

Senate

COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

Minutes of Meeting -- March 9, 1973

The 21st meeting of the Committee on Federal, State and Local Governments was held on the 9th day of March, 1973, at 11:30 A.M.

Committee members present: Chairman James Gibson
Chic Hecht
Lee Walker
John Foley
Stan Drakulich
Coe Swobe
Carl Dodge

Also present were:

John Meder, Carson City Supervisor
James Lien, Nevada Tax Commission
Oliver Bolton, Nevada Independent Insurance Agents
Dick Rottman, State Insurance Commission
Bob Warren, Nevada Municipal Association
Bill Adams, City of Las Vegas
Daisy Talvite, League of Women Voters
Joe Midmore, Builders Association
Press representatives

Chairman Gibson called the meeting to order. There were several bills before the committee for consideration.

AB-75 Prescribes contents of notice to insurance agents required of local governmental entity prior to purchase of insurance.

Mr. Rottman, State Insurance Commission, testified before the committee, recommending that the bill be adopted as presently amended. As it is now written it would not require the drawing up of specifications for various insurance coverages, nor the technical evaluation of these proposals as they come in by the governmental units. The old language in the bill would have complicated the situation substantially. The committee also heard from Mr. Warren, representing the Nevada Municipal Association, and Mr. Adams of the City of Las Vegas in support of this amendment.

Following discussion, Senator Drakulich moved "Do Pass," seconded by Senator Hecht. Motion carried.

SB-361 Permits certain cities to relocate human remains in certain cemeteries and to sell unused portions of certain cemeteries.

Senator Swobe stated that this bill had been requested by the City Council of Reno. They want to make a park out of one section of the cemetery, and in order to do this they will need this legislation.

Senator Dodge moved "Do Pass," seconded by Senator Walker. Motion carried.

SB-377 Disables person from serving three consecutive terms on state board of professional engineers.

Mr. Adams of the City of Las Vegas stated that the society of professional engineers has felt it advisable the members be allowed to serve only two terms. Senator Dodge voiced his objection to limiting the terms, noting that those people who are experienced can contribute a service.

Senator Drakulich moved to "Hold Indefinitely," seconded by Senator Swobe. Motion carried.

AB-81 Makes establishment of ground water boards discretionary.

Under this bill the state engineer, on the basis of the situation, can determine at his own discretion whether or not ground water boards should be established.

Senator Dodge moved "Do Pass," seconded by Senator Swobe. Motion carried.

AB-135 Allows county officers to spread county funds among banks located within county.

This allows the county officers to deposit the county funds in various banks in the county. The way the law presently reads, if the bank is located in the county seat, then the county funds are deposited there.

Senator Dodge moved "Do Pass," seconded by Senator Swobe. Motion carried.

AB-205 Requires local governing bodies to act on recommendations of auditors.

Mr. James Lien of the Nevada Tax Commission appeared before the committee to give testimony on AB-205. He explained that this

legislation defines what is required by a governing board as done by independent auditing firms. They have found in the local government advisory committee and the audits which the Tax Commission receives, that quite often the auditors make recommendations year after year which the governing board ignores, according to how they are reported out. The thrust of this bill is only to have the governing board record in its minutes what action they intend to take -- it does not require them to take positive action, but only that they record in their minutes whether they are going to reject it or accept it.

Senator Walker moved "Do Pass," seconded by Senator Foley. Motion carried.

SB-378 Increases compensation of directors of irrigation districts.

Following discussion, it was decided to wait for further information before taking action on this bill.

AB-249 Simplifies the forms required to be certified by election boards.

Chairman Gibson reminded the committee that they had heard testimony previously on this bill when they had a joint hearing with the election committee. Senator Foley moved "Do Pass," seconded by Senator Swobe. Motion carried.

AB-250 Makes the statement of result of votes cast at a polling place more explicit.

Following discussion Senator Dodge moved "Do Pass," seconded by Senator Swobe. Motion carried.

AB-252 Consolidates certain technical provisions in the election law.

Chairman Gibson explained the need for this legislation which would bring the reference into one section of the statutes. Senator Swobe moved, "Do Pass," seconded by Senator Walker. Motion carried.

AB-330 Allows county ordinances to apply to limited areas within county.

Mr. John Meder, Carson City Supervisor, explained the need for this legislation and spoke in support of passage. Senator Dodge moved "Do Pass," seconded by Senator Swobe. Motion carried.

AB-332 Changes procedure for making semimonthly payment of salaries to county officers and employees.

