
SENATE BILL NO. 10—COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

(ON BEHALF OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
FOR THE REVIEW AND OVERSIGHT OF THE
TAHOE REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY AND
THE MARLETTE LAKE WATER SYSTEM)

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Referred to Committee on Natural Resources

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to certain reports.
(BDR 26-375)

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

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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 governmental administration; revising provisions governing the submission of certain reports by the State Land Registrar; repealing provisions requiring the State Forester Firewarden to submit an annual report relating to the Lake Tahoe Basin; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

- 1 Existing law requires the State Land Registrar to report quarterly to the State
2 Board of Examiners regarding certain real property or interests in real property
3 transferred in the Lake Tahoe Basin. (NRS 321.5954) **Section 1** of this bill instead
4 requires the State Land Registrar to report annually to the Board.
5 Existing law requires the State Forester Firewarden to submit an annual report
6 concerning fire prevention and forest health in the Nevada portion of the Lake
7 Tahoe Basin to certain governmental entities. (NRS 528.150) **Section 2** of this bill
8 repeals this requirement.



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

1 **Section 1.** NRS 321.5954 is hereby amended to read as
2 follows:

3 321.5954 1. In carrying out a program authorized pursuant to
4 NRS 321.5953, the Division may, as the State Land Registrar deems
5 appropriate regarding particular parcels of land:

6 (a) Acquire, from a willing owner, real property or an interest in
7 real property in the Lake Tahoe Basin by donation, purchase or
8 exchange;

9 (b) Transfer real property or an interest in real property in the
10 Lake Tahoe Basin by sale, lease or exchange;

11 (c) Eliminate, or mitigate the effects of, development, land
12 coverage or features or conditions of real property acquired pursuant
13 to paragraph (a) that are detrimental to the natural environment of
14 the Lake Tahoe Basin; and

15 (d) Retire, extinguish or otherwise terminate rights to develop
16 or place land coverage on real property acquired pursuant to
17 paragraph (a).

18 2. The State Land Registrar may transfer real property or an
19 interest in real property acquired pursuant to this section:

20 (a) To state and federal agencies, local governments and
21 nonprofit organizations for such consideration as the State Land
22 Registrar deems to be reasonable and in the interest of the general
23 public.

24 (b) To other persons for a price that is not less than the fair
25 market value of the real property or interest.

26 3. Before real property or an interest in real property is
27 transferred pursuant to this section, the State Land Registrar shall
28 record a declaration of restrictions or deed restrictions if the State
29 Land Registrar determines that such restrictions are necessary to
30 protect the public interest.

31 4. The State Land Registrar shall report ~~quarterly~~ **annually**
32 to the State Board of Examiners regarding the real property or interests
33 in real property transferred pursuant to this section.

34 5. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a person shall
35 not acquire, disturb or use real property or an interest in real
36 property acquired by this State pursuant to this section unless the
37 person first obtains written authorization from the State Land
38 Registrar.

39 6. As used in this section:

40 (a) "Interest in real property" includes, without limitation:

41 (1) An easement for conservation as that term is defined in
42 NRS 111.410;



- 1 (2) The right to develop the real property;
- 2 (3) The right to place land coverage on the real property; and
- 3 (4) Such other easements or rights as are appurtenant to the
- 4 real property.
- 5 (b) "Land coverage" means a covering over or compaction of
- 6 the natural surface of the ground that prevents water from
- 7 percolating into the ground.
- 8 **Sec. 2.** NRS 528.150 is hereby repealed.
- 9 **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

TEXT OF REPEALED SECTION

528.150 Report concerning fire prevention and forest health in Lake Tahoe Basin; contents of report.

1. On or before January 1 of each year, the State Forester Firewarden shall, in coordination and cooperation with the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and the fire chiefs within the Lake Tahoe Basin, submit a report concerning fire prevention and forest health in the Nevada portion of the Lake Tahoe Basin to:

(a) The Legislative Committee for the Review and Oversight of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and Marlette Lake Water System created by NRS 218E.555 and to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the Legislature;

(b) The Governor;

(c) The Tahoe Regional Planning Agency; and

(d) Each United States Senator and Representative in Congress who is elected to represent the State of Nevada.

2. The report submitted by the State Forester Firewarden pursuant to subsection 1 must address, without limitation:

(a) The status of:

(1) The implementation of plans for the prevention of fires in the Nevada portion of the Lake Tahoe Basin, including, without limitation, plans relating to the reduction of fuel for fires;

(2) Efforts concerning forest restoration in the Nevada portion of the Lake Tahoe Basin; and

(3) Efforts concerning rehabilitation of vegetation, if any, as a result of a fire or other event which significantly disturbs the vegetation in the Nevada portion of the Lake Tahoe Basin.

(b) Compliance with:

(1) The goals and policies for fire prevention and forest health in the Nevada portion of the Lake Tahoe Basin; and



(2) Any recommendations concerning fire prevention or public safety made by any fire department or fire protection district in the Nevada portion of the Lake Tahoe Basin.

(c) Any efforts to:

(1) Increase public awareness in the Nevada portion of the Lake Tahoe Basin regarding fire prevention and public safety; and

(2) Coordinate with other federal, state, local and private entities with regard to projects to reduce fire hazards in the Nevada portion of the Lake Tahoe Basin.

