ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 489–COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

(ON BEHALF OF THE OFFICE OF FINANCE IN THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR)

MARCH 27, 2017

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to the Revolving Account for Land Management. (BDR 26-907)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: Contains Appropriation not included in Executive Budget.

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to state land; revising provisions governing the Revolving Account for Land Management; making an appropriation; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law creates the Revolving Account for Land Management as a special account in the State General Fund. The State Land Registrar is required to use money in the Account to pay the expenses relating to the management of land held by the Division of State Lands of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, including expenses for appraisals and surveys, construction of fences and barriers for vehicles and the cleanup and maintenance of the land. (NRS 321.067) Section 1 of this bill expands the use of money in the Account to expenditures for: (1) activities to acquire land or an interest in land; (2) environmental assessments of the land, including surveys of the biological, environmental and cultural conditions and resources of the land; and (3) mitigation of the land.

Under existing law, the State Land Registrar is authorized to request an allocation from the Contingency Account in the State General Fund if the balance in the Revolving Account is below \$5,000. (NRS 321.067) **Section 1** raises that threshold amount to \$20,000.

Section 2 of this bill makes an appropriation of \$200,000 to the Revolving Account for Land Management.



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

- **Section 1.** NRS 321.067 is hereby amended to read as follows: 321.067 1. The Revolving Account for Land Management is hereby created as a special account in the State General Fund.
- 2. The State Land Registrar shall use the money in the *Revolving* Account to pay the expenses related to the management of land held by the Division [] and for activities to acquire land or an interest in land, including, without limitation, expenses for:
 - (a) Appraisals and *land* surveys;

- (b) Environmental assessments of the land, including, without limitation, surveys of the biological, environmental and cultural conditions and resources of the land;
 - (c) Construction of fences and barriers for vehicles; [and (e)] (d) The cleanup and maintenance of the land [.]; and
 - (e) Any mitigation required of the land.
 - 3. The State Land Registrar shall:
 - (a) Approve any disbursement from the Revolving Account; and
 - (b) Maintain records of any such disbursement.
 - 4. The State Land Registrar shall deposit into the Revolving Account money received by the Division as a donation or as a reimbursement for or advance payment of an expense paid out of the Revolving Account.
 - 5. The balance of the Revolving Account must be carried forward at the end of each fiscal year.
 - 6. If the balance in the [account] *Revolving Account* is below [\$5,000,] \$20,000, the State Land Registrar may request an allocation from the Contingency Account in the State General Fund pursuant to NRS 353.266, 353.268 and 353.269.
 - **Sec. 2.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State General Fund to the Revolving Account for Land Management created by NRS 321.067 the sum of \$200,000 to replenish the balance of the Account.
 - 2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by this section must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2019, 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 20, 2019, 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 20, 2019.





1 **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2017.