Mr. Meder requested that the committee wait for further information before taking any action on this bill.

AB-377 Facilitates procedure for public officers and employees planning official trips outside state.

Mr. Barrett asked this bill be passed as it simplifies the processing of trip warrants. Senator Dodge moved "Do Pass," seconded by Senator Swobe. Motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jean Fondi
Recording Secretary

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A. B. 75

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 75—COMMITTEE ON
GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

JANUARY 24, 1973

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Prescribes contents of notice to insurance agents required of local governmental entity prior to purchase of insurance. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 27-628)

EXPLANATION—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to local government purchasing; deleting requirement of NRS 332.140 for notice to insurance agents inviting proposals for new or continuation contracts of insurance.

The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. NRS 332.140 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 332.140 [1.] Contracts which by their nature are not adapted to
3 award by competitive bidding, such as contracts for items which may
4 only be purchased from a single source, contracts for additions to and
5 repairs and maintenance of equipment owned by the local government
6 which may be more efficiently added to, repaired or maintained by a
7 certain person, contracts for equipment which, by reason of the training
8 of the personnel of or an inventory of replacement parts maintained by
9 the local government is compatible with the existing equipment owned by
10 the local government, and contracts for any insurance shall not be sub-
11 ject to the competitive bidding requirements of this chapter.
12 [2. Except in cases of emergency, at least 60 days prior to the
13 expiration date of any existing contract for insurance in which the local
14 government is the insured or at least 60 days prior to the purchase of
15 initial contracts for insurance the governing body shall cause to be given,
16 by advertising or in another manner deemed adequate and desirable by
17 the governing body, notice to all insurance agents doing business in the
18 political subdivision or other entity inviting such agents to submit
19 written plans or proposals for consideration by the governing body for the
20 purchase of new or continuation contracts for insurance.]

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S. B. 361

SENATE BILL NO. 361—SENATOR SWOBE

MARCH 6, 1973

Referred to Committee on Federal, State and Local Governments

SUMMARY—Permits certain cities to relocate human remains in certain cemeteries and to sell unused portions of certain cemeteries. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR S-1282)



EXPLANATION—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to cemeteries; permitting certain cities to relocate human remains in certain cemeteries; enabling cities to sell unused portions of certain cemeteries under certain conditions; 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. NRS 451.070 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 451.070 The governing body of any incorporated city, having a pop-
3 ulation of 50,000 or more as determined by the last preceding national
4 census of the Bureau of the Census of the United States Department of
5 Commerce, may order the disinterment and removal of all human
6 remains interred in all or any part of any cemetery situated within its
7 limits, where the right of interment in such cemetery has been limited
8 by a city ordinance for a period of 35 years or more to the filling of plots
9 and lots therein containing human remains with additional human
10 remains until such plots and lots are filled and all spaces occupied, when-
11 ever the governing body, by ordinance, declares that the further mainte-
12 nance of all or any part of the cemetery as a burial place for the human
13 dead *is impracticable or* threatens or endangers the health, safety, com-
14 fort or welfare of the public. **[and demands the disinterment and removal**
15 **beyond the limits of the city of the human remains interred therein.]**

16 SEC. 2. NRS 451.090 is hereby amended to read as follows:
17 451.090 1. The cemetery authority of any cemetery from which
18 human remains are ordered removed by an ordinance adopted in accord-
19 ance with NRS 451.070 and 451.080 may declare its intention and pur-
20 pose to disinter and remove the remains in accordance with the ordinance,
21 and to reinter the remains in *another portion of the same cemetery or in*
22 *another cemetery or cemeteries outside the limits of the city, or to deposit*
23 *the removed remains in a memorial mausoleum or columbarium.*

S. B. 377

SENATE BILL NO. 377—SENATOR MONROE

MARCH 7, 1973

Referred to Committee on Federal, State and Local Governments

SUMMARY—Disables person from serving three consecutive terms on state board of professional engineers. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 54-1349)

EXPLANATION—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT to amend NRS 625.100, disabling a person from serving three consecutive terms on the state board of professional engineers.

