

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m.

Senator Floyd R. Lamb was in the Chair.

PRESENT:	Senator Floyd R. Lamb, Chairman Senator James I. Gibson Senator Mahlon Brown Senator William J. Raggio Senator Clifton Young Senator Warren L. Monroe Senator Lee E. Walker
OTHERS:	Howard Barrett, Budget Director Ron Sparks, Fiscal Analyst Cy Ryan, UPI

SB 330

Mr. Howard Barrett testified that the actuarial cost of this program is \$2,009,700. It is proposed that this be funded from surplus, thereby eliminating future on-going operating costs for the program.

After short discussion, Senator Lamb asked that we hang on to the bill until we see where we are as far as money is concerned as this was a bill which should have a lower priority. The measure was thus held until a later date by Committee agreement.

AB 228 (See Attached bill)

Senator Monroe - "Do Kill" Motion died for lack of a second.

Senator Walker - Do Pass Senator Gibson - 2nd Senators Raggio, Monroe, Lamb - "NO" Senator Young - Absent

There being a tie, Senator Lamb then reluctantly changed his vote to Yea, and the motion carried 4 to 2.

AB 379 (See Attached bill)

Senator Monroe - Do Pass Senator Raggio - 2nd Motion Carried. Senator Young - Absent

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AB 377 (See attached bill)

Mr. Barrett stated that this measure covered all cities and towns within the State except Reno.

> Senator Raggio - Do Pass Senator Younr - 2nd Motion Carried.

SB 195 (See attached bill)

Senator Gibson - Hold in Committee Senator Brown - 2nd Motion Carried.

SB 367 (See attached bill)

Senator Gibson - Hold in Committee Senator Monroe - 2nd Motion carried

SB 189 (See attached bill)

Senators Lamb and Raggio stated that this measure would give a Commission the authority to negotiate and get the job done. Senator Gibson stated that he felt they needed more outside input. Senator Brown agreed that they must get some input from private business sector.

Senator Young stated that there should be some study for common nomenclature. Senator Raggio remarked that we need a subjective study comparing salaries by those with expertise, and some mechanism is needed to keep the salaries in focus.

Senator Lamb suggested that the appropriation be made to the Legislative Commission for this study; they could hire the right people who could give us some concrete evidence. Senator Young stated that any study would be of little value if the salary studies are not kept updated. He also asked how we could be sure that the Legislative Commission would follow through.

The Committee suggested that this could be done by spelling out specific guidelines and giving them the authority to appoint a bi-partisan committee with enough money to contract for an adequate study.

Senator Raggio suggested that a bill be drawn up along the lines that had been discussed. Senator Lamb appointed Senators Young and Raggio along with himself to see that this was done.

> Senator Brown - Hold in committee until new bill has been drafted. Senator Raggio - 2nd Motion Carried.

SB 305 (See attached bill) Page Three

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Senator Young stated that he was having difficulties with Page Two (lines 38 thru 42). He felt that they should have a percentile increase on each year between 10 and 20 years of service. Senator Raggio suggested that they should at least be consistent with public employees.

The Committee determined that with no change in the minimum and maximum amount that after 12 years there would be a 4.1666 percent increase per year until 20 years.

Following other changes in Page one and two:

Senator Gibson - "Amend and Do Pass" Senator Monroe - 2nd Motion Carried.

SB 306 (See attached bill)

Senator Gibson - Hold in Committee Senator Brown - 2nd Motion Carried Senators Lamb, Brown, Gibson & Monroe - AYE Senators Young, Raggio & Walker - NAY

SB 360 (See attached bill)

Senator Monroe - "Do Kill" Motion died for lack of a second.

Senator Young said that the bill is permissive and that the counties would not have to use this assistance unless they wished to. There were some counties which needed this help.

> Senator Walker - Dp Pass Senator Gibson - 2nd Motion Carried. Senators Walker, Gibson, Raggio & Young - AYE Senators Brown, Monroe & Lamb - NAY

SB 368 (See attached bill)

Senator Young - Amend that the appropriation would be matching funds & "BO PASS" Senator Raggio - 2nd Motion Carried.

ITEMS WITHIN THE EXECUTIVE BUDGET WERE THEN ACTED UPON AS FOLLOWS:

EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION

Senator Lamb stated that unclassified would be heard later.

Senator Brown - Approve Governor's recommendation. Senator Young - 2nd Motion Carried.

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VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

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Senator Monroe - Approve Governor's recommendation Senator Walker - 2nd Motion Carried.

