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ON

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As part of its work session, the Senate Committee on Legislative Affairs and Operations will consider the following measure:

SENATE BILL 56 (SENATORS COFFIN, CARE, CARLTON AND NEAL)

This bill requires the Legislature to adjourn sine die each regular session not later than midnight of the 120th calendar day of session. It is effective on passage and approval and would apply to the 2003 Regular Session.

Proposed Amendments

After considerable discussion between the sponsor and members of the committee, Senator Coffin agreed to develop a resolution to amend the joint rules in place of this statutory change.

(ws 4-8-03, sb 56)



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As part of its work session, the Senate Committee on Legislative Affairs and Operations will consider the following measure:

SENATE BILL 216

(SENATE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS AND OPERATIONS ON BEHALF OF STUDY
OF TAHOE REGIONAL PLANNING COMPACT - A.C.R. 5)

This bill creates a permanent statutory committee of the Legislature to review the Tahoe Regional Planning Compact and oversee the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency, Marlette Lake Water System, Colorado River Commission, Southern Nevada Water Authority and other federal, state, interregional and interstate governmental entities within the State of Nevada.

Proposed Amendments

In addition to a recommendation to approve the bill as submitted, several possible amendments were discussed, including:

1. Delete from the bill provisions relating to the Colorado River Commission and the Southern Nevada Water Authority.
2. Remove from the bill provisions relating to the continued oversight of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and Compact, and address Tahoe oversight through a separate concurrent resolution. Further, it was recommended that a Tahoe oversight committee continue to conduct four meetings each interim in the Tahoe Basin focusing on Tahoe issues.
3. Remove from the bill provisions relating to the Marlette Lake water system, and continue the existence of the current Marlette advisory committee. Another recommendation was to address Marlette issues through a Tahoe oversight committee.

Background Information - The Marlette Lake Water System Advisory Committee, made up of three legislators, four Executive Branch administrators, and one representative of the Legislative Counsel Bureau, is a permanent statutory committee that has been in existence 1963. At the conclusion of its "sunset review" of seven statutory committees during the 2001-2002 interim, the

Legislative Commission recommended that the Marlette committee be eliminated and its functions assumed by a Lake Tahoe oversight committee. Assembly Bill 164 of the 72nd Session would repeal section 331.165 of *Nevada Revised Statutes*, which provides for the Marlette advisory committee. The bill was heard in the Assembly Committee on Government Affairs on February 28, 2003. To date, that committee has not taken action on the bill.

(ws 4-8-03, sb216)

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SENATE BILL 361

(SENATOR TITUS, JOINTLY SPONSORED BY ASSEMBLYWOMAN BUCKLEY)

This bill requires full public disclosure of the name of each Legislator who requests the preparation of a legislative measure on the list of requests prepared by the Legislative Counsel.

Proposed Amendments

Although no amendments were suggested at the hearing, Senator Raggio advised the committee that he was considering an amendment for subsequent discussion by the committee.

(ws 4-8-03, sb361)