The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. NRS 625.100 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 625.100 1. On or before June 1, 1935, the governor shall appoint
3 five persons, all of whom shall be engaged in the practice or teaching
4 of professional engineering in any of its branches except military engi-
5 neering, and who shall be citizens of the United States and residents of
6 the State of Nevada, who shall constitute the state board of registered pro-
7 fessional engineers. The members of the first board to be appointed shall
8 hold office, one for 1 year, one for 2 years, one for 3 years, and two for 4
9 years. On or after July 1, 1965, the governor shall appoint two additional
10 members, one of whom shall hold office for 2 years and one for 3 years.
11 Thereafter, each member shall be appointed for a term of 4 years.
12 2. All appointments made shall be from the current roster of regis-
13 tered professional engineers and land surveyors as issued by the board
14 and on file in the office of the secretary of state. Insofar as practicable,
15 membership on the board shall be distributed proportionately among the
16 recognized branches of the profession with at least one member being
17 also registered as a land surveyor.
18 3. *A board member who has served two consecutive full terms is not*
19 *eligible for reappointment to the board before the expiration of 4 years*
20 *after the end of his second term.*
21 4. Within 30 days after his appointment, a member shall take and
22 subscribe to the oath of office as prescribed by the laws of Nevada and
23 shall file the same with the secretary of state.
24 [4.] 5. Any vacancy occurring from any cause shall be filled by the
25 governor for the unexpired term.

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A. B. 81

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 81—COMMITTEE ON
GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

JANUARY 24, 1973

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Makes establishment of ground water boards discretionary.
Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 48-196)

EXPLANATION—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [] is
material to be omitted.

AN ACT to amend NRS 534.035, relating to ground water boards in certain counties, by making establishment and dissolution of ground water boards discretionary under certain circumstances by the state engineer; 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. NRS 534.035 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 534.035 1. In each area designated as a ground water basin by the
3 state engineer pursuant to the provisions of NRS 534.030, which area
4 is located entirely within one county, [and includes three or more incor-
5 porated cities,] a ground water board [shall] *may* be established as pro-
6 vided in this section. *The state engineer shall determine whether or not a*
7 *ground water board shall be established and may direct such establish-*
8 *ment by order.*
9 2. [The] *If a ground water board is established, the governing bodies*
10 *of all the incorporated cities within the designated area, the board of*
11 *county commissioners of the county in which the area is located, and the*
12 *governing body of any water district in which the area is included, or*
13 *partly included, shall each submit a list of names of residents of the area*
14 *to the governor, who shall appoint seven members of the board. At least*
15 *one member shall be appointed from each list.*
16 3. Of the first board appointed, two members shall be appointed for
17 terms of 2 years, two members for terms of 3 years, and three members
18 for terms of 4 years. Thereafter all members shall be recommended in the
19 same manner and appointed for terms of 4 years. Vacancies on the board
20 shall be filled by appointment by the governor for the unexpired terms
21 from the lists submitted. The board shall elect one member as chairman
22 and one member as secretary to serve as such at the pleasure of the
23 board.

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A. B. 135

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 135—MR. HAFEN

JANUARY 30, 1973

Referred to Committee on Commerce

SUMMARY—Allows county officers to spread county funds among banks located within county. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 31-528)



EXPLANATION—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to county funds; broadening provisions for their deposit in banks.

The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. NRS 356.120 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 356.120 With unanimous consent of his bondsmen, a county treas-
3 urer may:
4 1. [When a private or an incorporated bank is located at the county
5 seat,] *When one or more banks are located in the county,* deposit county
6 funds in such bank or banks upon open account.
7 2. When no such bank or banks exist [at the county seat,] *in the*
8 *county,* deposit county funds with any private or incorporated bank in
9 the State of Nevada.
10 SEC. 2. NRS 356.200 is hereby amended to read as follows:
11 356.200 1. With unanimous consent of their bondsmen, county offi-
12 cers, other than county treasurers, may deposit county funds received in
13 their respective offices in any bank located [at the county seat,] *in the*
14 *county.*
15 2. Whenever the written consent of any bondsman or bondsmen to
16 such deposit has not been obtained, such bondsman or bondsmen shall,
17 upon giving notice as required by law, be released from all responsibility
18 on the bond of such officer.
19 3. Such accounts shall be kept in the name of the county in such
20 manner as the board of county commissioners may prescribe.
21 4. The balances in such banks, as certified by the proper officer
22 thereof, and by oath of the county treasurer, may be counted as cash.
23 5. All moneys deposited in any depository bank by such county
24 officer may be drawn out by such officer on check payable only to the
25 county treasurer or his order, but every county assessor may also with-
26 draw money received in payment of motor vehicle license fees by check
27 payable to the department of motor vehicles, and may also withdraw

A. B. 205

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 205—COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT
AFFAIRS

FEBRUARY 2, 1973

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Requires local governing bodies to act on recommendations
of auditors. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 31-343)

EXPLANATION—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [] is
material to be omitted.

