfry.

On request of Assemblyman Steve Yeager, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Samba Soumare, Aimy Vo, and Elisaveta Koeva.

On request of Assemblyman Toby Yurek, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Hal Keaton.

Assemblywoman Jauregui moved that the Assembly adjourn until Thursday, March 16, 2023, at 11:30 a.m.

Motion carried.

Assembly adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Approved:

STEVE YEAGER
Speaker of the Assembly

Attest: SUSAN FURLONG
Chief Clerk of the Assembly