## ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 51–COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

(ON BEHALF OF THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR)

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Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Revises provisions regarding the collection of debts owed to state agencies. (BDR 31-231)

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 fomitted material; is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to collection of debts; transferring the authority and duties for the collection of debts owed to state agencies from the State Controller to the Director of the Office of Finance in the Office of the Governor; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:** 

Existing law requires the State Controller to act as the collection agent for each state agency. (NRS 353C.195) Pursuant to that authority, the State Controller is authorized to take certain actions, including, without limitation: (1) entering into an agreement with a debtor which provides for installment payments of a debt; (2) contracting with a private debt collector for the assignment of the collection of a debt; and (3) requesting that a debt be designated by the State Board of Examiners as a bad debt. (NRS 353C.130, 353C.200, 353C.220) This bill transfers authority and the duties of the State Controller as the collection agent for each state agency to the Director of the Office of Finance in the Office of the Governor.

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

**Section 1.** Chapter 353C of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 and 3 of this act.

Sec. 2. "Director" means the Director of the Office of Finance.





- 1 Sec. 3. "Office of Finance" means the Office of Finance 2 created by NRS 223.400 in the Office of the Governor.
  - **Sec. 4.** NRS 353C.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

353C.010 As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in NRS 353C.020 to 353C.080, inclusive, *and sections 2 and 3 of this act* have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

Sec. 5. NRS 353C.020 is hereby amended to read as follows:

353C.020 "Agency" means an agency, bureau, *office*, board, commission, department or division of the Executive Department of State Government.

**Sec. 6.** NRS 353C.090 is hereby amended to read as follows:

353C.090 Except as otherwise provided in NRS 353C.195, the provisions of this chapter apply to an agency only to the extent that no other specific statute exists which provides for the collection of debts due the agency. To the extent that the provisions of this chapter conflict with such a specific statute, the provisions of the specific statute control until a debt is assigned to the **State Controller Office of Finance** for collection.

**Sec. 7.** NRS 353C.110 is hereby amended to read as follows:

353C.110 The [State Controller] *Director* may adopt such regulations as are necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter.

**Sec. 8.** NRS 353C.115 is hereby amended to read as follows:

353C.115 1. [The State Controller shall adopt regulations establishing a fee of \$25 that an] An agency shall charge a [person] fee of \$25 for each check or other method of payment that is returned to the agency or otherwise dishonored upon presentation for payment because the person had insufficient money or credit with the drawee or financial institution to pay the check or other method of payment, or because the person stopped payment on the check or other method of payment.

- 2. Notwithstanding any specific statute or regulation to the contrary, an agency may only charge and collect a fee for a check or other method of payment returned to the agency or otherwise dishonored upon presentation for payment because the person has insufficient money or credit, or because the person stopped payment on the check or other method of payment, in accordance with the regulations adopted by the [State Controller] Director pursuant to this section.
- 3. For the purposes of this section, "agency" does not include the Department of Taxation, Nevada Gaming Commission or Nevada Gaming Control Board.





**Sec. 9.** NRS 353C.130 is hereby amended to read as follows:

353C.130 1. The [State Controller] Director may enter into an agreement with a debtor which provides for the payment of a debt owed by the debtor to an agency on an installment basis over a 12-month or lesser period. Upon good cause shown by the debtor, the [State Controller] Director may extend the period during which installment payments will be made for more than a 12-month period.

2. Upon entering into an agreement pursuant to subsection 1, the Director shall notify the State Controller of the agreement for the purposes of NRS 353C.128.

**Sec. 10.** NRS 353C.133 is hereby amended to read as follows:

353C.133 Notwithstanding any specific statute to the contrary, the [State Controller] *Director* may enter into an agreement with a debtor to accept the payment of a portion of the debt in full satisfaction of the debt, including any penalty and interest, if:

- 1. The **[State Controller] Director** determines that accepting the agreed upon amount is likely to generate more net revenue for the State than continuing efforts to collect the full amount of the debt; and
  - 2. The agency to which the debt is owed approves.
  - Sec. 11. NRS 353C.135 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 353C.135 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 or by a specific statute, a person who owes a debt of more than \$300 pursuant to this chapter shall, in addition to the debt, pay:
- (a) If the **State Controller Director** has entered into a contract pursuant to NRS 353C.200 with a private debt collector or any other person for the assignment of the collection of the debt:
- (1) A fee payable to the [State Controller] Office of Finance in the amount of 2 percent of the amount of the debt assigned to the [State Controller] Office of Finance for collection pursuant to NRS 353C.195;
- (2) The amount of the costs and fees established in the contract; and
  - (3) Any additional costs and fees actually incurred to collect the debt; or
  - (b) If the [State Controller] *Director* has not assigned the collection of the debt pursuant to NRS 353C.200:
  - (1) A fee payable to the [State Controller] Office of Finance in the amount of 2 percent of the amount of the debt assigned to the [State Controller] Office of Finance for collection pursuant to NRS 353C.195.
  - (2) An amount payable to the [State Controller] Office of Finance for costs and fees which is equal to a percentage of the amount of the debt recovered. The [State Controller] Director shall calculate the appropriate percentage pursuant to this subparagraph





that is applicable to the debt by reducing by 5 percentage points the lowest such percentage established in any contract entered into by the [State Controller] *Director* pursuant to NRS 353C.200 that was effective at the time the debt was incurred.

- (3) Any additional costs and fees actually incurred to collect the debt.
- 2. The total amount of costs and fees required pursuant to subsection 1 must not exceed 35 percent of the amount of the debt or \$50,000, whichever is less. Any prejudgment or postjudgment interest on the debt authorized by law must not be included in the calculation of the costs and fees actually incurred to collect the debt.

