

SENATE BILL NO. 507—COMMITTEE ON
LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS

MARCH 27, 2017

Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Revises the interim committee structure of the
Legislature. (BDR 17-1126)

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

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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 the Legislature; providing for the establishment
of Joint Interim Standing Committees of the Legislature;
specifying the powers and duties of the Joint Interim
Standing Committees; repealing various statutory
committees; assigning certain powers and duties of
repealed statutory committees to the Joint Interim
Standing Committees; making various other changes
relating to interim legislative activity; and providing other
matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Existing law establishes various committees on which Legislators serve
2 throughout the biennium. (Chapter 218E of NRS, NRS 176.0123, 209.4817,
3 439B.200, 459.0085, 482.367004) This bill would repeal several of those
4 committees and establish Joint Interim Standing Committees that parallel standing
5 committees established by the Legislature during its biennial regular sessions.
6 **Section 6** of this bill establishes the Joint Interim Standing Committees and
7 specifies their structure. **Section 7** of this bill provides for meetings of the
8 Committees. **Section 8** of this bill authorizes the Committees to review matters
9 within the jurisdiction of their corresponding standing committees and to conduct
10 studies directed by the Legislature and the Legislative Commission, and requires
11 the Committees to report to each session of the Legislature. **Section 9** of this bill
12 makes the sections of existing law governing the supplemental powers of interim
13 committees applicable to the Joint Interim Standing Committees. **Section 47** of this
14 bill transfers the responsibilities of the Legislative Committee on Health Care to the
15 Joint Interim Standing Committee on Health and Human Services. **Section 51** of
16 this bill modifies the composition of the Commission on Special License Plates to
17 include the members of the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Transportation,
18 with the three nonvoting members remaining on the Commission. **Section 55** of



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19 this bill repeals the Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice, the
20 Committee on Industrial Programs, the Legislative Commission's standing
21 committee to consult with the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau, the
22 Legislative Committee on Public Lands, the Legislative Committee on Education,
23 the Legislative Committee on Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice, the Legislative
24 Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults with Special Needs, the
25 Legislative Committee on Energy, the Legislative Committee on Health Care and
26 the Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste.

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

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 218A of NRS is hereby amended by
2 adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 ***"Joint Interim Standing Committee" means a Joint Interim***
4 ***Standing Committee created by section 6 of this act.***

5 **Sec. 2.** NRS 218A.003 is hereby amended to read as follows:

6 218A.003 As used in this title, unless the context otherwise
7 requires, the words and terms defined in NRS 218A.006 to
8 218A.090, inclusive, ***and section 1 of this act*** have the meanings
9 ascribed to them in those sections.

10 **Sec. 3.** NRS 218D.130 is hereby amended to read as follows:

11 218D.130 1. On July 1 preceding each regular session, and
12 each week thereafter until the adjournment of the Legislature sine
13 die, the Legislative Counsel shall prepare a list of all requests
14 received by the Legislative Counsel for the drafting of legislative
15 measures for the regular session.

16 2. The Legislative Counsel Bureau shall make copies of the list
17 available to the public for a reasonable sum fixed by the Director.

18 3. In preparing the list:

19 (a) The requests must be listed numerically by a unique serial
20 number which must be assigned to the legislative measures by the
21 Legislative Counsel for the purposes of identification in the order
22 that the Legislative Counsel received the requests.

23 (b) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the list must
24 only contain the name of each requester, the date and a brief
25 summary of the request.

26 (c) If a standing or special committee of the Legislature ,
27 ***including a Joint Interim Standing Committee***, requests a
28 legislative measure on behalf of a Legislator or organization, the list
29 must include:

30 (1) The name of the ~~standing or special~~ committee; and
31 (2) The name of the Legislator or organization on whose
32 behalf the legislative measure was originally requested.

