

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 129—COMMITTEE
ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

FEBRUARY 9, 2023

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing certain county fair and recreation boards. (BDR 20-850)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.
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 counties; revising the membership of the county fair and recreation board of certain counties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 Existing law authorizes the governing body of any county to create a county
2 fair and recreation board. (NRS 244A.599) Existing law further requires that, in any
3 county whose population is 700,000 or more (currently Clark County), a county fair
4 and recreation board must consist of 14 members, including 8 members who were
5 selected by the board of county commissioners and the governing bodies of certain
6 cities in the county and 6 members appointed by the other 8 members. (NRS
7 244A.603) This bill increases the membership of such a county fair and recreation
8 board to 15 members and requires that the additional member be appointed by the 8
9 selected members from a list of nominees submitted by the largest chamber of
10 commerce that represents Latino or Hispanic businesses in the county.

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

1 **Section 1.** NRS 244A.603 is hereby amended to read as
2 follows:

3 244A.603 1. In any county whose population is 700,000 or
4 more, the county fair and recreation board consists of ~~14~~ **15**
5 members selected as follows:

6 (a) Two members by the board of county commissioners from
7 their own number.



1 (b) Two members by the governing body of the incorporated
2 city with the largest population in the county from their own
3 number.

4 (c) One member by the governing body of the incorporated city
5 with the second largest population in the county from their own
6 number.

7 (d) One member by the governing body of the incorporated city
8 with the third largest population in the county from their own
9 number.

10 (e) One member by the governing body of the incorporated city
11 with the smallest population in the county from their own number.

12 (f) One member by the governing body of one of the other
13 incorporated cities in the county from their own number.

14 (g) ~~Six~~ *Seven* members to be appointed by the members
15 selected pursuant to paragraphs (a) to (f), inclusive, of which:

16 (1) Three members must be selected from a list of nominees
17 submitted by the chamber of commerce of the incorporated city with
18 the largest population in the county. If the nominees so listed are
19 unsatisfactory to the members making the selection, they may, until
20 satisfied, request additional lists of nominees. The members
21 appointed pursuant to this subparagraph must be selected as follows:

22 (I) Two members who are representatives of tourism, at
23 least one of whom must be a representative of the resort hotel
24 business; and

25 (II) One member who is a representative of other
26 commercial interests or interests related to tourism.

27 (2) Three members must be selected from a list of nominees
28 submitted by the association of gaming establishments whose
29 membership in the county collectively paid the most gross revenue
30 fees to the State pursuant to NRS 463.370 in the preceding year. If
31 the nominees so listed are unsatisfactory to the members making the
32 selection, they may, until satisfied, request additional lists of
33 nominees. The members selected pursuant to this subparagraph must
34 be representatives of the resort hotel business, at least one of whom
35 is engaged in that business in the central business district of the
36 incorporated city with the largest population in the county.

37 (3) *One member must be selected from a list of nominees
38 submitted by the largest chamber of commerce representing
39 Latino or Hispanic businesses in the county. If the nominees so
40 listed are unsatisfactory to the members making the selection, they
41 may, until satisfied, request additional lists of nominees.*

42 2. If there is more than one incorporated city in the county that
43 is eligible to appoint the member provided in paragraph (f) of
44 subsection 1, the board of county commissioners shall facilitate a



1 biennial rotation of the authority to appoint that member among
2 those cities.

3 3. Any vacancy occurring on a county fair and recreation board
4 must be filled by the authority entitled to appoint the member whose
5 position is vacant.

6 4. After the initial appointments of members appointed
7 pursuant to paragraph (g) of subsection 1, all members must be
8 appointed for 2-year terms. If any such member ceases to be
9 engaged in the business sector which he or she was appointed to
10 represent, he or she ceases to be a member, and another person
11 engaged in that business must be appointed to fill the unexpired
12 term. Any such member may succeed himself or herself.

13 5. The term of the member appointed pursuant to paragraph (f)
14 of subsection 1 is 2 years, commencing on July 1 of each odd-
15 numbered year.

16 6. The terms of members appointed pursuant to paragraphs (a)
17 to (e), inclusive, of subsection 1 are coterminous with their terms of
18 office. Any such member may succeed himself or herself.



