

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 437—COMMITTEE
ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

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Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Establishes a statewide information system for reporting nonemergency situations. (BDR 19-755)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
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 information technology; requiring the establishment of a statewide information system to provide information to and accept reports from the general public regarding nonemergency situations in this State; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 Existing law provides for access to emergency 911 service for reporting
2 emergency situations. (NRS 704.006, 704.68879, 704.68881) In addition, under
3 existing law, the Department of Health and Human Services is required to
4 implement a statewide information and referral system to provide nonemergency
5 information and referrals to the general public regarding the health, welfare, human
6 and social services provided by public and private entities in Nevada. This system
7 is accessible to a person via telephone by dialing the digits “2-1-1.” (NRS 232.359)
8 Existing law creates the Division of Enterprise Information Technology
9 Services of the Department of Administration to perform information services for
10 state agencies and to provide technical advice regarding the information systems
11 within state agencies and of certain authorized local government agencies. (NRS
12 242.071, 242.080) An information system consists of communications or computer
13 equipment, computer software, procedures, personnel or technology used to collect,
14 process, distribute or store information, including an application for mobile
15 telephones. (NRS 242.057) **Section 1** of this bill requires the Division to establish
16 and maintain a statewide nonemergency information system to provide information
17 to and accept reports from the general public regarding nonemergency situations in
18 this State. **Section 1** requires each state agency in the Executive Department of the
19 State Government to participate in the statewide nonemergency information system
20 unless it is authorized to withdraw from participation. **Section 1** also authorizes a
21 local governmental agency to participate in the statewide nonemergency



22 information system if the local governmental agency pays certain costs associated
23 with its participation.

24 **Section 3** of this bill requires the Division to: (1) develop a plan for the design,
25 development and implementation of the statewide nonemergency information
26 system by May 1, 2018; and (2) enter into a contract for the design, development
27 and implementation of the system by June 30, 2019.

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

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 242 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 *1. The Division shall establish and maintain a statewide*
4 *nonemergency information system to provide information to and*
5 *accept reports from the general public regarding nonemergency*
6 *situations in the State. The Division may integrate into the*
7 *statewide nonemergency information system any nonemergency*
8 *information system established by a state or local governmental*
9 *agency that participates in the statewide nonemergency*
10 *information system.*

11 *2. Each state agency shall participate in the statewide*
12 *nonemergency information system established pursuant to*
13 *subsection 1 unless the Administrator authorizes a state agency to*
14 *withdraw from participation in the statewide nonemergency*
15 *information system because the state agency does not accept*
16 *reports from the general public regarding nonemergency*
17 *situations or if, in the opinion of the Administrator, the reports*
18 *accepted by the state agency are not suitable for inclusion in the*
19 *statewide nonemergency information system.*

20 *3. A local governmental agency may apply to the*
21 *Administrator to participate in the statewide nonemergency*
22 *information system established pursuant to subsection 1. If the*
23 *local governmental agency is approved to participate in the*
24 *statewide nonemergency information system, the local*
25 *governmental agency shall pay the cost associated with its*
26 *participation, as determined by the Administrator.*

27 *4. As used in this section:*

28 *(a) "Nonemergency situation" means a situation in which*
29 *property or human life is not in jeopardy and the prompt*
30 *summoning of aid is not essential.*

31 *(b) "State agency" means an agency, bureau, board,*
32 *commission, department, division, officer, employee or agent or*
33 *any other unit of the Executive Department.*



1 **Sec. 2.** NRS 242.141 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 242.141 To facilitate the economical processing of data
3 throughout the State Government, the Division may provide service
4 for agencies not under the control of the Governor, upon the request
5 of any such agency. The Division may provide services, including,
6 without limitation, purchasing services, to a local governmental
7 agency upon request, if provision of such services will result in
8 reduced costs to the State for equipment and services **H or as**
9 **authorized by section 1 of this act.**

10 **Sec. 3.** 1. On or before May 1, 2018, the Division of
11 Enterprise Information Technology Services of the Department of
12 Administration shall develop a plan for the design, development and
13 implementation of the statewide nonemergency information system
14 required by section 1 of this act. The plan must include, without
15 limitation:

16 (a) The design, functionality and format of the nonemergency
17 information system; and

18 (b) The costs of implementing and maintaining the
19 nonemergency information system.

20 2. On or before June 30, 2019, the Division shall enter into a
21 contract for the design, development and implementation of the
22 statewide nonemergency information system required by section 1
23 of this act.

24 **Sec. 4.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2017.



