ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 405–ASSEMBLYMEN HARDY, KNECHT, ANDONOV, GRADY, BROWN, BEERS, CHRISTENSEN, COLLINS, CONKLIN, GEDDES, GIBBONS, GOICOECHEA, GRIFFIN, GUSTAVSON, HETTRICK, KOIVISTO, MABEY, MCCLAIN, MCCLEARY, OCEGUERA, PIERCE AND WEBER

MARCH 17, 2003

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing financial support of veterans' cemeteries. (BDR 37-1184)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State: No.

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

AN ACT relating to veterans' cemeteries; revising the provisions governing financial support for the veterans' cemeteries; authorizing the employment of personnel to operate the cemeteries from money in the Account for Veterans' Affairs that was not provided by appropriation; 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 417.220 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 417.220 1. The Account for Veterans' Affairs is hereby
 created in the State General Fund.
- 4 2. Money received by the Executive Director or the Deputy 5 Executive Director from:
 - (a) Fees charged pursuant to NRS 417.210;

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- 7 (b) Allowances for burial from the Department of Veterans
 8 Affairs [;] or other money provided by the Federal Government for
 9 the support of veterans' cemeteries;
- 10 (c) Receipts from the sale of gifts and general merchandise; 11 [and]



1 (d) Grants obtained by the Executive Director or the Deputy 2 Executive Director for the support of veterans' cemeteries; and

3 (e) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6 and NRS 4 417.145 and 417.147, gifts of money and proceeds derived from the 5 sale of gifts of personal *that* property he is authorized to accept, if 6 the use of such gifts has not been restricted by the donor,

7 must be deposited with the State Treasurer for credit to the Account
8 for Veterans' Affairs and must be accounted for separately for a
9 veterans' cemetery in northern Nevada or a veterans' cemetery in
10 southern Nevada, whichever is appropriate.

11 3. The interest and income earned on the money deposited 12 pursuant to subsection 2, after deducting any applicable charges, 13 must be accounted for separately. Interest and income must not be 14 computed on:

(a) Money appropriated from the State General Fund to theAccount for Veterans' Affairs.

17 (b) Fees charged pursuant to NRS 417.110 that are deposited in 18 the Account for Veterans' Affairs.

19 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, the money 20 deposited pursuant to subsection 2 may only be used for the 21 operation and maintenance of the cemetery for which the money 22 was collected. In addition to personnel he is authorized to employ 23 pursuant to NRS 417.200, the Executive Director may use money 24 deposited pursuant to subsection 2 to employ such personnel as 25 are necessary for the operation and maintenance of the cemeteries. Persons hired pursuant to this subsection are 26 27 employees of the State but must not be paid with money 28 appropriated from the State General Fund.

5. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, gifts of
personal property which the Executive Director or the Deputy
Executive Director is authorized to receive but which are not
appropriate for conversion to money may be used in kind.

33 6. The Gift Account for Veterans' Cemeteries is hereby created in the State General Fund. The Executive Director or the Deputy 34 35 Executive Director shall use gifts of money or personal property that 36 he is authorized to accept and **for** which the donor has restricted to one or more uses at a veterans' cemetery [,] only in the manner 37 38 designated by the donor. Gifts of money that the Executive Director 39 or the Deputy Executive Director is authorized to accept and for 40 which the donor has restricted to one or more uses at a veterans' 41 cemetery must be accounted for separately in the Gift Account for 42 Veterans' Cemeteries. The interest and income earned on the money 43 deposited pursuant to this subsection must, after deducting any 44 applicable charges, be accounted for separately for a veterans' 45 cemetery in northern Nevada or a veterans' cemetery in southern



Nevada, as applicable. Any money remaining in the Gift Account for Veterans' Cemeteries at the end of each fiscal year does not revert to the State General Fund, but must be carried over into the

next fiscal year. Sec. 2. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2003.