AN ACT to amend NRS 354.624, relating to audits; providing that local governing
bodies shall act on recommendations of auditors.

*The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly,
do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. NRS 354.624 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 354.624 1. Each local government shall provide for an annual audit
3 of all funds, accounts and separate bank accounts, established under NRS
4 354.603, of that local government, and may provide for more frequent
5 audits as it deems necessary. Each annual audit shall be concluded and
6 the audit report filed as provided in subsection 4 not later than 6 months
7 from the close of the fiscal year for which the audit is conducted. An
8 extension of this time may be granted by the Nevada tax commission to
9 any local government which makes application for such extension. If the
10 local government fails to provide for an audit in accordance with the pro-
11 visions of this section, the Nevada tax commission shall cause such audit
12 to be made at the expense of the local government. All audits shall be
13 made by a public accountant certified or registered or by a partnership
14 registered under the provisions of chapter 628 of NRS.
15 2. The governing body may, without requiring competitive bids,
16 designate such accountant or firm annually. The accountant or firm shall
17 be designated not later than 3 months prior to the close of the fiscal year
18 for which the audit is to be made.
19 3. Each annual audit shall cover the business of the local government
20 during the full fiscal year. It shall be a comprehensive audit of the affairs
21 of the local government, including comment on the balance sheets
22 accounts, results of operations, compliance with statutes and regulations,
23 recommendations for improvements, and any other comments deemed
24 pertinent by the auditor, and including his expression of opinion as to the

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S. B. 378

SENATE BILL NO. 378—SENATOR DODGE

MARCH 7, 1973

Referred to Committee on Federal, State and Local Governments

SUMMARY—Increases compensation of directors of irrigation districts.
Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 48-1412)

EXPLANATION—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT increasing the compensation of directors of irrigation districts.

*The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly,
do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. NRS 539.080 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 539.080 1. The members of the board of directors shall each receive
3 not more than ~~[\$25]~~ \$50 per day and actual traveling expenses for each
4 day spent attending meetings of the board or while engaged in official
5 business under the order of the board.
6 2. The board shall fix the compensation to be paid to the other offi-
7 cers named in this chapter; but the board shall, upon the petition of a
8 majority of the electors within the district, submit to the electors at any
9 general election of the district a schedule of salaries and fees to be paid
10 the directors and officers thereof. Such petition shall be presented to the
11 board 20 days prior to such general election and a schedule of salaries
12 and fees submitted upon a two-thirds vote therefor shall be put into effect
13 upon the first of the month next ensuing.

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A. B. 249

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 249—COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS

FEBRUARY 9, 1973

Referred to Committee on Elections

SUMMARY—Simplifies the forms required to be certified by election boards.
Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 24-907)

EXPLANATION—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT to amend NRS 293A.475, simplifying the forms required to be certified by election boards.

The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. NRS 293A.475 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 293A.475 **[The]** *If the directions and certificates mentioned in this*
3 *section are not provided on separate forms for the precinct or district elec-*
4 *tion board, the statement of result of votes cast shall also contain:*
5 1. Printed directions to the election officials for their guidance before
6 the polls are opened and when the polls are closed.
7 2. A certificate which shall be signed by the election officials before
8 the polls are opened, showing:
9 (a) The delivery of the keys in a sealed envelope.
10 (b) The number on the seal.
11 (c) The number registered on the protective counter.
12 (d) Whether all of the counters are set at zero (000).
13 (e) Whether the public counter is set at zero (000).
14 (f) Whether the ballot labels are properly placed in the machine.
15 3. A certificate which shall be filled out after polls have been closed,
16 showing:
17 (a) That the machine has been locked against voting and sealed.
18 (b) **[The]** numbers of voters as shown on the public counter.
19 (c) **[The]** number on the seal.
20 **[(d)]** (c) The number registered on the protective counter.
21 **[(e)]** (d) That the voting machine is closed and locked.

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A. B. 250

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 250—COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS

FEBRUARY 9, 1973

Referred to Committee on Elections

SUMMARY—Makes the statement of result of votes cast at a polling place more explicit. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 24-908)

EXPLANATION—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT to amend NRS 293A.470, relating to voting machines; making the statement of result of votes cast at a polling place more explicit.

The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. NRS 293A.470 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 293A.470 The statement of result of votes cast, which shall be certi-
3 fied by the election board, shall show *the number of the machine, the pre-*
4 *inct or district, the polling place,* the total number of [votes] ballots cast
5 and the number of votes cast for each candidate and measure as shown on
6 each counter.

