## The Nevada State Legislature

(One-pager information and instructions)

Nevada has a bicameral Legislature, which means that it is made up of two houses, the Senate and the Assembly. The *Nevada Constitution* sets a maximum limit of legislators to a combined total of 75 for both houses. The number of Senators cannot be less than one-third or more than one-half the number of members of the Assembly. Since 1983, the Nevada Legislature has had a 21-member Senate and a 42-member Assembly.

To be eligible to serve as a member of the Assembly or as a Senator, you need to be at least 21 years of age, a citizen resident of Nevada for at least one year prior to the election, and a qualified elector in your respective county and district. However, the *Nevada Constitution* states that each house of the Legislature can "judge of the qualifications, elections and returns of its own members."

Members of the Assembly are elected every two years, and Senators serve a term of four years. Senators' terms are staggered in a way that one-half of the number of Senators are elected every two years. Legislators are limited to a term of twelve years in each house. This means that a legislator can serve in the one house for twelve years and then serve in the other for another twelve years.

The next page is divided into two sections, one for the Assembly and one for the Senate. In each section, include as much information about each house as you can. You can use the information above to include in your one-pager and you can include research from other sources. The site for the Nevada Legislature is a good source for research on both houses (https://www.leg.state.nv.us/).

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