

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6–  
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Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Directs the Legislative Commission to create an interim committee to study the working conditions at licensed brothels. (BDR R-696)

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets [omitted-material] is material to be omitted.

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Directing the Legislative Commission to create an interim committee to study the working conditions at licensed brothels.

1 WHEREAS, It is unlawful for any person to engage in  
2 prostitution or the solicitation therefor, except in a licensed house of  
3 prostitution; and

4 WHEREAS, There are numerous licensed brothels operating  
5 within the boundaries of this State; and

6 WHEREAS, The regulations of the State Board of Health require  
7 sex workers in licensed brothels and prospective workers to be  
8 tested for the presence or absence of human immunodeficiency virus  
9 (HIV) and other sexually transmitted diseases; and

10 WHEREAS, The regulations of the Board include certain other  
11 requirements regarding licensed brothels related to public health and  
12 the control of communicable diseases; and

13 WHEREAS, The Nevada Legislature has an inherent interest in  
14 the health, safety and general welfare of all workers in the State,  
15 including sex workers in licensed brothels, and wishes to be well  
16 informed on these matters; now, therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE  
18 SENATE CONCURRING, That the Legislative Commission is hereby  
19 directed to appoint a committee to conduct an interim study  
20 concerning the health and well-being of workers at licensed  
21 brothels, as described herein, which is composed of:

- 22 1. Three members of the Assembly; and
- 23 2. Three members of the Senate; and be it further



1 RESOLVED, That the Legislative Commission shall designate  
2 one of the members appointed to the committee to serve as the Chair  
3 of the committee; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That the study must include, without limitation, an  
5 examination of:

6 1. The extent to which the rules and working conditions in  
7 licensed brothels provide for the health, safety and general welfare  
8 of sex workers in licensed brothels;

9 2. The ways in which contracts between sex workers in  
10 licensed brothels and brothel owners and operators protect the  
11 physical and mental health of those workers;

12 3. The adequacy of oversight and regulation by the State and  
13 licensing and law enforcement units of local government with  
14 respect to the health, safety and general welfare of workers in  
15 licensed brothels; and

16 4. Employment issues, including, without limitation, the  
17 classification of sex workers as employees versus independent  
18 contractors; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That the committee shall consult with and solicit the  
20 input of interested stakeholders, including, without limitation:

21 1. Units of local governments which licensed brothels;

22 2. Owners and operators of brothels;

23 3. Law enforcement agencies; and

24 4. Workers in licensed brothels; and be it further

25 RESOLVED, That any recommended legislation proposed by the  
26 committee must be approved by a majority of the members of the  
27 Senate and a majority of the members of the Assembly appointed to  
28 the committee; and be it further

29 RESOLVED, That the Legislative Commission submit a report of  
30 the results of the study and any ratified recommended legislation to  
31 the 81st Session of the Nevada Legislature; and be it further

32 RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and  
33 transmit a copy of this resolution to the State Board of Health and  
34 the governing bodies of those units of local government which  
35 license brothels in the State; and be it further

36 RESOLVED, That this resolution becomes effective upon  
37 passage.

