MINUTES OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Eighty-second Session June 4, 2023

The Senate Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections was called to order by Chair James Ohrenschall at 9:07 p.m. on Sunday, June 4, 2023, in Room 2149 of the Legislative Building, Carson City, Nevada. Exhibit A is the Agenda. Exhibit B is the Attendance Roster. All exhibits are available and on file in the Research Library of the Legislative Counsel Bureau.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator James Ohrenschall, Chair Senator Skip Daly, Vice Chair Senator Nicole J. Cannizzaro Senator Lisa Krasner

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator Seevers Gansert (Excused)

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Nicolas Anthony, Policy Analyst Jeff Koelemay, Counsel Kevin Powers, General Counsel Barbara Young, Committee Secretary

CHAIR OHRENSCHALL:

We are honored to have in our presence this evening David Ziegler on behalf of the Honorable Steve Yeager, Speaker of the Nevada Assembly, and Cole Ring accompanying his new mother, the Honorable Nicole Cannizzaro, Majority Leader of the Nevada Senate.

We have a work session document ($\underbrace{\text{Exhibit C}}$) from Policy Analyst Nicolas Anthony on <u>Assembly Bill (A.B.) 243</u>. Legislative Counsel Kevin Powers will walk through the proposed amendment to <u>A.B. 243</u>.

ASSEMBLY BILL 243 (1st Reprint): Revises provisions relating to legislative affairs. (BDR 17-366)

KEVIN POWERS (General Counsel):

Proposed Amendment 3788, <u>Exhibit C</u>, to A.B. 243 addresses some of the things we talked about in the Committee hearings. The only change is found in Section 1, subsection 1, paragraph (g) where the Sunset Committee of the Legislature now can request five bill draft requests. Any of the provisions dealing with limiting termed-out members from being chairs or vice chairs during their last Interim is eliminated.

Language relating to the operations of the joint interim standing committees was changed in sections 8 and 9. The language that said an alternate member "to the extent practicable be of the same political party" was altered to remove "to the extent practicable." An alternate member who attends a meeting must be of the same political party as the regular member he or she is replacing.

In section 10, we go back to the original setup for the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Health and Human Services and members will review issues relating to child welfare. The Joint Committee on Judiciary will still review issues relating to juvenile justice, and now the Joint Committee on Government Affairs will deal with issues relating to governmental purchasing. The next group of sections removes all the references to the term limit provisions in the bill.

The next major change is on page 14 of Proposed Amendment 3788. Another thing the bill changes is the name of the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources to Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources and Public Lands. It was changed throughout the bill.

Page 14 requires the Joint Committee on Natural Resources and Public Lands during each interim to have at least three meetings in the rural counties. It also authorizes the meetings in the rural county can have satellite locations in the three main counties, Carson City, Washoe and Clark. The primary physical location must be in the rural counties, but there can be videoconference or teleconference links to Washoe, Clark and Carson City Counties.

CHAIR OHRENSCHALL:

I would take a motion to amend and do pass <u>A.B. 243</u> with Proposed Amendment 3788 in the work session document, <u>Exhibit C</u>.

SENATOR DALY MOVED TO AMEND AND DO PASS AS AMENDED A.B. 243.

SENATOR CANNIZZARO SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION CARRIED. (SENATOR KRASNER VOTED NO).

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CHAIR OHRENSCHALL: We are adjourned at 9:11 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Barbara Young, Committee Secretary

APPROVED BY:

Senator James Ohrenschall, Chair

DATE:_____

EXHIBIT SUMMARY				
Bill	Exhibit Letter	Introduced on Minute Report Page No.	Witness / Entity	Description
	А	1		Agenda
	В	1		Attendance Roster
A.B. 243	С	1	Senator James Ohrenschall	Work Session Document