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Testimony of the Nevada Association of Counties On Senate Bill 146

Senate Government Affairs Committee Wednesday, March 5, 2003

Purpose of SB 146

SB 146 clarifies Section 1, Subsection (M) to allow counties and other units of government to purchase off national contracts within and outside of Nevada.

History

The legislature first amended Section 1, Subsection (L), now (M) in 1997, at the request of NACO, to include "another governmental agency in the regular course of its business." Since that amendment there have been conflicting opinions as to the ability of counties to purchase off contracts bid by other government entities. To resolve this inconsistency in the application of the law, NACO worked with Legislative Counsel to clarify the language added in 1997 by bringing the amendment for addition to NRS 332.115.

Action Requested

NACO urges the prompt passage of AB 146. We are available to answer your questions.

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AMENDMENT TO ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 66 (NACO)

- Sec. 2. Except as otherwise provided in section 3 of this act, each county shall commence payment of the increased annual salaries of the elected officers of the county set forth in the table of annual salaries contained in NRS 245.043, as amended by section 1 of this act, on July 1, 2003.
- Sec. 3. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, a board of county commissioners may apply to the Committee on Local Government Finance for a waiver from the requirement to increase the annual salaries of elected officers of the county to the annual salaries set forth in the table contained in NRS 245.043, as amended by section 1 of this act, if the board determines that the financial resources of the county are insufficient to pay those increased annual salaries in fiscal year 2003-2004. The Committee on Local Government Finance shall grant such a waiver if it finds that the financial resources of the county are insufficient to pay those increased annual salaries in fiscal year 2003-2004.
- 2. A board of county commissioners that has been granted a waiver for a fiscal year may apply to the Committee on Local Government Finance for an additional waiver for the next consecutive fiscal year if it finds that the financial resources of the county continue to be insufficient to pay the increased annual salaries of the elected officers of the county set forth in the table contained in NRS 245.043, as amended by section 1 of this act. There is no limitation on the number of waivers for consecutive fiscal years that the board of county commissioners may be granted if the board of county commissioners finds that the financial resources of the county continue to be insufficient to pay the increased annual salaries of the elected officers of the county set forth in the table contained in NRS 245.043, as amended by section 1 of this act, in that fiscal year.
- 3. After commencing payment of the increased annual salaries of the elected officers of the county set forth in the table contained in NRS 245.043, as amended by section 1 of this act, a board of county commissioners may not apply for a waiver in any subsequent fiscal year.
- 4. The increased annual salaries of the elected officers of the county set forth in the table contained in NRS 245.043, as amended by section 1 of this act, must not be paid retroactively for a period to which a waiver granted pursuant to subsection 1 is applicable.
- Sec. 4. The provisions of subsection 1 of NRS 354.599 do not apply to any additional expenses of a local government that are related to the provisions of this act.
 - Sec. 5. This act becomes effective upon July 1, 2003.