**Sec. 12.** NRS 353C.140 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 353C.140 If a person has not paid a debt that the person owes to an agency, the Attorney General, upon the request of the [State Controller:] Director:
- 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, shall bring an action in a court of competent jurisdiction; or
- 2. If the action is a small claim subject to chapter 73 of NRS, may bring an action in a court of competent jurisdiction,
- → on behalf of this state to collect the debt, plus any applicable penalties and interest. The action must be brought not later than 4 years after the date on which the debt became due or within 4 years after the date on which a certificate of liability was last recorded pursuant to NRS 353C.180, as appropriate.
- **Sec. 13.** NRS 353C.150 is hereby amended to read as follows: 353C.150 1. In addition to any other remedy provided for in this chapter, if a person who owes a debt to an agency:
- (a) Fails to pay the debt when it is due, or fails to pay an agreed upon amount in satisfaction of the debt; or
- (b) Defaults on a written or other agreement relating to the payment of the debt,
- the [State Controller] Director may, within 4 years after the date on which the debt became due or the date on which the debtor defaulted, as appropriate, file with the office of the clerk of a court of competent jurisdiction an application for the entry of summary judgment against the debtor for the amount due.
- 2. The [State Controller] Director shall, not less than 15 days before the date on which he or she intends to file the application, notify the debtor of the [State Controller's] Director's intention to file the application. The notification must be sent by certified mail to the last known address of the debtor and must include the name of the agency to which the debt is owed, the amount sought to be recovered and the date on which the application will be filed with the court.
  - 3. An application for the entry of summary judgment must:





- (a) Be accompanied by a certificate that specifies:
- (1) The amount of the debt, including any interest and penalties due;
- (2) The name and address of the debtor, as the name and address of the debtor appear on the records of the [State Controller;] Office of Finance;
  - (3) The basis for the determination of the amount due; and
- (4) That the [State Controller has] Director and the Office of Finance have complied with the applicable provisions of law relating to the determination of the amount required to be paid; and
  - (b) Include:

- (1) A request that judgment be entered against the debtor for the amount specified in the certificate; and
- (2) Evidence that the debtor was notified of the application for the entry of summary judgment in accordance with subsection 2.

**Sec. 14.** NRS 353C.160 is hereby amended to read as follows:

353C.160 The court clerk, upon the filing of an application for the entry of summary judgment which complies with the requirements set forth in NRS 353C.150, shall forthwith enter a judgment against the debtor in the amount of the debt, plus any penalties and interest, as set forth in the certificate. The [State Controller] Director shall serve a copy of the judgment, together with a copy of the application and the certificate, upon the debtor against whom the judgment is entered, either by personal service or by mailing a copy to the last known address of the debtor.

**Sec. 15.** NRS 353C.171 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 353C.171 1. If an agency or the [State Controller] Director obtains a judgment against a person for a debt owed to an agency that has been assigned to the [State Controller] Office of Finance for collection pursuant to NRS 353C.195, the [State Controller] Director may, in addition to any other manner of executing the judgment provided by law, require each employer of the person to withhold income from the person's wages and pay it over to the [State Controller] Office of Finance in accordance with the provisions of NRS 353C.171 to 353C.179, inclusive.
- 2. Before the [State Controller] Director may require an employer of a person to withhold income from the person's wages and pay it over to the [State Controller,] Office of Finance, the [State Controller] Director shall provide to the person a notice, sent by certified mail to the person's last known address, explaining that if the person does not:
- (a) Enter into an agreement with the **State Controller Director** pursuant to NRS 353C.130 to provide for the payment of the debt, and any penalty and interest, on an installment basis; or





- (b) Pay the debt in full, including, without limitation, any penalty and interest,
- within 15 days after the date on which the notice is postmarked, the [State Controller] Director will require each employer of the person to withhold income from the person's wages and turn it over to the [State Controller] Office of Finance in accordance with NRS 353C.171 to 353C.179, inclusive.
- 3. If, within 15 days after the date on which the notice required pursuant to subsection 2 is postmarked, a person complies with the provisions of paragraph (a) or (b) of subsection 2, the [State Controller] Director may not require any employer of the person to withhold income from the person's wages.

**Sec. 16.** NRS 353C.172 is hereby amended to read as follows:

353C.172 Not earlier than 15 days after sending the notice required pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 353C.171, if the [State Controller] *Director* intends to require each employer of a person to withhold income from the person's wages and pay it over to the [State Controller] *Office of Finance* in accordance with the provisions of NRS 353C.171 to 353C.179, inclusive, the [State Controller] *Director* must provide to the person who is subject to the withholding of income a notice, sent by certified mail to the person's last known address:

- 1. That his or her income is going to be withheld not earlier than 15 days after the postmark of the notice sent pursuant to this section;
- 2. That a notice to withhold income applies to any current or subsequent employer;
  - 3. That a notice to withhold income has been mailed to his or her employer;
- 4. Of the information provided to his or her employer pursuant to NRS 353C.174;
- 5. That he or she may contest the withholding pursuant to NRS 353C.173; and
- 6. Of the grounds and procedures for contesting the withholding.

**Sec. 17.** NRS 353C.173 is hereby amended to read as follows:

353C.173 1. At any time after receiving the notice required pursuant to NRS 353C.172, a person may file with the [State Controller] Office of Finance a contest to the withholding of income. If a person files a contest pursuant to this section, the [State Controller] Director must notify each employer of the person to which a notice was sent pursuant to NRS 353C.174 to discontinue the withholding pending the outcome of the contest.

2. The contest must be in writing, in the form prescribed by the **State Controller**, **Director**, and include, without limitation:



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- (a) The grounds for contesting the withholding; and
- (b) If the person is contesting the withholding on the grounds of financial hardship, evidence of how the withholding will cause a financial hardship to the person.
- 3. Upon receipt of a contest to the withholding of income, the **State Controller:** *Director:* 
  - (a) Shall:

- (1) Consider the grounds for the contest stated by the person and any evidence submitted by the person, including, without limitation, any evidence submitted by the person that the withholding of income will cause a financial hardship to the person; and
- (2) Meet with the person to discuss the person's contest of withholding. The meeting may take place in person, by telephone or by videoconference.
- (b) May request additional information from the person related to whether the withholding of income will be a financial hardship to the person.
- 4. At a meeting held pursuant paragraph (b) of subsection 3, the [State Controller] *Director* shall offer the person an opportunity to:
- (a) Enter into an agreement with the **State Controller Director** pursuant to NRS 353C.130 to provide for the payment of the debt, and any penalty and interest, on an installment basis.
- (b) Pay the debt in full, including, without limitation, any penalty and interest.
- (c) Prove to the satisfaction of the [State Controller] *Director* that the withholding of income of the person will cause a financial hardship to the person.
- 5. If a person contests the withholding of income on the grounds that the withholding will be a financial hardship, after the meeting held pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 3, the [State Controller] Director shall make a determination whether the withholding of income will cause a financial hardship to the person. If the [State Controller] Director determines that the withholding of income will cause a financial hardship to the person, the [State Controller] Director must reduce the withholding to an amount that will not cause a financial hardship to the person.
- 6. The [State Controller] Director shall send a notice, by certified mail, of the determination made by the [State Controller] Director related to the contest of withholding to:
  - (a) The person's last known address; and
  - (b) Each employer of the person.





