

SENATE BILL NO. 469—COMMITTEE ON FINANCE  
(ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION)

MARCH 25, 2013

Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Transfers the State Dairy Commission from the Department of Business and Industry to the State Department of Agriculture. (BDR 51-1145)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.  
Effect on the State: Yes.

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

AN ACT relating to governmental administration; transferring the State Dairy Commission from the Department of Business and Industry to the State Department of Agriculture; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

- 1 Existing law creates the State Dairy Commission within the Department of
- 2 Business and Industry. (NRS 584.031) This bill transfers the Commission from the
- 3 Department of Business and Industry to the State Department of Agriculture.

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

- 1 **Section 1.** NRS 584.031 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 2 584.031 The State Dairy Commission, consisting of three
- 3 members, is hereby created within the *State* Department of
- 4 ~~Business and Industry.~~ *Agriculture.*
- 5 **Sec. 2.** NRS 584.043 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 6 584.043 1. The ~~Commission shall appoint an Executive~~
- 7 ~~Director, who shall serve ex officio as its Secretary.~~ *Director of the*
- 8 *State Department of Agriculture shall appoint a person as*
- 9 *Manager of Operations of the Commission.*
- 10 2. The *Manager of Operations serves ex officio as* Executive
- 11 Director ~~may appoint such assistants, deputies, agents, experts and~~



~~1 other employees as are necessary for the administration of the  
2 provisions of this chapter, prescribe their duties and fix their  
3 salaries.~~

~~4 —3. The Executive Director is in the unclassified service of the  
5 State. All assistants, deputies, agents, experts and other employees  
6 are in the classified service.~~

~~7 —4. The Executive Director may be removed by the  
8 Commission and Secretary of the Commission.~~

**Sec. 3.** NRS 584.049 is hereby amended to read as follows:

584.049 The *State Department of Agriculture, including the*  
Commission, is hereby declared to be the instrumentality of this  
state for the purpose of administering and enforcing the provisions  
of this chapter and to execute the legislative intent expressed in this  
chapter, and is hereby vested with the administrative authority  
described in this chapter.

**Sec. 4.** NRS 289.290 is hereby amended to read as follows:

289.290 1. A person designated by the Director of the State  
Department of Agriculture as a field agent or an inspector pursuant  
to subsection 2 of NRS 561.225 has the powers of a peace officer to  
make investigations and arrests and to execute warrants of search  
and seizure, and may temporarily stop a vehicle in the enforcement  
of the provisions of titles 49 and 50 of NRS and chapters 581, 582,  
583, **584**, 586, 587, 588 and 590 of NRS.

2. An officer appointed by the Nevada Junior Livestock Show  
Board pursuant to NRS 563.120 has the powers of a peace officer  
for the preservation of order and peace on the grounds and in the  
buildings and the approaches thereto of the livestock shows and  
exhibitions that the Board conducts.

3. In carrying out the provisions of chapter 565 of NRS, an  
inspector of the State Department of Agriculture has the powers of a  
peace officer to make investigations and arrests and to execute  
warrants of search and seizure.

**Sec. 5.** NRS 561.225 is hereby amended to read as follows:

561.225 1. The Director shall appoint such technical, clerical  
and operational staff as the execution of the Director's duties and  
the operation of the Department may require.

2. The Director may designate such department personnel as  
are required to be field agents and inspectors in the enforcement of  
the provisions of Titles 49 and 50 of NRS and chapters 581, 582,  
583, **584**, 586, 587, 588 and 590 of NRS. The provisions of this  
subsection do not authorize any department personnel so designated  
by the Director to retire from the Public Employees' Retirement  
System before having attained the minimum service retirement age  
of 60 years.



1       **Sec. 6.** NRS 561.285 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
2       561.285 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the  
3 Department may collect and disseminate, throughout the State,  
4 information calculated to educate and benefit the general public and  
5 the livestock and agricultural industries of the State of Nevada, and  
6 information pertaining to any program administered by the  
7 Department.  
8       2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 239.0115 and  
9 571.160, all proprietary information concerning:  
10       (a) Numbers of animals;  
11       (b) The quantity of production;  
12       (c) Fiscal or tax matters; or  
13       (d) The security of any facility,  
14       ↳ which specifically relates to a natural person, company,  
15 corporation or other nonpublic entity, and which is collected by the  
16 Department pursuant to the provisions of titles 49 and 50 of NRS  
17 and chapters 581, 582, 583, **584**, 586, 587, 588 and 590 of NRS, is  
18 confidential.  
19       **Sec. 7.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2013.