## AUTOMOBILE DRIVER EDUCATION FUND

Senator Raggio - Approve Governor's recommendation. Senator Monroe - 2nd Motion Carried.

SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

Senator Brown - Approve the Governor's recommendation Senator Young - 2nd Motion Carried.

ADULT BASIC EDUCATION

Senator Raggio - Approve Governor's recommendation Senator Brown - 2nd Motion Carried.

CARE OF DEAF AND BLIND

The Committee held this for further information.

HIGHER EDUCATION STUDENT LOAN FUND

Senator Raggio - Approve Governor's recommendation Senator Walker - 2nd Motion Carried.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

Senator Raggio - Approve Governor's recommendation Senator Young - 2nd Motion Carried. Senators Gibson, Walker, Raggio, Young, Brown - AYE Senators Lamb & Monroe - NAY

NATIONAL DEFENSE EDUCATION ACT

Senator Young - Approve Governor's recommendation Senator Raggio - 2nd Motion Carried with all voting aye except Senator Monroe voting NAY

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NEVADA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Senator Brown - Approve Governor's recommendation Senator Raggio - 2nd Motion carried with all voting aye except Senator Lamb voting NAY

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

**RESPECIFULLY SUBMITTED:** MOLLY M. TORVIK, ACTING SECRETARY

APPROVED BY:

FLOYD R. LAMB, CHAIRMAN

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#### (REPRINTED WITH ADOPTED AMENDMENTS) A. B. 228 FIRST REPRINT

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 228-ASSEMBLYMEN BENNETT, CHANEY, BARENGO, BREMNER, VERGIELS, ROBINSON, MURPHY, HICKEY, PRICE, SENA, BROOKMAN, HARMON, HEANEY, SCHOFIELD, MANN, MAY, JEFFREY, COULTER, DREYER, DINI, POLISH, FORD, DEMERS, BANNER AND CHRISTENSEN

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## **FEBRUARY 7, 1975**

## Referred to Concurrent Committees on Health and Welfare and Ways and Means

SUMMARY-Makes appropriation to office of economic opportunity to finance new program to increase professional capabilities of young Nevadans. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR S-859)

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

AN ACT making an appropriation to the office of economic opportunity for a career opportunities program and requiring periodic reports of its progress.

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

1 SECTION 1. 1. There is hereby appropriated from the general fund 2 in the state treasury to the office of economic opportunity the sum of 3 \$268,100 for the purpose of conducting a new program to provide career 4 opportunities, formal education and counseling for young Nevadans 5 between the ages of 17 and 26 in an effort to increase the professional 6 capabilities of such persons and to reduce their potential social depend-7 ence.

8 2. Beginning on October 1, 1975, the office of economic opportunity 9 shall submit a monthly report covering the activities of the career oppor-10 tunities program to the members of the interim finance committee, in 11 such format and containing such information as the committee shall 12 determine. In addition, the director of the office of economic opportunity 13 or his designee shall appear before the committee, when requested, to 14 report upon the program.

SEC. 2. After June 30, 1977, any unexpended balance of the appro-15 16 priation made by section 1 shall not be encumbered or committed for 17 expenditure and shall revert to the general fund in the state treasury. 18

SEC. 3. This act shall become effective upon passage and approval.

# A. B. 379

## ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 379—ASSEMBLYMEN DINI, MELLO, SENA, ROBINSON, DREYER, WITTENBERG, GLOVER, HOWARD, WEISE, GETTO, BREMNER, BARENGO, BROOK– MAN, PRICE, MURPHY AND MANN

## March 7, 1975

## Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

SUMMARY—Makes appropriation to bureau of alcohol and drug abuse of rehabilitation division of department of human resources for purpose of continuing training and development of curricula for drug abuse prevention program in Nevada public schools. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR S-1208)

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

AN ACT making an appropriation to the bureau of alcohol and drug abuse of the rehabilitation division of the department of human resources for the purpose of continuing the training of educators and development of curricula for drug abuse prevention program in Nevada public schools.

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

1 SECTION 1. There is hereby appropriated from the general fund in 2 the state treasury to the bureau of alcohol and drug abuse of the reha-3 bilitation division of the department of human resources the sum of 4 \$250,000 for the purpose of continuing the training of educators and the 5 development of curricula in the area of drug abuse so that an effective 6 program of drug abuse prevention may be conducted in Nevada public 7 schools.

SEC. 2. After June 30, 1977, the unexpended balance of the appropriation made in section 1 shall not be encumbered or committed for expenditure and shall revert to the general fund in the state treasury.
SEC. 3. This act shall become effective upon passage and approval.