33 4. Upon the request of a Legislator who has requested the
34 drafting of a legislative measure, the Legislative Counsel shall add



1 the name of one or more other Legislators from either or both
2 Houses as joint requesters of the legislative measure. The
3 Legislative Counsel:

4 (a) Shall not add the name of a joint requester to the list until the
5 Legislative Counsel has received confirmation of the joint request
6 from the primary requester of the legislative measure and from the
7 Legislator to be added as a joint requester.

8 (b) Shall remove the name of a joint requester upon receipt of a
9 request to do so made by the primary requester or the joint
10 requester.

11 (c) Shall cause the names to appear on the list in the order in
12 which the names were received by the Legislative Counsel
13 beginning with the primary requester.

14 (d) Shall not act upon the direction of a joint requester to
15 withdraw the requested legislative measure or modify its substance
16 until the Legislative Counsel has received confirmation of the
17 withdrawal or modification from the primary requester.

18 5. If the primary requester of a legislative measure will not be
19 returning to the Legislature for the regular session in which the
20 legislative measure is to be considered:

21 (a) The primary requester may authorize a Legislator who will
22 be serving during that regular session to become the primary
23 sponsor of the legislative measure, either individually or as the chair
24 on behalf of a standing committee.

25 (b) A Legislator who agrees to become or have the committee
26 become the primary sponsor of the legislative measure shall notify
27 the Legislative Counsel of that fact.

28 (c) Upon receipt of such notification, the Legislative Counsel
29 shall list the name of that Legislator or the name of the committee as
30 the primary requester of the legislative measure on the list.

31 6. For the purposes of all limitations on the number of
32 legislative measures that may be requested by a Legislator:

33 (a) A legislative measure with joint requesters must only be
34 counted as a request of the primary requester.

35 (b) A legislative measure for which a Legislator or standing
36 committee becomes the primary sponsor pursuant to subsection 5
37 must be counted as a request of that Legislator or committee.

38 **Sec. 4.** NRS 218D.160 is hereby amended to read as follows:

39 218D.160 1. The Chair of the Legislative Commission may
40 request the drafting of not more than 10 legislative measures before
41 the first day of a regular session, with the approval of the Legislative
42 Commission, which relate to the affairs of the Legislature or its
43 employees, including legislative measures requested by the
44 legislative staff.



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2. The Chair of the Interim Finance Committee may request the drafting of not more than 10 legislative measures before the first day of a regular session, with the approval of the Committee, which relate to matters within the scope of the Committee.

3. Except as otherwise provided by a specific statute, joint rule or concurrent resolution ~~of the~~ **of the Legislature:**

(a) ***A Joint Interim Standing Committee may request the drafting of not more than 10 legislative measures which relate to matters within the scope of the Committee.***

(b) Any legislative committee created by a statute, other than an interim legislative committee, may request the drafting of not more than 10 legislative measures which relate to matters within the scope of the committee.

~~(b)~~ (c) Any committee or subcommittee established by an order of the Legislative Commission pursuant to NRS 218E.200 may request the drafting of not more than 5 legislative measures which relate to matters within the scope of the study or investigation, except that such a committee or subcommittee may request the drafting of additional legislative measures if the Legislative Commission approves each additional request by a majority vote.

~~(c)~~ (d) Any other committee established by the Legislature which conducts an interim legislative study or investigation may request the drafting of not more than 5 legislative measures which relate to matters within the scope of the study or investigation.

➤ The requests authorized pursuant to this subsection must be submitted to the Legislative Counsel on or before September 1 preceding a regular session unless the Legislative Commission authorizes submitting a request after that date.

4. Each request made pursuant to this section must be on a form prescribed by the Legislative Counsel.

5. The Legislative Counsel shall not assign a number to a request for the drafting of a legislative measure submitted pursuant to this section to establish the priority of the request until sufficient detail has been received to allow complete drafting of the legislative measure.

Sec. 5. Chapter 218E of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 6, 7 and 8 of this act.