- **Sec. 18.** NRS 353C.174 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 353C.174 1. The [State Controller] Director shall send, by certified mail, a notice to withhold income pursuant to NRS 353C.171 to each employer of the person who is subject to the withholding.
- 2. If an employer does not begin to withhold income from the person in accordance with NRS 353C.175 after receiving the notice to withhold income that was mailed pursuant to subsection 1, the [State Controller] *Director* shall send to the employer, by certified mail, return receipt requested, another notice to withhold income. The provisions of this subsection do not apply if the employer requests that the [State Controller] *Director* calculate the amount of the withholding pursuant to NRS 353C.175.
- 3. A notice to withhold income pursuant to NRS 353C.171 must:
- (a) Contain the social security number of the person who is subject to the withholding;
- (b) Specify the total amount to be withheld from the income of the person, including any interest, penalties or assessments provided by law or costs incurred by the agency or [State Controller] Office of Finance in collecting the debt;
- (c) Describe the limitation for withholding income prescribed in NRS 31.295;
- (d) Describe the prohibition against terminating the employment of a person because of withholding and the penalties for wrongfully refusing to withhold in accordance with the notice to withhold income:
- (e) Explain the duties of an employer upon the receipt of the notice to withhold income; and
- (f) Explain that the employer may request that the [State Controller] *Director* calculate the amount of wages to be withheld from the person, subject to the limitation for withholding income prescribed in NRS 31.295, if the employer submits to the [State Controller] *Director* all information necessary for the [State Controller] *Director* to make the calculation.
- **Sec. 19.** NRS 353C.175 is hereby amended to read as follows: 353C.175 An employer who receives a notice to withhold income pursuant to NRS 353C.171:
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- (a) Calculate the amount of income to be withheld from a person's wages during each pay period in accordance with the provisions of NRS 31.295 and subject to the limitation on withholding prescribed in that section; or
- (b) Request that the **State Controller Director** calculate the amount of income to be withheld from a person's wages during each





pay period in accordance with the provisions of NRS 31.295 and subject to the limitation on withholding prescribed in that section.

- For the purposes of this subsection, a withholding of income shall be deemed a garnishment of earnings.
  - 2. Shall withhold the amount calculated pursuant to:
- (a) Paragraph (a) of subsection 1, beginning with the first pay period that occurs within 14 days after the date the notice was mailed to the employer; or
- (b) Paragraph (b) of subsection 1, beginning with the first pay period that occurs within 14 days after the [State Controller] Director notifies the employer of the amount to be withheld,

→ as applicable.

- 3. Shall continue to withhold the amount calculated pursuant to subsection 1 until:
- (a) The **State Controller Director** notifies the employer to discontinue the withholding; or
- (b) The full amount required to be paid to the [State Controller] *Office of Finance* has been paid, as indicated by a written statement to the employer from the [State Controller.] *Director*.
- 4. Shall deliver the money withheld to the **State Controller** *Office of Finance* within 7 days after the date of each payment of the regularly scheduled payroll of the employer.
- 5. Shall notify the [State Controller] *Director* when the person subject to withholding terminates his or her employment and provide the last known address of the person and the name of any new employer of the person, if known.
- **Sec. 20.** NRS 353C.176 is hereby amended to read as follows: 353C.176 1. A notice to withhold income pursuant to NRS 353C.171 is binding upon any employer of the person to whom it is mailed. To reimburse the employer for his or her costs in making the withholding, the employer may deduct \$3 from the amount paid to the person each time the employer makes a withholding.
  - 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3:
- (a) An employer may deliver money withheld to the **State** Controller Office of Finance by check or electronic transfer of money.
- (b) If an employer receives notices to withhold income pursuant to NRS 353C.171 for more than one employee, the employer may consolidate the amounts of money that are payable to the [State Controller] Office of Finance and pay those amounts with one check, but the employer shall attach to each check a statement identifying by name and social security number each person for whom payment is made and the amount transmitted for that person.
- 3. If the provisions of NRS 353.1467 apply, the employer shall make payment to the **State Controller** *Office of Finance* by any





method of electronic transfer of money allowed by the [State Controller.] *Director*. If an employer makes such payment by electronic transfer of money, the employer shall transmit separately the name and appropriate identification number, if any, of each person for whom payment is made and the amount transmitted for that person.

4. As used in this section, "electronic transfer of money" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 353.1467.

**Sec. 21.** NRS 353C.177 is hereby amended to read as follows: 353C.177 1. It is unlawful for an employer to use the withholding of income to collect an obligation to pay money to the **State Controller Office of Finance** as a basis for refusing to hire a potential employee, discharging an employee or taking disciplinary action against an employee. Any employer who violates this section shall hire or reinstate any such employee with no loss of pay or benefits, is liable for any amounts not withheld and must be fined \$1,000. If an employee prevails in an action based on this section, the employer is liable, in an amount not less than \$2,500, for payment of the employee's costs and attorney's fees incurred in that action.

2. If an employer wrongfully refuses to withhold income as required pursuant to NRS 353C.171 to 353C.179, inclusive, or knowingly misrepresents the income of an employee, the employer shall pay the amount the employer refused to withhold to the [State Controller] Office of Finance and may be ordered to pay punitive damages to the [State Controller] Office of Finance in an amount not to exceed \$1,000 for each pay period the employer failed to withhold income as required or knowingly misrepresented the income of the employee.

**Sec. 22.** NRS 353C.178 is hereby amended to read as follows: 353C.178 1. If an employer wrongfully refuses to withhold income as required pursuant to NRS 353C.171 to 353C.179, inclusive, after receiving a notice to withhold income that was sent by certified mail pursuant to NRS 353C.173 or 353C.174, or knowingly misrepresents the income of an employee, the **[State Controller]** *Director* may apply for and the court may issue an order directing the employer to appear and show cause why he or she should not be subject to the penalties prescribed in subsection 2 of NRS 353C.177.

