
ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 39—COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(ON BEHALF OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION (NRS 218.660))

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Directs Legislative Counsel to resolve nonsubstantive conflicts between legislative acts and to give effect to multiple amendments to sections of Nevada Revised Statutes. (BDR 17-1023)

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.

AN ACT relating to the revision of statutes; directing the Legislative Counsel to resolve all nonsubstantive conflicts between legislative acts and give effect to multiple amendments to a single section of the Nevada Revised Statutes; 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 220.120 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 220.120 1. In preparing the annotations and keeping Nevada
3 Revised Statutes current, the Legislative Counsel is authorized:
4 (a) To adopt such system of numbering as he deems practical.
5 (b) To cause the revision to be published in a number of
6 volumes deemed convenient.
7 (c) To cause the volumes to be bound in loose-leaf binders of
8 good, and so far as possible, permanent quality.
9 2. The pages of Nevada Revised Statutes must conform in size
10 and printing style to the pages of the Statutes of Nevada, and roman
11 style type must be used.



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1 3. The Legislative Counsel shall classify and arrange the entire
2 body of statute laws in logical order throughout the volumes, the
3 arrangement to be such as will enable subjects of a kindred nature to
4 be placed under one general head, with necessary cross references.

5 4. Notes of decisions of the Supreme Court, historical
6 references and other material must be printed and arranged in such
7 manner as the Legislative Counsel finds will promote the usefulness
8 thereof.

9 5. The Legislative Counsel in keeping Nevada Revised Statutes
10 current shall not alter the sense, meaning or effect of any legislative
11 act, but may renumber sections and parts of sections thereof, change
12 the wording of headnotes, rearrange sections, change reference
13 numbers or words to agree with renumbered chapters or sections,
14 substitute the word "chapter" for "article" and the like, substitute
15 figures for written words and vice versa, change capitalization for
16 the purpose of uniformity and correct manifest clerical or
17 typographical errors.

18 6. The Legislative Counsel may create new titles, chapters and
19 sections of Nevada Revised Statutes, or otherwise revise the title,
20 chapter and sectional organization of Nevada Revised Statutes, all
21 as may be required from time to time, to effectuate the orderly and
22 logical arrangement of the statutes. Any new titles, chapters,
23 sections and organizational revisions have the same force and effect
24 as the 58 titles originally enacted and designated as the Nevada
25 Revised Statutes pursuant to chapter 2, Statutes of Nevada 1957.

26 7. The Legislative Counsel shall assign NRS numbers to such
27 new permanent and general laws enacted at any legislative session.

28 *8. The Legislative Counsel shall resolve all nonsubstantive*
29 *conflicts between multiple laws enacted at any legislative session*
30 *as if made by a single enactment. If multiple amendments to a*
31 *single section of NRS are made during a legislative session, such*
32 *amendments are all effective and must be compiled in a manner*
33 *that is consistent with the intent of the Legislature as determined*
34 *by the Legislative Counsel.*

35 **Sec. 2.** NRS 220.170 is hereby amended to read as follows:

36 220.170 1. The master copy of Nevada Revised Statutes, as
37 printed and bound in accordance with NRS 220.130, must contain a
38 certificate of the Director of the Statute Revision Commission that
39 he has compared each section thereof with the original section of the
40 enrolled bill by which Nevada Revised Statutes was adopted and
41 enacted, and that the sections in the published edition are correctly
42 copied. All other printed and bound copies of Nevada Revised
43 Statutes must contain a copy of the certificate.

44 2. Each set of replacement or supplementary pages, prepared in
45 accordance with NRS 220.160 and published before January 1,



1 1963, for inclusion in the master copy of Nevada Revised Statutes,
2 must be accompanied by a certificate of the Director of the Statute
3 Revision Commission, and each set published after January 1, 1963,
4 by a certificate of the Legislative Counsel, that he has compared
5 each section thereof with the original section of the enrolled bill,
6 and that, with the exception of the changes authorized by law, the
7 sections set forth in the replacement or supplementary pages are
8 correctly copied. All other sets of replacement or supplementary
9 pages must be accompanied by a copy of the certificate. All such
10 certificates must be inserted in the bound copies of Nevada Revised
11 Statutes in chronological order immediately following the initial
12 certificate of the Director.

13 3. Copies of Nevada Revised Statutes, as printed, published,
14 revised, supplemented and certified in accordance with this chapter,
15 constitute the official codified version of Statutes of Nevada and
16 may be cited as prima facie evidence of the law in all of the courts
17 of this state. ~~That~~ *Except as otherwise provided in this subsection,*
18 *that* evidence may be rebutted by proof that the statutes cited differ
19 from the official Statutes of Nevada. *That evidence may not be*
20 *rebutted by proof that the statutes differ from the official Statutes*
21 *of Nevada in a manner authorized pursuant to NRS 220.120.*

22 4. Nevada Revised Statutes and its component parts may be
23 cited as follows:

- 24 (a) Nevada Revised Statutes: NRS
- 25 (b) A title: title 00 of NRS
- 26 (c) A chapter: chapter 000 of NRS
- 27 (d) A section: NRS 000.000

28 **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

