

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4—Committee  
on Legislative Operations and Elections

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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Providing direction regarding certain legislative measures following the resignation of certain former Legislators.

WHEREAS, Several former Legislators resigned from their legislative offices during this legislative session and before the date of passage of this resolution; and

WHEREAS, Those resignations require each House, in the manner set forth in this resolution, to adjust the rules of its proceedings pursuant to Section 6 of Article 4 of the Nevada Constitution and concurrently provide direction to the members and officers of the Senate and Assembly regarding certain legislative measures; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the Joint Standing Rules of the Senate and the Assembly set forth in Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 1 of this legislative session certain deadlines for the introduction of bill draft requests were established; and

WHEREAS, Because of certain internal organizational issues, certain bill draft requests must be delivered outside those deadlines; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the legislative purposes and objectives of this resolution are to address institutional issues relating to the internal organization, affairs and management of the Legislature that have arisen regarding particular legislative measures because of the resignations of former Legislators who resigned from their legislative offices during this legislative session and before the date of passage of this resolution and because of other internal organizational issues; and be it further

RESOLVED, That as a result of the resignations of the former Legislators and other internal organizational issues, the Secretary of the Senate, the Chief Clerk of the Assembly and the Legislative Counsel:

1. Are directed, empowered and authorized to take all necessary and proper actions to assist the Senate and Assembly in carrying out and accomplishing the legislative purposes and objectives of this resolution; and
2. Shall take such actions as soon as practicable regarding the particular legislative measures subject to this resolution, notwithstanding any other provisions which are in effect on the date



of passage of this resolution and which would otherwise govern the particular legislative measures subject to this resolution; and be it further

RESOLVED, That if, before resigning, the former Legislator, whether individually or in any other official legislative capacity, timely submitted to the Legislative Counsel any authorized requests for the drafting of legislative measures that, on the date of passage of this resolution, would have been eligible to be introduced under the Joint Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly:

1. The Majority Leader of the Senate or the Speaker of the Assembly, as appropriate for the House of the former Legislator, may allocate or reallocate some or all of the former requests of the former Legislator to other Legislators or standing committees of the House of the former Legislator by providing the Legislative Counsel with written notice of each allocation or reallocation of those requests. The written notice must be:

(a) Executed on a form provided by the Legislative Counsel that is signed by the Majority Leader of the Senate or the Speaker of the Assembly, as appropriate; and

(b) Provided to the Legislative Counsel on or before the 47th calendar day of this legislative session, unless otherwise provided pursuant to Joint Standing Rule No. 14.5 or 14.6.

2. Upon receipt of such notice, the Legislative Counsel shall prepare and process the requests as if they had been timely submitted by the former Legislators or standing committees to which they are allocated or reallocated and, as soon as practicable, make appropriate revisions to the list of requests prepared pursuant to NRS 218D.130. After each allocation or reallocation of the requests to the Legislators or standing committees, the provisions of the Joint Standing Rules apply to the requests, except that:

(a) The requests must not be counted by the Legislative Counsel for the purposes of any limitations on the number of legislative measures that may be requested by those Legislators or standing committees; and

(b) The last day for introduction of the requests as bills or resolutions in the Senate or Assembly, as appropriate, is the 54th calendar day of this legislative session, unless otherwise provided pursuant to Joint Standing Rule No. 14.5 or 14.6; and be it further

RESOLVED, That if the former Legislator is the only sponsor from the former Legislator's House whose name is set forth on the face of any bill or resolution introduced in that House for its first time during this legislative session and not passed by the Legislature on the date of passage of this resolution, no further action on the bill



or resolution is allowed, unless one or more Legislators of the former Legislator's House have submitted to the Secretary of the Senate or the Chief Clerk of the Assembly, as appropriate, a statement signed by the Majority Leader of the Senate or the Speaker of the Assembly, as appropriate, approving a request for the name of each such Legislator to be added as a primary sponsor or cosponsor and to be set forth on the face of the bill or resolution in the place of the name of the former Legislator. In such case, the Legislative Counsel shall, as soon as practicable, prepare appropriate replacement copies of the bill or resolution with:

1. The name of the former Legislator removed from the face of the bill or resolution; and

2. The name of each Legislator added as a primary sponsor or cosponsor set forth on the face of the bill or resolution; and be it further

RESOLVED, That if, along with the names of other Legislators, the former Legislator is a primary sponsor, cosponsor or joint sponsor whose name is set forth on the face of any bill or resolution introduced in either House for its first time during this legislative session and not passed by the Legislature on the date of passage of this resolution, the Legislative Counsel shall, as soon as practicable, prepare appropriate replacement copies of the bill or resolution with:

1. The name of the former Legislator removed from the face of the bill or resolution; and

2. The names of the other Legislators appropriately reordered or reorganized and set forth on the face of the bill or resolution; and be it further

RESOLVED, That any request for the drafting of a legislative measure that was timely submitted to the Legislative Counsel and which is delivered to the requester outside any deadline established in the Joint Standing Rules may be introduced and shall be accepted by each House for introduction if introduced on or before the date stamped on the front of the measure; and be it further

RESOLVED, That if there are any conflicts between the provisions of this resolution and any other provisions which are in effect on the date of passage of this resolution and which would otherwise govern the particular legislative measures subject to this resolution, the provisions of this resolution control; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution does not apply to:

1. Any bill or resolution passed by the Legislature during the 79th Legislative Session and returned to the Legislature during this legislative session pursuant to the Nevada Constitution and any laws or rules enacted or adopted pursuant thereto; or



2. Any bill or resolution passed by the Legislature during this legislative session and enrolled before the date of passage of this resolution; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution shall be entered upon the Journal of the Senate and the Journal of the Assembly; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution becomes effective upon passage.

