

SENATE BILL NO. 308—SENATOR ROBERSON

MARCH 16, 2015

Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Provides funding for certain public works projects.
(BDR S-764)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: Contains Appropriation not included
in Executive Budget.

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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 public works; making an appropriation to the State Public Works Board to fund certain public works projects; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

- 1 **Section 1.** The Legislature hereby finds and declares that:
2 1. The recession in this State which began in 2007 has limited
3 the ability of the State to provide the necessary funding for the
4 repair and maintenance of the infrastructure of this State, including
5 many state-owned facilities, which are vital to the continued success
6 of this State;
7 2. The State Public Works Board continues to evaluate and
8 assess the needs of this State and prioritize the list of the most
9 critical public works projects that are in need of such funding;
10 3. For the preceding three biennial budget cycles, the amount
11 of money available for necessary public works projects relating to
12 the infrastructure of this State has been considerably less than the
13 amount needed to perform the needed maintenance, repairs or
14 upgrades;
15 4. As a result of several years of shortages in funding for such
16 public works projects, the amount necessary to complete such
17 projects continues to grow due to increases in the costs for



1 maintenance, repairs or upgrades to state-owned facilities due to the
2 aging, failure or disrepair of such facilities; and

3 5. If left unaddressed, the State may be forced to close, or
4 severely restrict the use of, many state-owned facilities until such
5 time as the necessary maintenance or repairs are performed, which
6 then increases the eventual cost of subsequent maintenance, repairs
7 or upgrades to such facilities.

8 **Sec. 2.** There is hereby appropriated from the State General
9 Fund to the State Public Works Board the sum of \$6,000,000 for
10 addressing critical infrastructure needs of the State.

11 **Sec. 3.** Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by
12 section 2 of this act must not be committed for expenditure after
13 June 30, 2019, by the entity to which the appropriation is made or
14 any entity to which money from the appropriation is granted or
15 otherwise transferred in any manner, and any portion of the
16 appropriated money remaining must not be spent for any purpose
17 after September 20, 2019, by either the entity to which the money
18 was appropriated or the entity to which the money was subsequently
19 granted or transferred, and must be reverted to the State General
20 Fund on or before September 20, 2019.

21 **Sec. 4.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