Sec. 6. 1. *There are hereby created the following Joint Interim Standing Committees of the Legislature:*

(a) ***Commerce, Labor and Energy;***

(b) ***Education;***

(c) ***Government Affairs;***

(d) ***Health and Human Services;***

(e) ***Judiciary;***



- (f) Legislative Operations and Elections;*
- (g) Natural Resources, Agriculture and Mining;*
- (h) Revenue and Taxation; and*
- (i) Transportation.*

2. Each Joint Interim Standing Committee consists of eight regular members and five alternate members. As soon as is practicable following the adjournment of each regular session of the Legislature:

(a) The Speaker of the Assembly shall appoint three members of the Assembly as regular members of each Committee and two members of the Assembly as alternate members of each Committee.

(b) The Minority Leader of the Assembly shall appoint two members of the Assembly as regular members of each Committee and one member of the Assembly as an alternate member of each Committee.

(c) The Majority Leader of the Senate shall appoint two Senators as regular members of each Committee and one Senator as an alternate member of each Committee.

(d) The Minority Leader of the Senate shall appoint one Senator as a regular member of each Committee and one Senator as an alternate member of each Committee

3. Before making their respective appointments, the Speaker of the Assembly, the Majority Leader of the Senate and the Minority Leaders of the Senate and Assembly shall consult so that, to the extent practicable:

(a) At least five regular members appointed to each Joint Interim Standing Committee served on the corresponding standing committee or committees during the preceding regular session of the Legislature.

(b) Not more than five regular members appointed to each Joint Interim Standing Committee are members of the same political party.

4. The Legislative Commission shall select the Chair and Vice Chair of each Joint Interim Standing Committee from among the members of the Committee. The Chair must be appointed from one House of the Legislature and the Vice Chair from the other House. The position of Chair must alternate each biennium between the Houses of the Legislature. Each of those officers holds the position until a successor is appointed following the next regular session of the Legislature. If a vacancy occurs in the position of Chair or Vice Chair, the vacancy must be filled in the same manner as the original selection for the remainder of the unexpired term.



1 5. *The membership of any member of a Joint Interim*
2 *Standing Committee who does not become a candidate for*
3 *reelection or who is defeated for reelection terminates on the day*
4 *next after the general election. The Speaker designate of the*
5 *Assembly or the Majority Leader designate of the Senate, as*
6 *the case may be, may appoint a member to fill the vacancy for the*
7 *remainder of the unexpired term.*

8 6. *Vacancies on a Joint Interim Standing Committee must be*
9 *filled in the same manner as original appointments.*

10 Sec. 7. 1. *Except as otherwise ordered by the Legislative*
11 *Commission, the members of a Joint Interim Standing Committee*
12 *shall meet not earlier than November 1 of each odd-numbered*
13 *year and not later than August 31 of the following even-numbered*
14 *year at the times and places specified by a call of the Chair or a*
15 *majority of the Committee.*

16 2. *The Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau or his or*
17 *her designee shall act as the nonvoting recording Secretary of*
18 *each Joint Interim Standing Committee.*

19 3. *Five members of a Joint Interim Standing Committee*
20 *constitute a quorum, and a quorum may exercise all the power*
21 *and authority conferred on a Committee, except that any*
22 *recommended legislation proposed by a Committee must be*
23 *approved by a majority of members of the Senate and a majority of*
24 *members of the Assembly serving on the Committee.*

25 4. *Except during a regular or special session of the*
26 *Legislature, for each day or portion of a day during which a*
27 *member of a Joint Interim Standing Committee attends a meeting*
28 *of the Committee or is otherwise engaged in the work of the*
29 *Committee, the member is entitled to receive the:*

30 (a) *Compensation provided for a majority of the members of*
31 *the Legislature during the first 60 days of the preceding regular*
32 *session;*

33 (b) *Per diem allowance provided for state officers and*
34 *employees generally; and*

35 (c) *Travel expenses provided pursuant to NRS 218A.655.*

36 ➤ *The compensation, per diem allowances and travel expenses of*
37 *the members of a Committee must be paid from the Legislative*
38 *Fund.*