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## ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 377—COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

March 7, 1975

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

SUMMARY-Increases maximum allowances for subsistence and travel expenses of state officers and employees. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 23-1190)

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

AN ACT relating to state officers and employees; increasing the maximum allowances for subsistence and travel expenses.

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

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SECTION 1. NRS 281.160 is hereby amended to read as follows: 281.160 1. Except as otherwise provided by law, when any district judge, state officer, commissioner, representative of the state, or other 3 state employee of any office, department, board, commission, bureau, 4 agency or institution operating by authority of law, and supported in 5 whole or in part by any public funds, whether the public funds are funds 6 received from the Federal Government of the United States or any branch 7 or agency thereof, or from private or any other sources, is entitled to 8 receive his expenses in the transaction of public business outside the 9 municipality or other area in which his principal office is located, such 10 person shall be paid up to [\$25] \$28 for each 24-hour period during 11 12 which he is away from such office and within the state, and up to \$15 in 13 addition to a reasonable room rate 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

17 3. Any person enumerated in subsection 1 may receive an allowance 18 for transportation pursuant to public business, whether within or without 19 the municipality or other area in which his principal office is located. Transportation shall be by the most economical means, considering total 20 cost, time spent in transit and the availability of state-owned automobiles 21 22 and special use vehicles. The allowance for travel by private conveyance is 23 [14] 17 cents per mile so traveled, except that if a private conveyance is 24 used for reasons of personal convenience in transaction of state business, 25 the allowance for travel is [8] 10 cents per mile so traveled.

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## S. B. 195

## SENATE BILL NO. 195—SENATORS RAGGIO, CLOSE, WALKER, BRYAN AND SHEERIN

## FEBRUARY 14, 1975

## Referred to Committee on Finance

#### SUMMARY--Extends state group insurance programs to include dental coverage. Fiscal Note: Yes. (BDR 23-808)

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

AN ACT relating to group insurance; extending state group insurance programs to include dental coverage; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

SECTION 1. NRS 287.043 is hereby amended to read as follows:

287.043 The committee on group insurance shall:

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3 1. Act as an advisory body on matters relating to group life, accident
4 or health insurance, or any combination thereof, for the benefit of all
5 such state officers and employees.

6 2. Negotiate and contract with the governing body of any public 7 agency enumerated in NRS 287.010 which is desirous of obtaining group 8 insurance for its officers and employees by participation in the state group 9 insurance program.

10 3. Purchase policies of life, accident, [or] health or dental insurance, or any combination thereof, from any insurance company qualified 12 to do business in this state for the benefit of all eligible state officers and 13 employees who elect to participate in the state's group insurance program.

14 4. Adopt such regulations and perform such other duties as may be 15 necessary to carry out the provisions of NRS 287.041 to 287.049, 16 inclusive.

SEC. 2. NRS 287.044 is hereby amended to read as follows:

18 287.044 1. [A part of the] *The* cost of the monthly premiums of 19 such group insurance, not to exceed [\$21.49 for the fiscal period begin-20 ning January 1, 1973, and ending June 30, 1974, or \$23.64 for the 21 fiscal year 1974–1975,] \$30.64, applied to [both] group life, [and] 22 group accident or health coverage [,] and group dental coverage, for 23 each state or other participating officer or employee electing to participate

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## S. B. 367

## SENATE BILL NO. 367—SENATORS SHEERIN, BRYAN, HERR AND NEAL

## March 24, 1975

#### Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Provides for addition of disability insurance to state group insurance program without cost to state officers or employees. Fiscal Note: Yes. (BDR 23-823)

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

AN ACT relating to the state group insurance program; providing for the addition of disability insurance at no cost to state officers or employees; limiting benefits and premiums; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

SECTION 1. NRS 287.043 is hereby amended to read as follows:

287.043 The committee on group insurance shall:

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3 1. Act as an advisory body on matters relating to group life, accident
4 [or health insurance,], health or disability insurance, or any combination
5 thereof, for the benefit of all such state officers and employees.

2. Negotiate and contract with the governing body of any public agency enumerated in NRS 287.010 which is desirous of obtaining group insurance for its officers and employees by participation in the state group insurance program.

