

**SENATE BILL NO. 187—COMMITTEE ON  
HUMAN RESOURCES AND EDUCATION**

**(ON BEHALF OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON  
PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES)**

**MARCH 15, 2005**

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Referred to Committee on Human Resources and Education

**SUMMARY**—Revises provisions relating to payment of per diem and travel expenses for members of Advisory Committee on Traumatic Brain Injuries. (BDR 38-686)

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

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

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**AN ACT** relating to persons with disabilities; authorizing the members of the Advisory Committee on Traumatic Brain Injuries to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state employees generally in certain circumstances; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

- 1      Existing law creates the Advisory Committee on Traumatic Brain Injuries.  
2      (NRS 426A.060) Members of the Committee serve without compensation and are  
3      not entitled to receive the per diem allowance or travel expenses provided for state  
4      officers and employees generally, unless the per diem allowance or travel expenses  
5      are paid from a source other than the State and the payment is not inconsistent with  
6      any condition attached to the acceptance of the money. (NRS 426A.060)  
7      This bill entitles members of the Committee engaged in the business of the  
8      Committee to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state  
9      officers and employees generally to the extent that these expenses are included in  
10     the budget of the Department of Human Resources.
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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN  
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1       **Section 1.** NRS 426A.060 is hereby amended to read as  
2 follows:

3       426A.060 1. The Advisory Committee on Traumatic Brain  
4 Injuries, consisting of 11 members, is hereby created.

5       2. The Director of the Department shall appoint to the  
6 Committee:

7           (a) One member who is an employee of the Office.

8           (b) One member who is an employee of the Division of Health  
9 Care Financing and Policy of the Department and participates in the  
10 administration of the state program providing Medicaid.

11          (c) One member who is a licensed insurer in this State.

12          (d) One member who represents the interests of educators in this  
13 State.

14          (e) One member who is a person professionally qualified in the  
15 field of psychiatric mental health.

16          (f) Two members who are employees of private providers of  
17 rehabilitative health care located in this State.

18          (g) One member who represents persons who operate  
19 community-based programs for head injuries in this State.

20          (h) One member who represents hospitals in this State.

21          (i) Two members who represent the recipients of health care in  
22 this State.

23       3. After the initial appointments, each member of the  
24 Committee serves a term of 3 years.

25       4. The Committee shall elect one of its members to serve as  
26 Chairman.

27       5. Members of the Committee [serve]:

28           (a) Serve without compensation ; and

29           (b) *If provided for in the budget of the Department, while*  
30 *engaged in the business of the Committee, are [not] entitled to*  
31 *receive the per diem allowance [or] and travel expenses provided*  
32 *for state officers and employees generally . [, except that members*  
33 *of the Committee may receive any per diem allowance and travel*  
34 *expenses that may be authorized by the Committee if the payment of*  
35 *the per diem allowance and travel expenses:]*

36       —(a) Is made from money received by the Committee from a  
37 source other than the State of Nevada; and

38       —(b) Is not inconsistent with any condition attached to the  
39 acceptance of that money.]



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1       6. The Committee may:

2       (a) Make recommendations to the Director of the Department  
3 and the Office relating to the establishment and operation of any  
4 program for persons with traumatic brain injuries.

5       (b) Make recommendations to the Director of the Department  
6 and the Office concerning proposed legislation relating to traumatic  
7 brain injuries.

8       (c) Collect information relating to traumatic brain injuries.

9       (d) Apply for grants.

10     (e) Accept and expend any money made available to the  
11 Committee by gift, grant, donation or bequest.

12     7. The Committee shall prepare a report of its activities and  
13 recommendations each year and submit a copy to the:

14       (a) Director of the Department;

15       (b) Office;

16       (c) Legislative Committee on Health Care; and

17       (d) Legislative Commission.

18     8. As used in this section:

19       (a) "Person professionally qualified in the field of psychiatric  
20 mental health" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 433.209.

21       (b) "Provider of health care" has the meaning ascribed to it in  
22 NRS 629.031.

23     **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2005.

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