39 Sec. 8. 1. *A Joint Interim Standing Committee may:*

40 (a) *Evaluate and review issues within the jurisdiction of the*
41 *corresponding standing committee or committees from the*
42 *preceding regular session of the Legislature;*

43 (b) *Exercise any of the investigative powers set forth in NRS*
44 *218E.105 to 218E.140, inclusive; and*



1 (c) *Within the limits of the Committee's budget, conduct*
2 *studies directed by the Legislature or the Legislative Commission.*

3 2. *The Legislative Commission shall review and approve the*
4 *budget and work program of each Joint Interim Standing*
5 *Committee and any changes to the budget or work program.*

6 3. *A Joint Interim Standing Committee shall prepare a*
7 *comprehensive report of the Committee's activities in the interim*
8 *and its findings and any recommendations for proposed*
9 *legislation. The report must be submitted to the Director of the*
10 *Legislative Counsel Bureau for distribution to the ensuing session*
11 *of the Legislature.*

12 **Sec. 9.** NRS 218E.110 is hereby amended to read as follows:

13 218E.110 1. "Committee" means the Legislative
14 Commission, *a Joint Interim Standing Committee* and any other
15 legislative committee or subcommittee created by a specific statute,
16 concurrent resolution or order of the Legislative Commission to
17 conduct studies or investigations or perform any other legislative
18 business during the legislative interim.

19 2. The term does not include any legislative committee or
20 subcommittee appointed by the Legislature or either House to
21 conduct or perform legislative business during a regular or special
22 session, including, without limitation, any joint, standing,
23 temporary, special or select committee or committee of the whole.

24 **Sec. 10.** NRS 218E.185 is hereby amended to read as follows:

25 218E.185 1. In the discharge of any duty imposed or power
26 conferred by this title or any law or resolution, the Legislative
27 Commission may exercise any of the investigative powers set forth
28 in NRS 218E.105 to 218E.140, inclusive.

29 2. The Legislative Commission may delegate its authority
30 pursuant to subsection 1 to a subcommittee or interim or special
31 committee, *including a Joint Interim Standing Committee,*
32 established pursuant to NRS 218E.200.

33 **Sec. 11.** NRS 218E.200 is hereby amended to read as follows:

34 218E.200 1. The Legislative Commission may conduct
35 studies or investigations concerning governmental problems,
36 important issues of public policy or questions of statewide interest
37 *or may assign such studies or investigations to a Joint Interim*
38 *Standing Committee.*

39 2. The Legislative Commission may establish subcommittees
40 and interim or special committees as official agencies of the
41 Legislative Counsel Bureau to conduct such studies or
42 investigations or otherwise to deal with such governmental
43 problems, important issues of public policy or questions of
44 statewide interest *or may assign such matters to a Joint Interim*
45 *Standing Committee.* The subcommittees and interim or special



1 committees may exercise any of the investigative powers set forth in
2 NRS 218E.105 to 218E.140, inclusive.

3 3. The membership of ~~the~~ *any* subcommittees and interim or
4 special committees ~~+~~ *established pursuant to subsection 2:*

5 (a) Must be designated by the Legislative Commission; and

6 (b) May consist of members of the Legislative Commission and
7 Legislators other than members of the Legislative Commission,
8 employees of the State of Nevada or citizens of the State of Nevada.

9 4. For each day or portion of a day during which *the* members
10 of ~~the~~ *any* subcommittees and interim or special committees
11 *established pursuant to subsection 2* who are not Legislators attend
12 meetings or are otherwise engaged in the business of the
13 subcommittees and interim or special committees, the members:

14 (a) Shall serve without salary.

15 (b) Are entitled to receive out of the Legislative Fund the per
16 diem allowances and travel expenses provided for state officers and
17 employees generally.

18 5. Except during a regular or special session, for each day or
19 portion of a day during which *the* members of ~~the~~ *any*
20 subcommittees and interim or special committees *established*
21 *pursuant to subsection 2* who are Legislators attend meetings of the
22 subcommittees and interim or special committees or are otherwise
23 engaged in the business of the subcommittees and interim or special
24 committees, the members are entitled to receive out of the
25 Legislative Fund:

26 (a) The compensation provided for a majority of the Legislators
27 during the first 60 days of the preceding regular session;

28 (b) The per diem allowance provided for state officers and
29 employees generally; and

30 (c) The travel expenses provided pursuant to NRS 218A.655.

31 **Sec. 12.** NRS 218E.205 is hereby amended to read as follows:

32 218E.205 1. Between regular sessions, the Legislative
33 Commission:

34 (a) Shall fix the work priority of all studies and investigations
35 assigned to it by a statute or concurrent resolution or directed by an
36 order of the Legislative Commission ~~+~~ *or conducted by a Joint*
37 *Interim Standing Committee*, within the limits of available time,
38 money and staff.

39 (b) Shall not make studies or investigations directed by a
40 resolution of only one House or studies or investigations proposed
41 but not approved during the preceding regular session.

42 2. All requests for the drafting of legislative measures to be
43 recommended as the result of a study or investigation must be made
44 in accordance with NRS 218D.160.



3. Except as otherwise provided by NRS 218E.210, between regular sessions, a study or investigation may not be initiated or continued by the Fiscal Analysts, the Legislative Auditor, the Legislative Counsel or the Research Director and their staffs, except studies and investigations which have been specifically authorized by ~~[a statute, concurrent resolution]~~ *the Legislature* or ~~[order of]~~ the Legislative Commission.

4. A study or investigation may not be carried over from one regular session to the next without additional authorization by a statute, concurrent resolution or order of the Legislative Commission, except audits in progress whose carryover has been approved by the Legislative Commission.

5. Except as otherwise provided by a specific statute, the staff of the Legislative Counsel Bureau shall not serve as primary administrative or professional staff for a committee established by a statute, concurrent resolution or order of the Legislative Commission to conduct a study or investigation, unless the chair of the committee is required by the statute, concurrent resolution or order of the Legislative Commission to be a Legislator.

6. The Legislative Commission shall review and approve the budget and work program and any changes to the budget or work program for each study or investigation conducted by the Legislative Commission or a committee or subcommittee established by the Legislative Commission.

~~[7. A committee or subcommittee established to conduct a study or investigation assigned to the Legislative Commission by a statute or concurrent resolution or directed by an order of the Legislative Commission must, unless otherwise ordered by the Legislative Commission, meet not earlier than January 1 of the even-numbered year and not later than June 30 of that year.]~~

Sec. 13. NRS 218E.520 is hereby amended to read as follows:

218E.520 1. The *Joint Interim Standing* Committee *on Natural Resources, Agriculture and Mining* may:

(a) Review and comment on any administrative policy, rule or regulation of the:

(1) Secretary of the Interior which pertains to policy concerning or management of public lands under the control of the Federal Government; and

(2) Secretary of Agriculture which pertains to policy concerning or management of national forests;

(b) Conduct investigations and hold hearings in connection with its review, including, but not limited to, investigating the effect on the State, its citizens, political subdivisions, businesses and industries of those policies, rules, regulations and related laws ; ~~†~~



~~and exercise any of the investigative powers set forth in NRS 218E.105 to 218E.140, inclusive;}~~

(c) Consult with and advise the State Land Use Planning Agency on matters concerning federal land use, policies and activities in this State;

(d) Direct the Legislative Counsel Bureau to assist in its research, investigations, review and comment;

(e) Recommend to the Legislature as a result of its review any appropriate state legislation or corrective federal legislation;

(f) Advise the Attorney General if it believes that any federal policy, rule or regulation which it has reviewed encroaches on the sovereignty respecting land or water or their use which has been reserved to the State pursuant to the Constitution of the United States;

(g) Enter into a contract for consulting services for land planning and any other related activities, including, but not limited to:

(1) Advising the Committee and the State Land Use Planning Agency concerning the revision of the plans pursuant to NRS 321.7355;

(2) Assisting local governments in the identification of lands administered by the Federal Government in this State which are needed for residential or economic development or any other purpose; and

(3) Assisting local governments in the acquisition of federal lands in this State;

(h) Apply for any available grants and accept any gifts, grants or donations to assist the Committee in carrying out its duties; and

(i) Review and comment on any other matter relating to the preservation, conservation, use, management or disposal of public lands deemed appropriate by the Chair of the Committee or by a majority of the members of the Committee.