10 Purchase policies of life, accident [or health insurance,], health 3. or disability insurance, or any combination thereof, from any insurance 11 12 company qualified to do business in this state for the benefit of all eligible 13 state officers and employees who elect to participate in the state's group 14 insurance program. Any disability insurance purchased shall provide minimum benefits of two-thirds of an employee's salary for on-the-job or 15 16 off-the-job injuries or illnesses, and maximum aggregate benefits under the 17 group insurance program and chapters 616 and 617 of NRS shall not 18 exceed three-fourths of an employee's salary. Disability insurance pre-19 miums shall be paid by the various state departments and agencies, and 20 the amount thereof shall not exceed 1 percent of salary.

4. Adopt such regulations and perform such other duties as may be
necessary to carry out the provisions of NRS 287.041 to 287.049, inclusive.

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## (REPRINTED WITH ADOPTED AMENDMENTS) FIRST REPRINT S. B. 189

## SENATE BILL NO. 189—SENATORS BRYAN, CLOSE, HILBRECHT, GOJACK AND ECHOLS

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## FEBRUARY 13, 1975

## Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Creates a citizens' state government compensation commission to study salaries, wages and reimbursable expenses of employees of state government. Fiscal Note: Yes. (BDR S-753)

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

AN ACT creating a citizens' state government compensation commission to study the salaries, wages and reimbursable expenses of certain employees of state government: requiring the commission to report to the governor; making an appropriation; 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. A citizens' state government compensation commission 2 is hereby created. The commission shall be nonpartisan in nature and 3 shall be composed of 17 private citizens. The governor shall appoint the 4 members and shall designate one of their number as chairman.

SEC. 2. The commission shall conduct a comprehensive study of the salaries, wages and reimbursable expenses of all elected positions in the executive, legislative and judicial branches of state government.

8 SEC. 3. The committee may request and shall be furnished staff assist-9 ance from the executive agencies and the legislative counsel bureau to 10 assist the commission in the study and preparation of its report.

11 SEC. 4. The members of the commission shall serve without pay but 12 are entitled to the travel expenses and subsistence allowances provided by 13 law.

SEC. 5. The committee shall, following the conclusion of its study,
prepare a report stating its findings and making suitable recommendations. The report shall be submitted to the governor by September 1,
17 1976.

18 SEC. 6. There is hereby appropriated from the general fund in the 19 state treasury the sum of \$10,200 to the director of the department of 20 administration for the use of the committee in carrying out the provisions 21 of this act. (REPRINTED WITH ADOPTED AMENDMENTS) FIRST REPRINT

S. B. 305

## SENATE BILL NO. 305-COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

## MARCH 6, 1975

## Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Changes basis and adopts graduated scale for determining the amounts of judicial pensions. Fiscal Note: Yes. (BDR 1-914)

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

AN ACT relating to pensions of justices of supreme court and district court judges; adopting a graduated scale for determining the amount of such pensions; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

SECTION 1. NRS 2.060 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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2.060 1. Any justice of the supreme court who has served as a justice or judge of a district court in any one or more of those courts for a period or periods aggregating 20 years and has ended such service shall, after such service of 20 years, and after reaching the age of 60 years, be entitled to and shall receive annually from the State of Nevada, as a pension during the remainder of his life, a sum of money equal in amount to two-thirds the sum received as salary for his judicial services during the last year thereof, payable every 2 weeks from funds to be provided by direct legislative appropriation.

11 Any justice of the supreme court who has served as a justice or 12 judge of a district court in any one or more of those courts for a period or periods aggregating 12 years and has ended such service shall, after 13 14 such service of 12 years, and after reaching the age of 60 years, be entitled 15 to and shall receive annually from the State of Nevada, as a pension dur-16 ing the remainder of his life, a sum of money equal in amount to one-third 17 the sum received as salary for his judicial services during the last year 18 thereof, payable every 2 weeks from funds to be provided by direct 19 legislative appropriation.

3. Any justice of the supreme court who qualifies for a pension under
the provisions of subsection 2 is entitled to receive, for each year served
beyond 12 years up to a maximum of 20 years, an additional 4.1666
percent of the sum received as salary for his judicial services during the
last year thereof, payable as provided in subsection 2.

25 4. Any justice who desires to resign pursuant to the terms hereof 26 shall do so by notice in writing to the governor, and shall file forthwith 27 with the state controller and the state treasurer an affidavit setting forth

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**S. B. 306** 

## SENATE BILL NO. 306-COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

## MARCH 6, 1975

#### Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Provides for disability retirement of supreme court justices and district judges. Fiscal Note: Yes. (BDR 1-935)

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

AN ACT relating to disability retirement of supreme court justices and district judges; providing for such retirement and procedures therefor; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 2 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section which shall read as follows:

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6 7 1. Any justice of the supreme court who has served as a justice or judge of a district court in any one or more of those courts for a period or periods aggregating 4 years or more and who becomes permanently incapacitated, physically or mentally, to perform the duties of his office may retire from office regardless of age.