- 2. At the hearing on the order to show cause, the court, upon a finding that the employer wrongfully refused to withhold income as required or knowingly misrepresented an employee's income:
- (a) May order the employer to comply with the requirements of NRS 353C.171 to 353C.179, inclusive;





- (b) May order the employer to provide accurate information concerning the employee's income;
- (c) May impose penalties against the employer pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 353C.177; and
- (d) Shall require the employer to pay the amount the employer failed or refused to withhold from the employee's income.
  - Sec. 23. NRS 353C.179 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 353C.179 1. An employer who complies with a notice to withhold income pursuant to NRS 353C.171 that is regular on its face may not be held liable in any civil action for any conduct taken in compliance with the notice.
- 2. Compliance by an employer with a notice to withhold income pursuant to NRS 353C.171 is a discharge of the employer's liability to the person as to that portion of the income affected.
- 3. If a court issues an order to stay a withholding of income, the [State Controller] *Director and the Office of Finance* may not be held liable in any civil action to the person who is the subject of the withholding of income for any money withheld before the stay becomes effective.
  - **Sec. 24.** NRS 353C.180 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 353C.180 1. In addition to any other remedy provided for in this chapter, the **State Controller Director** may, within 4 years after the date that a debt becomes due, record a certificate of liability in the office of a county recorder which states:
- (a) The amount of the debt, together with any interest or penalties due thereon;
- (b) The name and address of the debtor, as the name and address of the debtor appear on the records of the [State Controller;] Office of Finance;
- (c) That the [State Controller] Office of Finance has complied with all procedures required by law for determining the amount of the debt; and
- (d) That the **[State Controller]** *Director* has notified the debtor in accordance with subsection 2.
- 2. The [State Controller] Director shall, not less than 15 days before the date on which he or she intends to file the certificate, notify the debtor of the [State Controller's] Director's intention to file the certificate. The notification must be sent by certified mail to the last known address of the debtor and must include the name of the agency to which the debt is owed, the amount sought to be recovered and the date on which the certificate will be filed with the county recorder.
- 3. From the time of the recording of the certificate, the amount of the debt, including interest which accrues on the debt after the recording of the certificate, constitutes a lien upon all real and





personal property situated in the county in which the certificate was recorded that is owned by the debtor or acquired by the debtor afterwards and before the lien expires. The lien has the force, effect and priority of a judgment lien on all real and personal property situated in the county in which the certificate was recorded and continues for 4 years after the date of recording unless sooner released or otherwise discharged.

4. Within 4 years after the date of the recording of the certificate or within 4 years after the date of the last extension of the lien pursuant to this subsection, the lien may be extended by recording a new certificate in the office of the county recorder. From the date of recording, the lien is extended for 4 years to all real and personal property situated in the county that is owned by the debtor or acquired by the debtor afterwards, unless the lien is sooner released or otherwise discharged.

Sec. 25. NRS 353C.190 is hereby amended to read as follows: 353C.190 1. The Director may notify the State Controller of any debts for which a debtor may be entitled to payment from an agency.

- 2. The State Controller, upon notification from the Director pursuant to subsection 1, may offset any amount due an agency from a debtor against any amount owing to that debtor by any agency, regardless of whether the agency which owes the amount is the same agency to which the debtor owes the debt. Whenever the combined amount owing to a debtor by all agencies is insufficient to offset all the amounts due the agencies from the debtor, the State Controller shall allocate the amount available from the debtor among the agencies in such a manner as the [State Controller] Director determines is appropriate.
- [2.] 3. If a debtor who owes a debt to an agency has a claim against that agency or another agency and refuses or neglects to file the claim with the agency within a reasonable time, the [State Controller] Director may file the claim on behalf of the debtor. If the [State Controller] Director files the claim, it has the same force and effect as though filed by the debtor. The amount due the debtor from the agency is the net amount otherwise owing to the debtor after any offset as provided in this section.
- [3.] 4. The [State Controller] Director shall adopt such regulations as are necessary to carry out the provisions of this section, including, without limitation, the manner in which offsets will be allocated among agencies.

**Sec. 26.** NRS 353C.195 is hereby amended to read as follows: 353C.195 Except as otherwise provided in this section or by a specific statute or federal law:





- 1. The [State Controller] *Director* shall act as the collection agent for each agency.
  - 2. An agency shall coordinate all its debt collection efforts through the **State Controller.** *Office of Finance.*
  - 3. Unless an agency and the [State Controller] Director agree on a different time, an agency shall assign a debt to the [State Controller] Office of Finance for collection not later than 60 days after the debt becomes past due.
  - 4. An agency shall not assign a debt to the **State Controller Office of Finance** for collection if the debt is administratively contested by the debtor. For the purposes of this subsection, a debt is not administratively contested if:
  - (a) The debtor and the agency have agreed on the existence and amount of the debt;
  - (b) The debtor has failed to contest timely the existence or amount of the debt in accordance with the administrative procedures prescribed by the agency; or
  - (c) The debtor has timely contested the debt in accordance with the administrative procedures prescribed by the agency and the agency has issued a final decision concerning the existence and amount of the debt.
- 5. Upon the request of an agency, the **State Controller**Director shall waive a requirement of this section:
- (a) If the **State Controller Director** determines that the agency has the resources to engage in its own debt collection efforts; or
  - (b) For good cause shown.
- 6. If the [State Controller] Director waives the requirements of subsection 1 or 2 for an agency, the agency may exercise any right or remedy conferred on the [State Controller] Office of Finance or the Director pursuant to the provisions of NRS 353C.130 to 353C.180, inclusive, and 353C.200 to 353C.230, inclusive, to collect a debt.
- 7. An agency that is authorized by specific statute to collect a debt on behalf of or in trust for a particular person or entity may assign the debt to the [State Controller] Office of Finance for collection pursuant to this section. If such an agency does not assign a debt to the [State Controller] Office of Finance pursuant to this section, the agency may, in addition to any right or remedy conferred on the agency by specific statute to collect a debt, exercise any right or remedy conferred on the [State Controller] Office of Finance or the Director pursuant to the provisions of NRS 353C.130 to 353C.180, inclusive, and 353C.200 to 353C.230, inclusive, to collect the debt.





**Sec. 27.** NRS 353C.1955 is hereby amended to read as follows:

353C.1955 If an agency assigns a debt to the [State Controller] Office of Finance for collection pursuant to NRS 353C.195 and the debt is subject to the payment of interest pursuant to a specific statute or regulation, interest must accrue on the debt at the rate most recently established pursuant to NRS 99.040 beginning on the date of the assignment of the debt to the [State Controller,] Office of Finance, notwithstanding any other rate of interest set forth in the specific statute or regulation.

**Sec. 28.** NRS 353C.196 is hereby amended to read as follows:

353C.196 The State Controller is not required to draw a warrant to refund an overpayment of a debt which is paid to the [State Controller] Office of Finance if the amount of the overpayment is less than \$10, unless the debtor, not later than 1 year after the date of the overpayment, submits a written request to the [State Controller] Office of Finance for payment of the refund.

**Sec. 29.** NRS 353C.1965 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 353C.1965 1. The [State Controller] Office of Finance shall establish and maintain a list of persons who owe a debt to an agency that has been assigned to the [State Controller] Office of Finance for collection pursuant to NRS 353C.195.
- 2. A licensing agency shall provide to the [State Controller:] Office of Finance:
- (a) The name, address and social security number or employer identification number, as applicable, of each licensee; and
- (b) The business identification number of the licensee, if the licensee has a state business registration.
- 3. A licensing agency shall provide the information described in subsection 2:
- (a) On or before February 1 of each year for licensees who renewed licenses from July 1 through December 31 of the previous calendar year; or
- (b) On or before August 1 of each year for licensees who renewed licenses from January 1 through June 30 of the current calendar year.
- 4. If the [State Controller] Office of Finance determines that the name of any licensee appears on the list established by the [State Controller] Office of Finance pursuant to subsection 1, the [State Controller] Office of Finance shall send a written notice to the licensee, which includes, without limitation:
  - (a) The amount of the debt;
  - (b) A request for payment of the debt;





- (c) Notification that the licensee may enter into an agreement with the **State Controller Director** pursuant to NRS 353C.130 for the payment of the debt;
- (d) Notification that the licensee must respond to the notice within 30 days after the date on which the notice was sent;
- (e) Notification that the licensee may request a hearing to determine the validity of the debt not later than 30 days after the date on which the notice was sent; and
- (f) Notification that the licensing agency is prohibited from renewing the license of the licensee unless the licensee pays the debt, enters into an agreement for the payment of the debt pursuant to NRS 353C.130 or demonstrates to the [State Controller] Director that the debt is not valid.
- 5. The [State Controller] Office of Finance shall notify the licensing agency if the licensee does not pay the debt that has been assigned to the [State Controller] Office of Finance for collection, enter into an agreement for the payment of the debt pursuant to NRS 353C.130 or demonstrate that the debt is not valid. A licensing agency shall not renew the license of the licensee who is the subject of the notification until the [State Controller] Office of Finance notifies the licensing agency that the licensee has:
  - (a) Satisfied the debt;

- (b) Entered into an agreement for the payment of the debt pursuant to NRS 353C.130; or
  - (c) Demonstrated that the debt is not valid.
- 6. Information shared between the [State Controller] Office of Finance or the Director and a licensing agency to carry out the provisions of this section is not a public record.
- 7. A licensing agency may not be held liable in any civil action for any action taken by the licensing agency in good faith to comply with the provisions of this section.
- 8. The [State Controller] *Director* shall verify with the Secretary of State the information related to the state business registration of each licensee.
- 9. The [State Controller] *Director* shall adopt such regulations as the [State Controller] *Director* determines necessary or advisable to carry out the provisions of this section.
  - 10. As used in this section:
- (a) "License" means any license, certification, registration, permit or other authorization that grants a person the authority to engage in a profession or occupation in this State.
- (b) "Licensee" means a person to whom a license has been issued.
- (c) "Licensing agency" means any agency, board or commission that regulates an occupation or profession except for the Department





of Motor Vehicles, the Division of Insurance of the Department of Business and Industry, the Commissioner of Insurance or any local government.

**Sec. 30.** NRS 353C.198 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 353C.198 1. Notwithstanding any specific statute to the contrary, if an agency has assigned a debt to the [State Controller] Office of Finance for collection pursuant to NRS 353C.195, the [State Controller] Director may:
- (a) Appoint a private debt collector or any other person as his or her agent to:
- (1) File an application for the entry of summary judgment against the debtor pursuant to NRS 353C.150; or
- (2) Record a certificate of liability against the debtor in the office of a county recorder pursuant to NRS 353C.180; and
- (b) Authorize his or her agent to incur any reasonable costs, including, without limitation, attorney's fees, that are necessary to carry out his or her duties pursuant to the appointment.
- 2. The [State Controller] *Director* must, before appointing an agent pursuant to this section, determine that making the appointment is likely to generate more net revenue for the State than other methods available to the [State Controller] *Director* to collect the debt.
  - **Sec. 31.** NRS 353C.200 is hereby amended to read as follows: 353C.200 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, if
- an agency has assigned a debt to the **State Controller** *Office of Finance* for collection pursuant to NRS 353C.195, the **State Controller** *Director* may enter into a contract with a private debt collector or any other person for the assignment of the collection of the debt if the **State Controller** *Director*:
- (a) Determines the assignment is likely to generate more net revenue than equivalent efforts by the [State Controller] Office of Finance to collect the debt, including collection efforts pursuant to this chapter;
- (b) Determines the assignment will not compromise future collections of state revenue; and
- (c) Notifies the debtor in writing at his or her address of record that the debt will be turned over for private collection unless the debtor:
  - (1) Pays the debt in full; or
  - (2) Enters into an agreement, pursuant to NRS 353C.130, for the payment of the debt on an installment basis.
- 2. A contract for the assignment of the collection of a debt may provide for:





- (a) Payment by the **[State Controller]** *Office of Finance* to the private debt collector or other person of the costs of collection and fees for collecting the debt; or
- (b) Collection by the private debt collector or other person from the debtor of the costs of collection and fees for collecting the debt.
  - **Sec. 32.** NRS 353C.210 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 353C.210 1. Notwithstanding any specific statute to the contrary, the [State Controller] *Director* may, in addition to any other remedy provided for in this chapter, give notice of the amount of a debt owed to this State and a demand to transmit to any person, including, without limitation, any officer, agency or political subdivision of this state, who has in his or her possession or under his or her control any credits or other personal property belonging to the debtor or who owes any debts to the debtor that remain unpaid. The notice and demand to transmit must be delivered personally or by certified or registered mail:
  - (a) Not later than 4 years after the debt became due; or
- (b) Not later than 4 years after the last recording of an abstract of judgment pursuant to NRS 353C.170 or a certificate of liability pursuant to NRS 353C.180.
- 2. If such notice is given to an officer or agency of this state, the notice must be delivered before the [State Controller] Director may file a claim pursuant to NRS 353C.190 on behalf of the debtor.
- 3. An agency that receives a notice and demand to transmit pursuant to this section may satisfy any debt owed to it by the debtor before it honors the notice and demand to transmit. If the agency is holding a bond or other property of the debtor as security for debts owed or that may become due and owing by the debtor, the agency is not required to transmit the amount of the bond or other property unless the agency determines that holding the bond or other property of the debtor as security is no longer required.
- 4. Except as otherwise provided by specific statute, a person who receives a demand to transmit pursuant to this section shall not thereafter transfer or otherwise dispose of the credits or other personal property of, or debts owed to, the person who is the subject of the demand to transmit without the consent of the **State Controller.** Director.
- 5. Except as otherwise provided by specific statute, a person who receives a demand to transmit pursuant to this section shall, within 10 days thereafter, inform the [State Controller] Director of, and transmit to the [State Controller] Office of Finance within the time and in the manner requested by the [State Controller,] Director, all credits or other personal property in his or her possession or control that belong to, and all debts that he or she owes to, the person who is the subject of the demand to transmit. Except as





otherwise provided in subsection 6, no further notice is required to be served on such persons.

- 6. Except as otherwise provided by specific statute, if the property of the debtor consists of a series of payments owed to the debtor, the person who owes or controls the payments shall transmit the payments to the [State Controller] Office of Finance until otherwise notified by the [State Controller.] Director. If the debt of the debtor is not paid within 1 year after the date on which the [State Controller] Director issued the original demand to transmit, the [State Controller] Director shall:
- (a) Issue another demand to transmit to the person responsible for making the payments that informs the person to continue transmitting payments to the [State Controller;] Office of Finance; or
- (b) Notify the person that his or her duty to transmit the payments to the [State Controller] Office of Finance has ceased.
- 7. If the notice and demand to transmit is intended to prevent the transfer or other disposition of a deposit in a bank or other depository institution, or of any other credit or personal property in the possession or under the control of the bank or depository institution, the notice must be delivered or mailed to any branch or office of the bank or depository institution at which the deposit is carried or the credit or personal property is held.
- 8. If any person to whom the [State Controller] Director delivers a notice and demand to transmit transfers or otherwise disposes of any property or debts required by this chapter to be transmitted to the [State Controller,] Office of Finance, the person is, to the extent of the value of the property or the amount of the debts so transferred or disposed of, liable to the [State Controller] Director for any portion of the debt that the [State Controller] Director is unable to collect from the debtor solely by reason of the transfer or other disposition of the property or debt.
- 9. A debtor who owes a debt to an agency for which the **State Controller Director** delivers a notice and demand to transmit concerning the debtor pursuant to this section is entitled to an administrative hearing before that agency to challenge the collection of the debt pursuant to the demand to transmit. Each agency may adopt such regulations as are necessary to provide an administrative hearing for the purposes of this subsection.
- Sec. 33. NRS 353C.220 is hereby amended to read as follows: 353C.220 1. If the [State Controller] Director determines that it is impossible or impractical to collect a debt, the [State Controller] Director may request the State Board of Examiners to designate the debt as a bad debt. The State Board of Examiners, by an affirmative vote of the majority of the members of the Board, may designate the





debt as a bad debt if the Board is satisfied that the collection of the debt is impossible or impractical. If the debt is not more than \$50, the State Board of Examiners may delegate to its Clerk the authority to designate the debt as a bad debt. [The State Controller may appeal a denial of a request to designate the debt as a bad debt by the Clerk to the State Board of Examiners.]

- 2. Upon the designation of a debt as a bad debt pursuant to this section, the State Board of Examiners or its Clerk shall immediately notify the State Controller *and the Director* thereof. Upon receiving the notification, the State Controller shall direct the removal of the debt from the books of account of the State of Nevada. A bad debt that is removed pursuant to this section remains a legal and binding obligation owed by the debtor to the State of Nevada.
- 3. The [State Controller] *Director* shall keep a master file of all debts that are designated as bad debts pursuant to this section. For each such debt, the [State Controller] *Director* shall record the name of the debtor, the amount of the debt, the date on which the debt was incurred and the date on which it was removed from the records and books of account of the State of Nevada, and any other information concerning the debt that the [State Controller] *Director* determines is necessary.
- **Sec. 34.** NRS 353C.222 is hereby amended to read as follows: 353C.222 1. If the period of limitation for the collection of a debt set forth in NRS 353C.140 has expired, the [State Controller] *Director* may, in lieu of requesting the State Board of Examiners to designate the debt as a bad debt pursuant to NRS 353C.220, sell the debt to any person.
- 2. All money received by the [State Controller] Office of Finance from the sale of a debt pursuant to subsection 1 must be deposited in the Debt Recovery Account created by NRS 353C.226.
  - Sec. 35. NRS 353C.224 is hereby amended to read as follows:
  - 353C.224 1. If the [State Controller] Director collects any money owed to an agency from a debtor or receives any money from the employer of a debtor or a private debt collector or other person to whom the [State Controller] Director has assigned the collection of a debt owed to an agency, the [State Controller] Director shall, unless prohibited by federal law, transfer the net amount of money owed to the agency:
  - (a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (c), to the Debt Recovery Account created by NRS 353C.226 if the debt is owed to an agency whose budget is supported exclusively or in part from the State General Fund.
  - (b) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (c), to an account specified by the agency if the debt is owed to an agency whose





budget is supported exclusively from sources other than the State General Fund.

- (c) If a specific statute requires the money to be deposited in a specific account or used for a specific purpose, to the specific account required by statute or to the account from which money is expended for the purpose specified.
- 2. If the [State Controller] Director is unable to determine where to transfer the net amount of money collected pursuant to subsection 1, the money must be deposited in the Debt Recovery Account. If an agency disputes the decision to deposit the money in the Debt Recovery Account pursuant to this subsection, the agency may, not later than 60 days after the money is deposited in the Debt Recovery Account, submit a written request to the Interim Finance Committee seeking its determination of where the money collected pursuant to subsection 1 should be deposited. If an agency fails to submit such a written request timely, the money must remain in the Debt Recovery Account and be used in accordance with NRS 353C.226.
- 3. As used in this section, "net amount of money owed to the agency" means the money owed to an agency by a debtor that is collected or received by the [State Controller] Office of Finance minus:
- (a) Any fees owed pursuant to a specific statute to the **State** Controller Office of Finance for collection of the debt;
- (b) Any costs incurred or fees paid by the [State Controller] Director to collect any debt assigned to the [State Controller] Office of Finance for collection by the agency; and
- (c) Any interest on the debt collected by the **State Controller Director** under the terms of an agreement with the debtor, pursuant to NRS 353C.130, for the payment of the debt on an installment basis.
- **Sec. 36.** NRS 353C.226 is hereby amended to read as follows: 353C.226 1. The Debt Recovery Account is hereby created in the State General Fund.
- 2. Money in the Account may only be used for support of the debt collection efforts of the [State Controller] Office of Finance pursuant to this chapter.
- 3. Money transferred to the Account is a continuing appropriation solely for the purpose of authorizing the expenditure of the transferred money for the purpose set forth in subsection 2.
- 4. Upon the approval of the Interim Finance Committee, the **State Controller Director** may expend money in the Account.
- **Sec. 37.** NRS 353C.240 is hereby amended to read as follows: 353C.240 1. The [State Controller] *Director* shall enter into agreements with financial institutions doing business in this State to





coordinate the development and operation of a system for matching data, using automated exchanges of data to the maximum extent feasible.

