
ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 256—ASSEMBLYMEMBERS LA RUE HATCH,
GONZÁLEZ, ROTH, MOORE, ANDERSON; BROWN-MAY,
CONSIDINE, FLANAGAN, GOULDING, HUNT, JACKSON,
NGUYEN AND ORENTLICHER

FEBRUARY 18, 2025

Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Directs the Legislative Commission to appoint a
Regional Rail Transit Advisory Working Group to
conduct an interim study relating to regional rail
transit. (BDR S-614)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.
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.

AN ACT relating to rail transit; directing the Legislative
Commission to appoint a Regional Rail Transit Advisory
Working Group to conduct an interim study relating to
regional rail transit in certain counties; and providing
other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 This bill directs the Legislative Commission to appoint a Regional Rail Transit
2 Advisory Working Group to conduct an interim study concerning the development
3 of regional rail transit in Clark and Washoe Counties. This bill requires the
4 Advisory Working Group to: (1) for Clark and Washoe Counties, study the current
5 state of regional rail transit and public transit, the need for regional rail transit, the
6 sources of money to support the development of regional rail transit and public and
7 private entities that should be involved in the development of regional rail transit;
8 and (2) submit an actionable plan for the development of regional rail transit in
9 Clark and Washoe Counties and a written report of its findings and
10 recommendations to the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Growth and
11 Infrastructure.



THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** 1. The Legislative Commission shall appoint a
2 Regional Rail Transit Advisory Working Group to conduct a study
3 during the 2025-2026 interim concerning the development of
4 regional rail transit in Clark and Washoe Counties.

5 2. The Advisory Working Group must be composed of the
6 following voting members appointed by the Legislative
7 Commission:

8 (a) One member who represents a labor union representing rail
9 or public transit employees in Clark County;

10 (b) One member who represents a labor union representing rail
11 or public transit employees in Washoe County;

12 (c) One member who represents the Regional Transportation
13 Commission of Southern Nevada;

14 (d) One member who represents the Regional Transportation
15 Commission of Washoe County;

16 (e) One member who represents a private business engaged in
17 the business of rail or transit;

18 (f) Two members who are Legislators;

19 (g) One member who represents Clark County or another local
20 government in Clark County;

21 (h) One member who represents Washoe County or another
22 local government in Washoe County;

23 (i) One member who is a resident of Clark County who has an
24 interest or expertise in rail transit; and

25 (j) One member who is a resident of Washoe County who has an
26 interest or expertise in rail transit.

27 3. In addition to the members appointed pursuant to subsection
28 2, the Legislative Commission may appoint any other nonvoting
29 members to advise or assist the Advisory Working Group.

30 4. During the 2025-2026 interim, the Advisory Working Group
31 shall study:

32 (a) The current state of regional rail and public transit in Clark
33 and Washoe Counties, including, without limitation, any current or
34 future rail or public transit projects that are currently in the planning
35 stages or under development;

36 (b) The need for regional rail transit in Clark and Washoe
37 Counties;

38 (c) Potential sources of federal, state, private or nonprofit money
39 to support the development of regional rail transit in Clark and
40 Washoe Counties; and



1 (d) Any public or private entities which should be involved or
2 oversee the planning, development and implementation of regional
3 rail transit in Clark and Washoe Counties.

4 5. The Advisory Working Group shall, at its first meeting, elect
5 a Chair and Vice Chair from among its voting members.

6 6. The Advisory Working Group shall meet at the call of the
7 Chair at least once each month. A majority of the Advisory Working
8 Group constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business, and a
9 majority of those voting members present at any meeting is
10 sufficient for any official action taken by the Advisory Working
11 Group.

12 7. The members of the Advisory Working Group serve without
13 compensation and are not entitled to the per diem and travel
14 expenses provided for state officers and employees generally.

15 8. On or before July 1, 2026, the Advisory Working Group
16 shall prepare and submit to the Director of the Legislative Counsel
17 Bureau for transmittal to the Joint Interim Standing Committee on
18 Growth and Infrastructure:

19 (a) An actionable plan to develop regional rail transit in Clark
20 and Washoe Counties; and

21 (b) A written report describing the findings and
22 recommendations of the Advisory Working Group, including any
23 recommendations for legislation.

24 **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2025.