8 2. Any justice who retires pursuant to the provisions of subsection 1 shall receive annually from the State of Nevada, as a pension during the 9 10 remainder of his life, the same pension he would receive under NRS 11 2.060 based on his years of service, but without regard to his age, except 12 that if he has served 4 years or more, but less than the minimum number 13 of years which would qualify him to receive a pension under NRS 2.060, 14 he shall receive an amount equal to the minimum pension payable under 15 NRS 2.060.

16 3. Any justice, or his guardian on his behalf if he is unable to act, 17 who desires a retirement under this section shall give notice in writing to the governor. The governor shall appoint three physicians licensed to 18 practice medicine in the State of Nevada to examine the justice and report 19 20 the results to the governor in writing. If a majority of the physicians is of the opinion that the justice is permanently incapacitated, physically or 21 22 mentally, the governor shall accept the retirement. The justice or his guardian shall file with the state controller and state treasurer an affidavit 23 24 setting forth the fact of his retirement and the years he has served in either 25 or both of such courts.

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## SENATE BILL NO. 360-SENATOR YOUNG

## March 20, 1975

## Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Transfers subdivision review assistance functions to state land use planning agency and makes an appropriation. Fiscal Note: Yes. (BDR 26-697)

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

AN ACT relating to the state land use planning agency; transferring subdivision review assistance functions from the state public works board; making an appropriation; 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. Chapter 321 of NRS is hereby amended by adding 2 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 8, inclusive, of this act. 3 SEC. 2. The provisions of sections 2 to 8, inclusive, of this act apply 4 to counties having a population of less than 100,000, as determined by 5 the last preceding national census of the Bureau of the Census of the 6 United States Department of Commerce.

7 SEC. 3. Upon the filing of a tentative map with the local planning commission, or with the clerk of the county or city governing body if 8 there is no planning commission, the planning commission or the gov-9 10 erning body may submit such map to the state land use planning agency for an evaluation, as provided by sections 2 to 8, inclusive, of this act. 11 SEC. 4. 1. The state land use planning agency shall be the clearing-12 house for requests from governing bodies of cities and counties or from 13 planning commissions. 14

15 2. Upon receipt of a request for evaluation of a tentative map, the
16 state land use planning agency shall direct the appropriate state depart17 ments or agencies to review and comment upon the proposed subdivision.
18 3. As soon as possible, but no longer than 30 days from the receipt of
19 a request from a governing body or a planning commission, the state land

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use planning agency shall transmit the comments and recommendations of the various state departments and agencies to the planning commission or to the governing body.

23 SEC. 5. The state departments and agencies shall be guided by the 24 provisions of chapter 278 of NRS in their review of the tentative maps 25 presented to them by the state land use planning agency.

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## SENATE BILL NO. 368—SENATOR DODGE

### MARCH 24, 1975

## Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY-Makes appropriation to Storey County Bicentennial Committee for restoration of Fourth Ward School in Virginia City. Fiscal Note: Yes. (BDR S-1362)

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

AN ACT making an appropriation from the state general fund to the Storey County Bicentennial Committee for the purpose of renovating, preserving and restor-ing the Fourth Ward School in Virginia City; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

WHEREAS, Interested citizens of Storey County have caused a report 1 2 to be made concerning the condition of the Fourth Ward School in Vir-3 ginia City, which report indicates a number of severe deficiencies and 4 necessary repairs and makes recommendations for the needed stabiliza-5 tion for the structure and major repairs; and

6 WHEREAS, Public use of the Fourth Ward School in the future requires 7 that substantial measures be taken to conform to building code standards; 8 and

9 WHEREAS, The Fourth Ward School should be preserved as an impor-10 tant piece of Nevada's heritage; now, therefore, 11

12 The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, 13 do enact as follows: 14

15 SECTION 1. 1. There is hereby appropriated from the general fund in 16 the state treasury to the Storey County Bicentennial Committee the sum of \$30,000 to be expended only for the renovation, preservation and 17 18 restoration of the Fourth Ward School in Virginia City, Nevada.

19 2. The moneys appropriated in subsection 1 may be allocated as 20 matching funds from public and private sources are received for such 21 purpose. 22

SEC. 2. This act shall become effective upon passage and approval.