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A. B. 252

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 252—COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS

FEBRUARY 9, 1973

Referred to Committee on Elections

SUMMARY—Consolidates certain technical provisions in the election law.
Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 24-912)



EXPLANATION—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [] is
material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to elections; consolidating certain technical provisions in the law.

*The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly,
do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. NRS 293A.355 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 293A.355 *1.* An election board shall not serve in any election at
3 which a voting machine is used unless they have received instruction and
4 are fully qualified to perform their duties in connection with the machine.
5 2. *The provisions of NRS 293A.290 to 293A.415, inclusive, shall not*
6 *prevent the appointment and service of an election board to fill a vacancy,*
7 *in an emergency.*
8 SEC. 2. NRS 293A.370 is hereby repealed.

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ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 330—MR. HOWARD

FEBRUARY 19, 1973

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Allows county ordinances to apply to limited areas within county. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 20-987)

EXPLANATION—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT to amend NRS 244.357, relating to county ordinances, by allowing county ordinances to apply to limited areas within a county; 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. NRS 244.357 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 244.357 1. Each board of county commissioners may enact and
3 enforce such local police and sanitary ordinances and regulations as are
4 not in conflict with the general laws and regulations of the State of
5 Nevada, but may not enact any ordinance or regulation fixing a speed
6 limit on any United States highway or any highway or road which is con-
7 structed, reconstructed, improved or maintained by the department of
8 highways as provided in chapter 408 of NRS.
9 2. *Such police and sanitary ordinances and regulations may be*
10 *enacted to apply throughout an entire county or, where the subject matter*
11 *makes it appropriate and reasonable, may be enacted to govern only a*
12 *limited area within the county which shall be specified in the ordinance.*
13 3. Each board of county commissioners may enact and enforce a
14 vagrancy ordinance which conforms to the provisions of NRS 207.030.

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A. B. 332

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 332—MR. GETTO

FEBRUARY 19, 1973

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Changes procedure for making semimonthly payment of salaries to county officers and employees. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 20-983)

EXPLANATION—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT to amend NRS 245.050, relating to county officers and employees, by eliminating requirement as to time for making semimonthly payments of salary.

The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. NRS 245.050 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 245.050 All county officers and regular and temporary employees
3 of the counties shall be paid their salaries as fixed by law, ordinance or
4 resolution in two equal semimonthly payments. The first semimonthly
5 payment for each month shall be for the first half of that particular
6 month, and the second semimonthly payment shall be for the last half
7 of the month. [; but the first half of the monthly salary shall not be paid
8 before the 15th day of that month and the second half thereof before the
9 last day of that month.]

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A. B. 377

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 377—COMMITTEE ON
GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

FEBRUARY 22, 1973

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Facilitates procedure for public officers and employees planning
official trips outside state. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 23-706)

EXPLANATION—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [] is
material to be omitted.

AN ACT to amend NRS 281.160, relating to allowances for public officers and
employees, by removing the requirement that travel requests be submitted to
the budget division 10 days before commencing official travel outside the state.

*The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly,
do enact as follows:*

- 1 SECTION 1. NRS 281.160 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 281.160 1. Except as otherwise provided by law, when any district
3 judge, state officer, commissioner, representative of the state, or other
4 state employee of any office, department, board, commission, bureau,
5 agency or institution operating by authority of law, and supported in
6 whole or in part by any public funds, whether the public funds are funds
7 received from the Federal Government of the United States or any
8 branch or agency thereof, or from private or any other sources, [shall
9 be] *is* entitled to receive his expenses in the transaction of public business
10 outside the municipality or other area in which his principal office is
11 located, such person shall be paid up to \$20 for each 24-hour period
12 during which he is away from such office and within the state, and up
13 to \$25 for each 24-hour period during which he is outside the state.
14 2. Such person may receive expenses for a period of less than 24
15 hours in accordance with regulations of the state board of examiners.
16 3. Any person enumerated in subsection 1 may receive an allowance
17 for transportation pursuant to public business, whether within or without
18 the municipality or other area in which his principal office is located.
19 Transportation shall be by the most economical means, considering total
20 cost, time spent in transit and the availability of state-owned automobiles
21 and special use vehicles. The allowance for travel by private conveyance
22 is 12 cents per mile so traveled, except that if a private conveyance is
23 used for reasons of personal convenience in transaction of state business,
24 the allowance for travel is 7½ cents per mile so traveled.