

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
OF THE  
ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES**

**Eighty-Second Session  
May 24, 2023**

The Committee on Natural Resources was called to order by Chair Lesley E. Cohen at 4:24 p.m. on Wednesday, May 24, 2023, in Room 3143 of the Legislative Building, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada. The meeting was videoconferenced to Room 4401 of the Grant Sawyer State Office Building, 555 East Washington Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada, and to Room 130, Greenhaw Technical Arts Building, Great Basin College, 1500 College Parkway, Elko, Nevada. Copies of the minutes, including the Agenda [[Exhibit A](#)], the Attendance Roster [[Exhibit B](#)], and other substantive exhibits, are available and on file in the Research Library of the Legislative Counsel Bureau and on the Nevada Legislature's website at [www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/82nd2023](http://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/82nd2023).

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Assemblywoman Lesley E. Cohen, Chair  
Assemblywoman Natha C. Anderson, Vice Chair  
Assemblywoman Shannon Bilbray-Axelrod  
Assemblywoman Tracy Brown-May  
Assemblywoman Venicia Considine  
Assemblyman Rich DeLong  
Assemblywoman Bea Duran  
Assemblyman Bert Gurr  
Assemblywoman Alexis Hansen  
Assemblywoman Selena La Rue Hatch  
Assemblyman Howard Watts  
Assemblyman Toby Yurek

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

**GUEST LEGISLATORS PRESENT:**

None



**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Becky Peratt, Committee Policy Analyst  
Erin Sturdivant, Committee Legal Counsel  
Nancy Davis, Committee Secretary  
Cheryl Williams, Committee Assistant

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

None

**Chair Cohen:**

[Roll was called. Rules and protocol of the Committee were reviewed.] We do have a work session today and then we will take public comment. I will open our work session with Senate Bill 159 (1st Reprint).

**Senate Bill 159 (1st Reprint): Revises provisions relating to pest control. (BDR 49-608)**

**Becky Peratt, Committee Policy Analyst:**

Senate Bill 159 (1st Reprint) requires the Director of the State Department of Agriculture to adopt regulations which authorize a person to train as an applicator and to engage in pest control activities for a period of not less than 90 days without holding a license as an applicator [[Exhibit C](#)]. The regulations must allow an applicator trainee to apply general-use pesticides under the direct supervision of a licensed applicator and restricted-use pesticides under the immediate supervision of a licensed applicator. The bill also provides that a person in violation of the provisions governing an applicator trainee is subject to criminal penalties and fines. There are no amendments for this measure.

**Chair Cohen:**

Are there any questions? Seeing none, I will take a motion to do pass.

ASSEMBLYMAN DELONG MOVED TO DO PASS SENATE BILL 159 (1ST REPRINT).

ASSEMBLYMAN GURR SECONDED THE MOTION.

Are there any comments on the motion? Seeing none, we will vote.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

I will take the floor statement. That will bring our work session to a close. I will open public comment. Is there anyone in Carson City, Las Vegas, or Elko wishing to provide public comment? Seeing no one, is there anyone on the phone? Hearing no one, we are adjourned [at 4:27 p.m.].

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

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Nancy Davis  
Committee Secretary

APPROVED BY:

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Assemblywoman Lesley E. Cohen, Chair

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

## **EXHIBITS**

[Exhibit A](#) is the Agenda.

[Exhibit B](#) is the Attendance Roster.

[Exhibit C](#) is the Work Session Document for Senate Bill 159 (1st Reprint), submitted and presented by Becky Peratt, Committee Policy Analyst, Research Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau.