## SENATE BILL NO. 10–COMMITTEE ON GROWTH AND INFRASTRUCTURE

## (ON BEHALF OF THE STATE TREASURER)

## PREFILED NOVEMBER 16, 2022

Referred to Committee on Growth and Infrastructure

SUMMARY—Revises provisions related to the Nevada State Infrastructure Bank. (BDR 35-358)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State: Yes.

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

AN ACT relating to the Nevada State Infrastructure Bank; requiring the Bank to keep confidential certain information; removing the Bank from the Department of Transportation; revising provisions relating to the Board of Directors of the Bank; requiring the Office of the State Treasurer to provide staff assistance to the Bank upon request; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

## Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law establishes the Nevada State Infrastructure Bank within the Department of Transportation, the purpose of which is to provide loans and other financial assistance to qualified borrowers for the development, construction, repair, improvement, operation, maintenance, decommissioning and ownership of certain transportation facilities, utility infrastructure, water and wastewater infrastructure, renewable energy infrastructure, recycling and sustainability infrastructure, digital infrastructure, social infrastructure and other infrastructure related to economic development. (NRS 408.111, 408.55048-408.55088) Under existing law, the Bank is administered by and operates under the direction of a Board of Directors. (NRS 408.55069)

**Sections 1 and 15** of this bill require the Bank to keep confidential certain information which is submitted or disclosed to, or otherwise obtained by, the Bank, except under certain circumstances. **Section 10** of this bill authorizes the Board of Directors to hold a closed meeting or to close a portion of a meeting to receive, examine or consider information which the Bank is required to keep confidential. **Section 16** of this bill makes a conforming change to reflect that the Board of Directors is authorized to hold such closed meetings. **Sections 9, 12 and 13** of this





18 bill make conforming changes to indicate the proper placement of section 1 in the 19 Nevada Revised Statutes.

Section 10 provides that the State Treasurer or his or her designee serves as the Chair of the Board of Directors and removes the requirement that the Board of Directors annually elect a Chair.

20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 Sections 2 and 10 of this bill remove the Bank from the Department of Transportation. Sections 3-8 of this bill make conforming changes to reflect that the Bank is no longer within the Department. Section 14 of this bill requires the Office of the State Treasurer to provide staff assistance to the Bank at the request of the Board of Directors. Section 11 of this bill makes a conforming change relating

 $\overline{28}$ to the staffing of the Bank.

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

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 408 of NRS is hereby amended by adding 2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

Except as otherwise provided in subsections 2 and 3, the 3 Bank shall keep confidential any information that is: 4

5 (a) Submitted or disclosed to the Bank in an application for a 6 loan or other financial assistance;

7 (b) Submitted or disclosed to the Bank by another governmental entity in connection with a loan or other financial 8 9 assistance or an application for a loan or other financial 10 assistance:

11 (c) Required to be submitted or disclosed to the Bank and kept confidential pursuant to federal law; or 12

13 (d) Otherwise obtained by the Bank pursuant to this chapter or the regulations adopted pursuant thereto in connection with a 14 15 loan or other financial assistance or an application for a loan or 16 other financial assistance.

The Bank shall disclose the information set forth in 17 2. 18 subsection 1:

(a) Upon the lawful order of a court of competent jurisdiction; 19

20 (b) To any person upon the request of the person who is the 21 subject of the information; or

22 (c) In the course of the necessary administration of this 23 chapter.

3. The Bank may disclose the information set forth in 24 25 subsection 1 to an authorized agent of an agency of the United States Government, a state, a political subdivision of a state, a 26 foreign government or a political subdivision of a foreign 27 28 government which finances infrastructure projects.

4. A person seeking an order of a court of competent jurisdiction for the disclosure of information described in 29 30 31 subsection 1 must submit a motion in writing to the court





requesting the information. At least 10 days before submitting the 1 2 motion, the person must provide notice to the Bank, the Attorney General and all persons who may be affected by the disclosure of 3 4 the information. The notice must: 5 (a) Include, without limitation, a copy of the motion and all documents in support of the motion that are to be filed with the 6 7 court; and 8 (b) Be delivered in person or by certified mail to the last known 9 address of each person to whom notice must be provided. 10 **Sec. 2.** NRS 408.111 is hereby amended to read as follows: 408.111 1. The Department consists of a Director, three 11 12 Deputy Directors, a Chief Engineer and the following: 13 (a) Administrative Division. 14 (b) Operations Division. 15 (c) Engineering Division. 16 (d) Planning Division. 17 [(e) Nevada State Infrastructure Bank.] The head of a Division is an assistant director. Assistant 18 2. directors are in the unclassified service of the State. 19 20 **Sec. 3.** NRS 408.116 is hereby amended to read as follows: 21 408.116 [Except as otherwise provided in NRS 408.55048 to 22 408.55088, inclusive:] 23 All legal notices, writs, service and process issued or 1. 24 ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction wherein the Department 25 is named as a defendant must be personally served upon both the 26 Director and the Chair of the Board or, in the absence of the 27 Director and the Chair of the Board, the process must be served 28 personally upon both the Secretary of State and one of the Deputy 29 Directors. 30 2. All legal actions brought and defended by the Department 31 must be in the name of the State of Nevada on relation of its 32 Department. 33 3. This section is not a consent on the part of the Department to 34 be sued. 35 Sec. 4. NRS 408.131 is hereby amended to read as follows: 408.131 [Except as otherwise provided in NRS 408.55048 to 36 37 408.55088, inclusive, the] *The* Board shall: 38 1. Consider, at its meetings, all questions relating to the general 39 policy of the Department and transact such business as properly 40 comes before it. 41 2. Receive and consider, at such time as the Board selects, an 42 annual report by the Director. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 408.203, act for the 43 3. 44 Department in all matters relating to recommendations, reports and





1 such other matters as the Board finds advisable to submit to the 2 Legislature.

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4. Maintain a record of all proceedings of the Board.

4 5. Execute or approve all instruments and documents in the 5 name of the State or the Department necessary to carry out the 6 provisions of this chapter.

Except as otherwise provided in NRS 408.389, delegate to 7 6. the Director such authority as it deems necessary under the 8 9 provisions of this chapter.

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7. Act by resolution, vote or order entered in its records.

Sec. 5. NRS 408.172 is hereby amended to read as follows:

12 408.172 Subject to the approval of the Board, the Attorney 1. 13 General shall, immediately upon request by the Board, appoint an 14 attorney at law as the Chief Counsel of the Department, and such 15 assistant attorneys as are necessary. Attorneys so appointed are 16 deputy attorneys general.

Except as otherwise provided in NRS 408.55048 to 17 2. 408.55088, inclusive, the] The Chief Counsel shall act as the 18 attorney and legal adviser of the Department in all actions, 19 proceedings, hearings and all matters relating to the Department and 20 21 to the powers and duties of its officers.

22 Under the direction of or in the absence of the Chief 3. 23 Counsel, the assistant attorneys may perform any duty required or 24 permitted by law to be performed by the Chief Counsel.

25 4. The Chief Counsel and assistant attorneys are in the 26 unclassified service of the State.

[Except as otherwise provided in NRS 408.55048 to 27 5. 28 408.55088, inclusive, all All contracts, instruments and documents 29 executed by the Department must be first approved and endorsed as 30 to legality and form by the Chief Counsel.

- **Sec. 6.** NRS 408.175 is hereby amended to read as follows: 31
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408.175 1. The Director shall:

33 (a) Appoint one Deputy Director who in the absence, inability or failure of the Director has full authority to perform any duty 34 35 required or permitted by law to be performed by the Director.

36 (b) Appoint one Deputy Director for southern Nevada whose principal office must be located in an urban area in southern 37 38 Nevada.

39 (c) Appoint one Deputy Director with full authority to perform 40 any duty required or allowed by law to be performed by the Director 41 to implement, manage, oversee and enforce any environmental 42 program of the Department.

(d) [Except as otherwise provided in NRS 408.55071, employ] 43 44 *Employ* such engineers, engineering and technical assistants, clerks 45 and other personnel as in the Director's judgment may be necessary





1 to the proper conduct of the Department and to carry out the 2 provisions of this chapter.

3 Except as otherwise provided in NRS 284.143, the Deputy 2. 4 Directors shall devote their entire time and attention to the business 5 of the office and shall not pursue any other business or occupation 6 or hold any other office of profit.

7 The Director may delegate such authority as may be 3. 8 necessary for the Deputy Director appointed pursuant to paragraph 9 (b) of subsection 1 to carry out his or her duties.

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NRS 408.215 is hereby amended to read as follows: Sec. 7.

The Director has charge of all the records of the 11 408.215 1. 12 Department, keeping records of all proceedings pertaining to the 13 Department and keeping on file information, plans, specifications, 14 estimates, statistics and records prepared by the Department, [except 15 as otherwise provided in NRS 408.55048 to 408.55088, inclusive, 16 and except those financial statements described in NRS 408.333 17 and the financial or proprietary information described in paragraph (c) of subsection 6 of NRS 408.3886, which must not become 18 19 matters of public record.

20 2. The Director may photograph, film, place an image of on 21 microfilm, save as an image in an electronic recordkeeping system 22 or dispose of the records of the Department referred to in subsection 23 1 as provided in NRS 239.051, 239.080 and 239.085.

24 3. The Director shall maintain an index or record of deeds or other references of title or interests in and to all lands or interests in 25 26 land owned or acquired by the Department.

27 The Director shall adopt such regulations as may be 4. 28 necessary to carry out and enforce the provisions of this chapter. 29

Sec. 8. NRS 408.389 is hereby amended to read as follows:

30 408.389 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, [and NRS 408.55048 to 408.55088, inclusive,] the Department shall 31 32 not purchase any equipment which exceeds \$50,000, unless the 33 purchase is first approved by the Board.

34 Before the Board may approve the purchase of any mobile 2. 35 equipment which exceeds \$50,000, the Department shall:

36 (a) Prepare and present to the Board an analysis of the costs and 37 benefits, including, without limitation, all related personnel costs, that are associated with: 38

39 (1) Purchasing, operating and maintaining the same item of 40 equipment;

41 (2) Leasing, operating and maintaining the same item of 42 mobile equipment; or

43 (3) Contracting for the performance of the work which would 44 have been performed using the mobile equipment; and

45 (b) Justify the need for the purchase based on that analysis.





1 3. The Board shall not:

2 (a) Delegate to the Director its authority to approve purchases of 3 equipment pursuant to subsection 1; or

4 (b) Approve any purchase of mobile equipment which exceeds 5 \$50,000 and for which the Department is unable to provide 6 justification pursuant to subsection 2.

7 Sec. 9. NRS 408.55048 is hereby amended to read as follows:

8 408.55048 As used in NRS 408.55048 to 408.55088, inclusive, 9 *and section 1 of this act*, unless the context otherwise requires, the 10 words and terms defined in NRS 408.55049 to 408.550685, 11 inclusive, have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

12 Sec. 10. NRS 408.55069 is hereby amended to read as 13 follows:

14 408.55069 1. The Nevada State Infrastructure Bank is hereby 15 created. [within the Department.]

16 2. The purpose of the Bank is to provide loans and other 17 financial assistance to qualified borrowers for the development, 18 construction, repair, improvement, operation, maintenance. decommissioning and ownership of transportation facilities, utility 19 20 infrastructure, water and wastewater infrastructure, renewable 21 energy infrastructure, recycling and sustainability infrastructure, 22 digital infrastructure, social infrastructure and other infrastructure 23 related to economic development as necessary for public purposes.

3. The Bank is administered by and operates under the direction of a Board of Directors consisting of:

(a) [The Director of the Department of Transportation or his or
 her designee;

(b)] The State Treasurer or his or her designee [;], who shall
 serve as Chair of the Board of Directors;

30 (b) The Director of the Department of Transportation or his or 31 her designee;

(c) The Director of the Department of Business and Industry or
 his or her designee;

34 (d) The Executive Director of the Office of Economic35 Development or his or her designee;

(e) The Director of the Office of Energy or his or her designee;
 and

(f) Two representatives of the general public, at least one of
whom must reside in a county whose population is 700,000 or more,
appointed by the Governor.

41 4. Each member of the Board of Directors who is appointed 42 pursuant to subsection 3 serves at the pleasure of the appointing 43 authority.





1 5. A vacancy on the Board of Directors in an appointed 2 position must be filled by the appointing authority in the same 3 manner as the original appointment.

6. The Board of Directors shall elect annually from among its
5 members [a Chair and] a Vice Chair.

Four members of the Board of Directors constitute a quorum
for the transaction of business, and the affirmative vote of at least
four members of the Board of Directors is required to take action.

9 8. The members of the Board of Directors are public officers 10 and are subject to all applicable provisions of law, including, 11 without limitation, the provisions of chapter 281A of NRS.

12 9. A meeting of the Board of Directors must be conducted in 13 accordance with the provisions of chapter 241 of NRS [.], except 14 that the Board of Directors may hold a closed meeting or close a 15 portion of a meeting to receive, examine or consider information 16 which the Bank is required to keep confidential pursuant to 17 section 1 of this act.

18 10. Each member of the Board of Directors who is not 19 otherwise an officer or employee of this State is entitled:

20 (a) To receive \$100 for each full day of attending a meeting of 21 the Board of Directors; and

(b) While engaged in the business of the Board of Directors, to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally. The per diem allowance and travel expenses provided to a member of the Board of Directors who is an officer or employee of this State or a political subdivision of this State must be paid by the state agency or political subdivision that employs him or her.

29 11. A member of the Board of Directors who is an officer or 30 employee of this State or a political subdivision of this State must be 31 relieved from his or her duties without loss of regular compensation 32 so that he or she may prepare for and attend meetings of the Board 33 of Directors and perform any work necessary to carry out the duties 34 of the Board of Directors in the most timely manner practicable. A 35 state agency or political subdivision of this State shall not require an 36 officer or employee who is a member of the Board of Directors to:

(a) Make up the time the member is absent from work to carryout his or her duties as a member of the Board of Directors; or

39 (b) Take annual leave or compensatory time for the absence.

40 Sec. 11. NRS 408.55071 is hereby amended to read as 41 follows:

42 408.55071 1. The Board of Directors may:

(a) Make, and from time to time amend and repeal, bylaws not
 inconsistent with NRS 408.55048 to 408.55088, inclusive, *and section 1 of this act*, to carry into effect the powers and purposes of





1 NRS 408.55048 to 408.55088, inclusive [-], and section 1 of this 2 act.

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(b) Sue and be sued in the name of the Bank.

4 (c) Have a seal and alter the same at the pleasure of the Board of 5 Directors, but the failure to affix the seal does not affect the validity 6 of an instrument executed on behalf of the Bank.

7 (d) Make loans to qualified borrowers to finance all or part of 8 the eligible costs of a qualified project.

9 (e) Provide qualified borrowers with other financial assistance 10 necessary to defray all or part of the eligible costs of a qualified 11 project.

12 (f) Acquire, hold and sell loan obligations at such prices and in 13 such a manner as the Board of Directors deems advisable.

(g) Enter into contracts, arrangements and agreements with
qualified borrowers and other persons and execute and deliver all
financing agreements and other instruments necessary or convenient
to carry out the powers and duties of the Board of Directors.

(h) Enter into agreements with a department, agency or
instrumentality of the United States or governmental unit of this
State or another state for the purpose of providing for the financing
of qualified projects.

(i) Establish:

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(1) Policies and procedures to govern the selection of
 qualified projects and the issuance and administration of loans and
 other financial assistance provided by the Bank; and

26 (2) Fiscal controls and accounting procedures to ensure 27 proper accounting and reporting by the Bank and qualified 28 borrowers.

(j) Acquire, by purchase, lease, donation or other lawful means,
 real or personal property and any interest therein.

(k) Sell, convey, pledge, lease, exchange, transfer and dispose of
all or any part of the property and assets of the Bank.

(1) Procure insurance, guarantees, letters of credit and other
forms of collateral or security or credit support for the payment of
bonds or other securities issued by the Bank and the payment of
premiums or fees on such insurance, guarantees, letters of credit and
other forms of collateral or security or credit support.

(m) Collect or authorize the trustee under any trust indenture that secures any bonds or other securities issued by the Bank to collect amounts due from a qualified borrower under any loan obligation owned by the Bank, including, without limitation, taking any lawful action required to obtain payment of any sums in default.

(n) Unless restricted by the terms of an agreement with the
 holders of bonds or other securities issued by the Bank, consent to
 any modification of the terms of any loan obligations owned by the





1 Bank, including, without limitation, the rate of interest, period of 2 repayment and payment of any installment of principal or interest.

3 (o) Borrow money through the issuance of bonds and other 4 securities as provided in NRS 408.55048 to 408.55088, inclusive [.] 5 , and section 1 of this act.

6 (p) Incur expenses to obtain accounting, management, legal or 7 financial consulting and other professional services necessary to the 8 operations of the Bank.

9 (q) To the extent that money is available from public or private 10 sources of administrative costs, pay any costs incurred for the 11 administration of the operations of the Bank.

(r) Establish advisory committees, which may include persons
 from the private sector with civil engineering, banking and financial
 expertise.

(s) Procure insurance against losses in connection with the
Bank's property, assets or activities, including, without limitation,
insurance against liability for any act of the Bank or its employees
or agents, or establish cash reserves to enable the Bank to act as a
self-insurer against such losses.

20 (t) Impose and collect fees and charges in connection with the 21 activities of the Bank.

(u) Apply for, receive and accept from any source aid grants or
 contributions of money, property, labor or other things of value to
 be used to carry out the statutory purposes and powers of the Bank.

25 (v) Enter into contracts, arrangements or agreements for the 26 servicing and processing of financial agreements.

(w) Accept and hold, with payment of interest, money depositedwith the Bank.

(x) Request technical advice, support and assistance [from the divisions of the Department.] pursuant to NRS 408.55088.

31 (y) Do all other things necessary or convenient to exercise any 32 power granted or reasonably implied by NRS 408.55048 to 33 408.55088, inclusive [-], and section 1 of this act.

2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 408.55048 to 408.55088, inclusive, *and section 1 of this act*, the Bank may exercise any fiscal power granted to the Bank in NRS 408.55048 to 408.55088, inclusive, *and section 1 of this act* without the review or approval of any other department, division or agency of the State or any political subdivision thereof, except for the Board of Directors.

40 3. In exercising the powers and performing the functions set 41 forth in NRS 408.55048 to 408.55088, inclusive, *and section 1 of* 42 *this act*, the members of the Board of Directors:

(a) Must act in a commercially reasonable manner and in theinterests of this State. For the purposes of this paragraph, theinterests of this State include, without limitation, the public welfare





and economy of this State and the long-term and short-term interests
 of this State.

3 (b) May, unless a member of the Board of Directors has 4 knowledge concerning a matter in question that would cause 5 reliance thereon to be unwarranted, rely on information, opinions, 6 reports, books of account or statements, including, without 7 limitation, financial statements and other financial data, that are 8 prepared or presented by:

9 (1) One or more members of the Board of Directors or 10 officers or employees of the Bank reasonably believed to be reliable 11 and competent in the matters prepared or presented;

12 (2) Counsel, public accountants, financial advisers, valuation 13 advisers, investment bankers, engineers, architects or other persons 14 as to matters reasonably believed to be within the professional or 15 expert competence of the preparer or presenter; or

16 (3) A committee on which the director or officer relying 17 thereon does not serve, as to matters within the designated authority 18 of the committee and matters on which the committee is reasonably 19 believed to merit confidence.

4. This section does not authorize the Bank to be or conduct business as a:

(a) Bank or trust company within the jurisdiction of chapters
657 to 671, inclusive, of NRS or under the control of an agency of
the United States or this State; or

(b) Bank, banker or dealer in securities within the meaning of,
or subject to the provisions of, any securities, securities exchange or
securities dealers' laws of the United States or of this State.

5. The Bank must, before accepting a deposit from any person or governmental unit, provide a notice to the depositor stating that the deposit is not insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

6. The provisions of titles 55 and 57 of NRS do not apply to the Bank.

34 Sec. 12. NRS 408.55081 is hereby amended to read as 35 follows:

408.55081 The Board of Directors and any member thereof, and any officer, employee, agent or committee member of the Bank is not liable in a civil action for any act performed on behalf of the Bank in good faith and within the scope of their duties or the exercise of their authority pursuant to NRS 408.55048 to 408.55088, inclusive [.], *and section 1 of this act.* 

42 Sec. 13. NRS 408.55086 is hereby amended to read as 43 follows:

44 408.55086 1. To the extent possible, the provisions of NRS 45 408.55048 to 408.55088, inclusive, *and section 1 of this act* are





1 intended to supplement other statutory provisions governing the 2 development, construction, repair, improvement, maintenance. decommissioning, operation and ownership of transportation 3 facilities, utility infrastructure, water and wastewater infrastructure, 4 5 renewable energy infrastructure, recycling and sustainability infrastructure, digital infrastructure, social infrastructure or other 6 7 infrastructure related to economic development and the issuance of 8 bonds and other securities by this State or a political subdivision 9 thereof, and such other provisions must be given effect to the extent that those provisions do not conflict with the provisions of NRS 10 408.55048 to 408.55088, inclusive [-], and section 1 of this act. If 11 12 there is a conflict between such other provisions and the provisions 13 of NRS 408.55048 to 408.55088, inclusive, and section 1 of this 14 *act*, the provisions of NRS 408.55048 to 408.55088, inclusive, *and* 15 section 1 of this act control.

The provisions of NRS 338.013 to 338.090, inclusive, apply 16 2. 17 to any contract for construction work on a qualified project if all or 18 part of the costs of the qualified project are paid for using a loan or other financial assistance from the Bank. The Bank, the qualified 19 20 borrower, any contractor who is awarded a contract or enters into an 21 agreement to perform construction work on the qualified project, 22 and any subcontractor who performs any portion of the construction 23 work shall comply with the provisions of NRS 338.013 to 338.090, 24 inclusive, in the same manner as if a public body had undertaken the 25 qualified project or had awarded the contract.

26 Sec. 14. NRS 408.55088 is hereby amended to read as 27 follows:

28 408.55088 1. Any division of the Department of 29 Transportation, the Department of Business and Industry, the Office 30 of Economic Development, the State Department of Conservation 31 and Natural Resources, [the Office of the State Treasurer,] the 32 Office of Energy or any other governmental unit may, to the extent 33 that money is available for that purpose, provide technical advice, support and assistance to the Bank  $\square$ , *including*, *without* 34 35 *limitation, the Board of Directors.* 

36 2. The Office of the State Treasurer shall provide staff 37 assistance to the Bank, including, without limitation, the Board of 38 Directors, upon a request of the Board of Directors.

39 Sec. 15. NRS 239.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

40 239.010 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section and 41 NRS 1.4683, 1.4687, 1A.110, 3.2203, 41.0397, 41.071, 49.095, 42 49.293, 62D.420, 62D.440, 62E.516, 62E.620, 62H.025, 62H.030, 43 62H.170, 62H.220, 62H.320, 75A.100, 75A.150, 76.160, 78.152, 44 80.113, 81.850, 82.183, 86.246, 86.54615, 87.515, 87.5413, 45 87A.200, 87A.580, 87A.640, 88.3355, 88.5927, 88.6067, 88A.345,





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1 may be used in any other way to the advantage of the governmental 2 entity or of the general public. This section does not supersede or in 3 any manner affect the federal laws governing copyrights or enlarge, 4 diminish or affect in any other manner the rights of a person in any 5 written book or record which is copyrighted pursuant to federal law.

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A governmental entity may not reject a book or record 2. 7 which is copyrighted solely because it is copyrighted.

8 3. A governmental entity that has legal custody or control of a 9 public book or record shall not deny a request made pursuant to subsection 1 to inspect or copy or receive a copy of a public book or 10 record on the basis that the requested public book or record contains 11 12 information that is confidential if the governmental entity can 13 redact, delete, conceal or separate, including, without limitation, 14 electronically, the confidential information from the information 15 included in the public book or record that is not otherwise 16 confidential.

17 4. If requested, a governmental entity shall provide a copy of a public record in an electronic format by means of an electronic 18 19 medium. Nothing in this subsection requires a governmental entity 20 to provide a copy of a public record in an electronic format or by 21 means of an electronic medium if:

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(1) Was not created or prepared in an electronic format; and

(2) Is not available in an electronic format; or

(a) The public record:

25 (b) Providing the public record in an electronic format or by 26 means of an electronic medium would:

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(1) Give access to proprietary software; or

28 (2) Require the production of information that is confidential 29 and that cannot be redacted, deleted, concealed or separated from 30 information that is not otherwise confidential.

31 5. An officer, employee or agent of a governmental entity who 32 has legal custody or control of a public record:

33 (a) Shall not refuse to provide a copy of that public record in the medium that is requested because the officer, employee or agent has 34 35 already prepared or would prefer to provide the copy in a different 36 medium.

37 (b) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 239.030, shall, upon 38 request, prepare the copy of the public record and shall not require 39 the person who has requested the copy to prepare the copy himself 40 or herself.

41 Sec. 16. NRS 241.016 is hereby amended to read as follows:

42 241.016 The meetings of a public body that are quasi-1. 43 judicial in nature are subject to the provisions of this chapter.

44 2. The following are exempt from the requirements of this 45 chapter:





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1 (a) The Legislature of the State of Nevada.

2 (b) Judicial proceedings, including, without limitation, 3 proceedings before the Commission on Judicial Selection and, 4 except as otherwise provided in NRS 1.4687, the Commission on 5 Judicial Discipline.

6 (c) Meetings of the State Board of Parole Commissioners when 7 acting to grant, deny, continue or revoke the parole of a prisoner or 8 to establish or modify the terms of the parole of a prisoner.

Any provision of law, including, without limitation, NRS 9 3. 10 91.270. 219A.210, 228.495, 239C.140, 239C.420, 241.028, 281A.350, 281A.690, 281A.735, 281A.760, 284.3629, 286.150, 11 287.0415, 287.04345, 287.338, 288.220, 288.590, 289.387, 295.121, 12 315.98425, 360.247, 388.261, 388.385, 388A.495, 388C.150, 388D.355, 388G.710, 388G.730, 392.147, 392.466, 392.467, 13 14 392.4671, 394.1699, 396.1415, 396.3295, 408.55069, 414.270, 15 422.405, 433.534, 435.610, 442.774, 463.110, 480.545, 622.320, 16 17 622.340, 630.311, 630.336, 631.3635, 639.050, 642.518, 642.557, 18 686B.170, 696B.550, 703.196 and 706.1725, which:

(a) Provides that any meeting, hearing or other proceeding is notsubject to the provisions of this chapter; or

(b) Otherwise authorizes or requires a closed meeting, hearingor proceeding,

23  $\rightarrow$  prevails over the general provisions of this chapter.

4. The exceptions provided to this chapter, and electronic communication, must not be used to circumvent the spirit or letter of this chapter to deliberate or act, outside of an open and public meeting, upon a matter over which the public body has supervision, control, jurisdiction or advisory powers.

29 Sec. 17. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2023.

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