- 2. In addition to any other remedy provided for in this chapter, the **State Controller Director** may use the system for matching data developed and operated pursuant to subsection 1 to collect a debt, plus any applicable penalties and interest.
  - 3. A financial institution in this State shall:
- (a) Cooperate with the **State Controller Director** in carrying out the provisions of subsection 1.
- (b) Use the system to provide to the [State Controller] Office of Finance for each calendar quarter the name, address of record, social security number or other number assigned for taxpayer identification of each person who maintains an account at the financial institution, as identified by the [State Controller] Director by name and social security number or other number assigned for taxpayer identification.
- (c) In response to the receipt from the [State Controller] Office of Finance of notification of debt that a person owes the State, encumber on behalf of the [State Controller] Office of Finance a portion of the assets of the person held by the financial institution sufficient to cover the debt and surrender those assets to the [State Controller.] Office of Finance. A financial institution is not required to encumber or surrender any assets received by the financial institution on behalf of the person after the financial institution received the notice of the debt from the [State Controller.] Office of Finance.
- 4. A financial institution may not be held liable in any civil or criminal action for:
- (a) Any disclosure of information to the [State Controller] *Office of Finance* pursuant to this section.
- (b) Encumbering or surrendering any assets held by the financial institution pursuant to this section.
- (c) Any other action taken in good faith to comply with the requirements of this section.
- 5. If a court issues an order to return to a person any assets surrendered by a financial institution pursuant to subsection 3, the [State Controller is] Office of Finance and the Director are not liable to the person for any of those assets that have been provided to the [State Controller] Office of Finance in accordance with the order for the payment of a debt.
- 6. All information provided to the [State Controller] Office of Finance or the Director by a financial institution pursuant to this section is confidential and may only be used by the [State]





Controller Office of Finance and the Director for use in the collection of a debt owed to the State.

7. As used in this section, "financial institution" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 239A.030.

**Sec. 38.** NRS 223.420 is hereby amended to read as follows:

223.420 The Director of the Office of Finance is responsible for the administration, through the divisions of the Office, of the provisions of NRS 235.005 to 235.016, inclusive, 353.150 to 353.246, inclusive, and 353A.031 to 353A.100, inclusive, *chapter* 353C of NRS and all other provisions of law relating to the functions of the divisions of the Office.

**Sec. 39.** NRS 227.240 is hereby amended to read as follows:

227.240 [Whenever] Except as otherwise provided in chapter 353C of NRS, whenever any officer, or other person or persons, or corporation, shall be indebted to the state, and fail or refuse to make settlement with the State Controller, as required by law, and shall fail to pay over to the State Treasurer, on the printed or written order of the State Controller, according to the provisions of law, the amount or balance to be paid by such officer, or other person or persons, or corporation, into the treasury, or to such person or persons entitled by law to receive the same, within the time prescribed by law, or if no time be prescribed by law, then within the time specified by the State Controller, the State Controller, upon being notified by the State Treasurer, or otherwise, of such failure, shall direct the Attorney General to institute suit for the recovery of the amount due and unpaid, with damages and interest thereon, against such officer, or other person or persons or corporation.

**Sec. 40.** NRS 360A.040 is hereby amended to read as follows: 360A.040 1. If a check or other method of payment submitted to the Department for payment of any tax or fee required by chapter 365, 366 or 373 of NRS or NRS 445C.330 or 590.120 is returned to the Department or otherwise dishonored upon presentation for payment, the Department:

- (a) Shall charge an additional fee in the amount [established by the State Controller pursuant to] set forth in NRS 353C.115 for handling the check or other method of payment; and
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 353.1467, may require that any future payments be made by cashier's check, traveler's check, money order or cash.
- 2. If a check or other method of payment is submitted to the Department for payment of a tax or fee required by chapter 365, 366 or 373 of NRS or NRS 445C.330 or 590.120 on or before the date the tax or fee is due, but is afterward returned to the Department or otherwise dishonored upon presentation for payment, the





submission of the check or other method of payment shall be deemed not to constitute timely payment of the tax or fee.

**Sec. 41.** NRS 481.079 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 481.079 1. Except as otherwise provided by NRS 481.064 or any other specific statute, all taxes, license fees and money collected by the Department must be deposited with the State Treasurer to the credit of the Motor Vehicle Fund.
- 2. If a check or any other method of payment accepted by the Department in payment of such fees is returned to the Department or otherwise dishonored upon presentation for payment:
- (a) The drawer or any other person responsible for payment of the fee is subject to a fee in the amount [established by the State Controller pursuant to] set forth in NRS 353C.115 in addition to any other penalties provided by law; and
- (b) The Department may require that future payments from the person be made by cashier's check, money order, traveler's check or cash.
- 3. The Department may adjust the amount of a deposit made with the State Treasurer to the credit of the Motor Vehicle Fund for any cash shortage or overage resulting from the collection of fees.
  - **Sec. 42.** NRS 612.618 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 612.618 1. If a check, draft, electronic transfer of money or other method of payment is tendered on or before the due date in payment of contributions but is afterward returned to the Division or otherwise dishonored by the financial institution on which the check, draft or electronic transfer of money is drawn or that issued the other method of payment, the check, draft, electronic transfer of money or other method of payment does not constitute timely payment unless the Administrator determines that the return or dishonor occurred because of fault on the part of the financial institution.
- 2. The Administrator shall charge an additional fee in the amount [established by the State Controller pursuant to] set forth in NRS 353C.115 for handling against a person who presents a check, draft, electronic transfer of money or other method of payment that is afterward returned or otherwise dishonored. The fee may be waived only by the Administrator. The fee must be deposited in the Unemployment Compensation Administration Fund.
- Sec. 43. NRS 623A.240 is hereby amended to read as follows: 623A.240 1. The following fees must be prescribed by the Board and must not exceed the following amounts:





