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ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 98—ASSEMBLYMEN BUSTAMANTE ADAMS  
AND PAUL ANDERSON

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Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing the Office of Grant Procurement, Coordination and Management of the Department of Administration. (BDR 18-580)

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

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

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AN ACT relating to financial administration; revising provisions governing the employees of the Office of Grant Procurement, Coordination and Management of the Department of Administration; eliminating the requirement that priority be given by the Office to certain grants; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

1 Under existing law, the Office of Grant Procurement, Coordination and  
2 Management of the Department of Administration is required to provide assistance  
3 to state agencies with respect to grants, including, without limitation, researching,  
4 identifying and writing grants for state agencies and making state agencies aware of  
5 grant opportunities. (NRS 232.222-232.227) Existing law requires the  
6 Administrator of the Office of Grant Procurement, Coordination and Management  
7 to employ two persons to serve in the unclassified service of the State. (NRS  
8 232.223) **Section 1** of this bill removes the limit on the number of employees that  
9 the Administrator is required to employ and instead requires that the Administrator,  
10 within the limits of money appropriated or authorized to be expended for the  
11 purpose, employ such persons in the unclassified service as he or she deems  
12 necessary.

13 Existing law requires the Administrator, when researching the availability of  
14 grants and writing grant proposals and applications for a state agency, to give  
15 priority to grants: (1) for the Department of Health and Human Services; (2) for the  
16 Office of Energy; and (3) which may facilitate economic development in this State.  
17 **Section 2** of this bill eliminates this prioritization requirement.

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

1       **Section 1.** NRS 232.223 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2       232.223 1. The Administrator of the Office of Grant  
3 Procurement, Coordination and Management shall , *within the*  
4 *limits of money appropriated or authorized to be expended for this*  
5 *purpose*, employ ~~two~~ *such* persons *as he or she deems necessary*  
6 to serve in the unclassified service of the State for the purposes set  
7 forth in this section.

8       2. A person employed pursuant to this section shall, under the  
9 direction of the Administrator of the Office of Grant Procurement,  
10 Coordination and Management, assist the Administrator in carrying  
11 out the provisions of NRS 232.222 to 232.227, inclusive.

12       **Sec. 2.** NRS 232.224 is hereby amended to read as follows:

13       232.224 1. The Administrator of the Office of Grant  
14 Procurement, Coordination and Management shall:

15       (a) Research and identify federal grants which may be available  
16 to state agencies.

17       (b) Write grants for federal funds for state agencies.

18       (c) Coordinate with the members of Congress representing this  
19 State to combine efforts relating to identifying and managing  
20 available federal grants and related programs.

21       (d) If requested by a state agency, research the availability of  
22 grants and write grant proposals and applications for the state  
23 agency. ~~†, giving priority to grants:~~

24       ~~—— (1) For the Department of Health and Human Services;~~

25       ~~—— (2) For the Office of Energy; and~~

26       ~~—— (3) Which may facilitate economic development in this~~  
27 ~~State.†~~

28       (e) To the greatest extent practicable, ensure that state agencies  
29 are aware of any grant opportunities for which they are or may be  
30 eligible.

31       (f) If requested by the director of a state agency, advise the  
32 director and the state agency concerning the requirements for  
33 receiving and managing grants.

34       (g) To the greatest extent practicable, coordinate with state and  
35 local agencies that have received grants for similar projects to  
36 ensure that the efforts and services of those state and local agencies  
37 are not duplicated.

38       (h) Serve as a clearinghouse for disseminating information  
39 relating to unexpended grant money of state agencies by compiling  
40 and updating periodically a list of the grants and unexpended  
41 amounts thereof for which the Office received notification from  
42 state agencies pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 232.225 and making



1 the list available on the Internet website maintained by the  
2 Department.

3 (i) On or before January 1 of each odd-numbered year, submit to  
4 the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the  
5 Legislature a report regarding all activity relating to the application  
6 for, receipt of and use of grants in this State.

7 2. The Administrator may adopt regulations to carry out the  
8 provisions of this section and NRS 232.225 and 232.226.

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

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