

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 58—COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

(ON BEHALF OF THE NEVADA LEAGUE OF
CITIES AND MUNICIPALITIES)

PREFILED NOVEMBER 16, 2022

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to regional commercial
air service in this State. (BDR 18-369)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: Contains Appropriation not included
in Executive Budget.

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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 economic development; providing that money
remaining in the Nevada Air Service Development Fund
does not revert to the State General Fund at the end of a
fiscal year; making an appropriation to the Nevada Air
Service Development Fund; making an appropriation to
the Fund for Aviation; and providing other matters
properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 Existing law creates the Nevada Air Service Development Commission, which
2 consists of the Executive Director of the Office of Economic Development in the
3 Office of the Governor and the members of the Commission on Tourism. (NRS
4 231.680) Existing law also creates the Nevada Air Service Development Fund and
5 requires the Commission to develop a program to make grants of money from the
6 Fund to air carriers that will service or provide enhanced air service routes that will
7 service certain airports in this State. (NRS 231.690, 231.710) **Section 1** of this bill
8 provides that money remaining in the Nevada Air Service Development Fund does
9 not revert to the State General Fund at the end of a fiscal year and must be carried
10 forward to the next fiscal year. **Section 2** of this bill makes an appropriation from
11 the State General Fund to the Nevada Air Service Development Fund in the amount
12 of \$5,000,000 for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 and \$5,000,000 for Fiscal Year
13 2024-2025.

14 Existing law creates the Fund for Aviation in the State Treasury and authorizes
15 the Director of the Department of Transportation to award grants to counties, cities
16 and other local governments, except for facilities owned or controlled by the Reno-
17 Tahoe Airport Authority or a county whose population is 700,000 or more



18 (currently Clark County) for the planning, establishment, development,
19 construction, enlargement, improvement or maintenance of any airport, landing
20 area or air navigation facility owned or controlled by the county, city or other local
21 government. (NRS 494.048) **Section 2.5** of this bill makes an appropriation to the
22 Fund for Aviation in the amount of \$1,000,000 for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 and
23 \$1,000,000 for Fiscal Year 2024-2025 for these purposes.

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

1 **Section 1.** NRS 231.690 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 231.690 1. There is hereby created as a special revenue fund
3 in the State Treasury the Nevada Air Service Development Fund.
4 *Any money in the Fund remaining at the end of a fiscal year does*
5 *not revert to the State General Fund, and the balance in the Fund*
6 *must be carried forward to the next fiscal year.*

7 2. The Commission may accept gifts, bequests, grants,
8 appropriations and donations from any source for deposit in the
9 Fund.

10 3. The money in the Fund must be invested as other state funds
11 are invested. All interest earned on the deposit or investment of the
12 money in the Fund, after deducting any applicable charges, must be
13 credited to the Fund. Claims against the Fund must be paid as other
14 claims against the State are paid.

15 4. The Commission may make grants of money from the Fund
16 to air carriers that satisfy the criteria set forth in NRS 231.710.

17 **Sec. 2.** There is hereby appropriated from the State General
18 Fund to the Nevada Air Service Development Fund created pursuant
19 to NRS 231.690 the following sums to make grants of money to air
20 carriers that satisfy the criteria set forth in NRS 231.710:

21 For the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 \$5,000,000
22 For the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 \$5,000,000

23 **Sec. 2.5.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State
24 General Fund to the Fund for Aviation created by NRS 494.048 the
25 following sums:

26 For the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 \$1,000,000
27 For the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 \$1,000,000

28 2. The money appropriated by subsection 1 must be used by
29 rural airports to match money that is available from the Federal
30 Aviation Administration.

31 **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2023.