1	Application fee	\$200.00
2	Examination fee	100.00,
3		plus the actual
4		cost of the
5		examination
6	Certificate of registration	25.00
7	Annual renewal fee	200.00
8	Reinstatement fee	300.00
9	Delinquency fee	50.00
10	Change of address fee	
11	Copy of a document, per page	
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- 2. In addition to the fees set forth in subsection 1, the Board may charge and collect a fee for the expedited processing of a request or for any other incidental service it provides. The fee must not exceed the cost incurred by the Board to provide the service.
- 3. The Board may authorize a landscape architect intern to pay the application fee or any portion of that fee during any period in which he or she is the holder of a certificate to practice as a landscape architect intern. If a landscape architect intern pays the fee or any portion of the fee during that period, the Board shall credit the amount paid towards the entire amount of the application fee for the certificate of registration required pursuant to this section.
- 4. The fees prescribed by the Board pursuant to this section must be paid in United States currency in the form of a check, cashier's check or money order. If any check submitted to the Board is dishonored upon presentation for payment, repayment of the fee, including the fee for a returned check in the amount [established by the State Controller pursuant to] set forth in NRS 353C.115, must be made by money order or certified check.
- 5. The fees prescribed by the Board pursuant to this section are nonrefundable.
  - **Sec. 44.** NRS 634.135 is hereby amended to read as follows: 634.135

    1. The Board may charge and collect fees not to exceed:

For an application for a license to	
practice chiropractic	\$200.00
For an examination for a license to	
practice chiropractic	200.00
For an application for, and the	
issuance of, a certificate as a	
chiropractor's assistant	100.00





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9	chiropractic	300.00
10	chiropractic	. 500.00
11	certificate as a chiropractor's	
12	assistant	200.00
13	For the restoration to active status of	. 200.00
14	an inactive license to practice	
15	chiropractic	300.00
16	For reinstating a license to practice	. 500.00
17	chiropractic which has expired	
18	pursuant to NRS 634.130 or has	
19	been suspended	500.00
20	For reinstating a certificate as a	
21	chiropractor's assistant which has	
22	expired pursuant to NRS 634.130	
23	or has been suspended	100.00
24	For a review of any subject on the	
25	examination	25.00
26	For the issuance of a duplicate	
27	license or for changing the name	
28	on a license	35.00
29	For written verification of licensure	
30	or issuance of a certificate of	
31	good standing	25.00
32	For providing a list of persons who	
33	are licensed to practice	
34	chiropractic to a person who is	
35	not licensed to practice	
36	chiropractic	25.00
37	For providing a list of persons who	
38	were licensed to practice chiropractic following the most	
39	chiropractic following the most	
40	recent examination of the Board	
41	to a person who is not licensed to	
42	practice chiropractic	10.00





1	For a set of mailing labels containing	
2	the names and addresses of the	
3	persons who are licensed to	
4 5	practice chiropractic in this State	\$35.00
5	For providing a copy of the statutes,	
6	regulations and other rules	
7	governing the practice of chiropractic in this State to a	
8	chiropractic in this State to a	
9	person who is not licensed to	
10	practice chiropractic	25.00
11	For each page of a list of continuing	
12	education courses that have been	
13	approved by the Board	50
14	For an application to a preceptor	
15	program offered by the Board to	
16	graduates of chiropractic schools	
17	or colleges	35.00
18	For an application for a student or	
19	chiropractor to participate in the	
20	preceptor program established	
21	by the Board pursuant to	
22	NRS 634.137	35.00
23	For a review by the Board of a	
24	course offered by a chiropractic	
25	school or college or a course of	
26	continuing education in	
27	chiropractic	50.00
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- In addition to the fees set forth in subsection 1, the Board may charge and collect reasonable and necessary fees for the expedited processing of a request or for any other incidental service it provides.
- 3. For a check or other method of payment made payable to the Board or tendered to the Board that is returned to the Board or otherwise dishonored upon presentation for payment, the Board shall assess and collect a fee in the amount established by **Ithe State** Controller pursuant to NRS 353C.115.
- **Sec. 45.** NRS 679B.228 is hereby amended to read as follows: 679B.228 The Division shall charge a person a fee in the amount [established by the State Controller pursuant to] set forth in NRS 353C.115 for each check or other method of payment that is returned to the Division or otherwise dishonored because the person had insufficient money or credit with the drawee or financial institution to pay the check or other method of payment or because





the person stopped payment on the check or other method of payment.

- **Sec. 46.** 1. Any administrative regulations adopted by an officer or entity whose responsibilities have been transferred pursuant to the provisions of this act remain in force until amended by the officer or entity to which the responsibility for the adoption of the regulations has been transferred.
- 2. Any contracts or other agreements entered into by an officer or entity whose responsibilities have been transferred pursuant to the provisions of this act are binding upon the officer or entity to which the responsibility for the administration of the provisions of the contract or other agreement has been transferred. Such contracts or other agreements may be enforced by the officer or entity to which the responsibility for the enforcement of the provisions of the contract or other agreement has been transferred.
- 3. Any action taken by an officer or entity whose responsibilities have been transferred pursuant to the provisions of this act remain in effect as if taken by the officer or entity to which the responsibility for the enforcement of such actions has been transferred
- **Sec. 47.** The assets and liabilities of any fund or account transferred from the State Controller to the Director of the Office of Finance pursuant to the provisions of this act are unaffected by the transfer.
  - **Sec. 48.** The Legislative Counsel shall:
- 1. In preparing the Nevada Revised Statutes, use the authority set forth in subsection 10 of NRS 220.120 to substitute appropriately the name of any agency, officer or instrumentality of the State to which powers, duties and responsibilities have been transferred by this act for the name of the agency, officer or instrumentality which was previously vested with the same powers and charged with the same duties and responsibilities; and
- 2. In preparing supplements to the Nevada Administrative Code, substitute appropriately the name of any agency, officer or instrumentality of the State to which powers, duties and responsibilities have been transferred by this act for the name of the agency, officer or instrumentality which was previously vested with the same powers and charged with the same duties and responsibilities.
  - **Sec. 49.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2017.





