ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 84-COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

(ON BEHALF OF ASSEMBLYWOMAN GIUNCHIGLIANI)

FEBRUARY 13, 2003

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Revises provisions concerning certain town advisory boards. (BDR 21-119)

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 county government; removing the prohibition on consecutive terms of office of members of a town advisory board in certain counties; providing for the election of a chairman of such a board; prohibiting consecutive terms of office for a person who serves as chairman of such a board; revising the requirements regarding the notice of a vacancy on such a board; requiring the provision of notice of the expiration of the term of a member of such a board; 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 269.576 is hereby amended to read as follows: 269.576 1. Except as appointment may be deferred pursuant to NRS 269.563, the board of county commissioners of any county whose population is 400,000 or more shall, in each ordinance which establishes an unincorporated town pursuant to NRS 269.500 to 269.625, inclusive, provide for:

(a) Appointment by the board of county commissioners or the election by the registered voters of the unincorporated town of three or five qualified electors who are residents of the unincorporated town to serve as the town advisory board. If the ordinance provides



for appointment by the board of county commissioners, in making such appointments, the board of county commissioners shall consider:

- (1) The results of any poll conducted by the town advisory board; and
- (2) Any application submitted to the board of county commissioners by persons who desire to be appointed to the town advisory board in response to an announcement made by the town advisory board.
- (b) A term of 4 years for members of the town advisory board, which must be staggered and must expire on the first Monday in January of an odd-numbered year. [No person who has served for a term as a member of a town advisory board is eligible for reappointment until 2 years after the expiration of his term.]
- (c) Election of a chairman from among the members of the town advisory board for a term of 2 years, and, if a vacancy occurs in the chairmanship, for the election of a chairman from among the members for the remainder of the unexpired term. The ordinance must also provide that a chairman is not eligible to succeed himself for a term of office as chairman.
- (d) Removal of a member of the town advisory board if the board of county commissioners finds that his removal is in the best interest of the residents of the unincorporated town, and for appointment of a member to serve the unexpired term of the member so removed.
- 2. The board of county commissioners shall provide notice of *the expiration of the term of a member of and* any vacancy on a town advisory board to the residents of the unincorporated town by mail, newsletter or newspaper at least [90] 30 days before *the expiration of the term or* filling the vacancy.
 - 3. The duties of the town advisory board are to:
- (a) Assist the board of county commissioners in governing the unincorporated town by acting as liaison between the residents of the town and the board of county commissioners; and
- (b) Advise the board of county commissioners on matters of importance to the unincorporated town and its residents.
- 4. The board of county commissioners may provide by ordinance for compensation for the members of the town advisory board.
- **Sec. 2.** 1. For the purposes of paragraph (c) of subsection 1 of NRS 269.576, as amended by section 1 of this act, any person who is serving in the capacity of a chairman on a town advisory board on October 1, 2003, is not eligible to serve a consecutive term of office as chairman.



2. If the provisions of an ordinance adopted before October 1, 2003, that establishes an unincorporated town pursuant to NRS 269.500 to 269.625, inclusive, do not comply with NRS 269.576, as amended by section 1 of this act, that ordinance must be amended on or before January 1, 2004, to comply with section 1 of this act.