2. Any reference in this section to federal policies, rules, regulations and related federal laws includes those which are proposed as well as those which are enacted or adopted.

Sec. 14. NRS 218E.525 is hereby amended to read as follows:
218E.525 1. The *Joint Interim Standing* Committee *on Natural Resources, Agriculture and Mining* shall:

(a) Actively support the efforts of state and local governments in the western states regarding public lands and state sovereignty as impaired by federal ownership of land.

(b) Advance knowledge and understanding in local, regional and national forums of Nevada's unique situation with respect to public lands.



(c) Support legislation that will enhance state and local roles in the management of public lands and will increase the disposal of public lands.

2. The *Joint Interim Standing* Committee ~~on~~ *on Natural Resources, Agriculture and Mining*;

(a) Shall review the programs and activities of:

(1) The Colorado River Commission of Nevada;

(2) All public water authorities, districts and systems in the State of Nevada, including, without limitation, the Southern Nevada Water Authority, the Truckee Meadows Water Authority, the Virgin Valley Water District, the Carson Water Subconservancy District, the Humboldt River Basin Water Authority and the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District; and

(3) All other public or private entities with which any county in the State has an agreement regarding the planning, development or distribution of water resources, or any combination thereof; *and*

~~(b) Shall, on or before January 15 of each odd numbered year, submit to the Director for transmittal to the Legislature a report concerning the review conducted pursuant to paragraph (a); and~~

~~—(c)—~~ May review and comment on other issues relating to water resources in this State, including, without limitation:

(1) The laws, regulations and policies regulating the use, allocation and management of water in this State; and

(2) The status of existing information and studies relating to water use, surface water resources and groundwater resources in this State.

Sec. 15. (Deleted by amendment.)

Sec. 16. NRS 218E.615 is hereby amended to read as follows:

218E.615 The *Joint Interim Standing* Committee *on Education* may:

1. Evaluate, review and comment upon issues related to education within this State, including, but not limited to:

(a) Programs to enhance accountability in education;

(b) Legislative measures regarding education;

(c) The progress made by this State, the school districts and the public schools in this State in satisfying the goals and objectives of the statewide system of accountability for public schools;

(d) Methods of financing public education;

(e) The condition of public education in the elementary and secondary schools;

(f) The program to reduce the ratio of pupils per class per licensed teacher prescribed in NRS 388.700, 388.710 and 388.720;

(g) The development of any programs to automate the receipt, storage and retrieval of the educational records of pupils; and



(h) Any other matters that, in the determination of the Committee, affect the education of pupils within this State.

2. Conduct investigations and hold hearings in connection with its duties pursuant to this section . ~~and exercise any of the investigative powers set forth in NRS 218E.105 to 218E.140, inclusive.~~

3. Request that the Legislative Counsel Bureau assist in the research, investigations, hearings and reviews of the Committee.

4. Make recommendations to the Legislature concerning the manner in which public education may be improved.

Sec. 17. NRS 218E.625 is hereby amended to read as follows:

218E.625 1. The Legislative Bureau of Educational Accountability and Program Evaluation is hereby created within the Fiscal Analysis Division. The Fiscal Analysts shall appoint to the Legislative Bureau of Educational Accountability and Program Evaluation a Chief and such other personnel as the Fiscal Analysts determine are necessary for the Bureau to carry out its duties pursuant to this section.

2. The Bureau shall, as the Fiscal Analysts determine is necessary or at the request of the *Joint Interim Standing* Committee ~~+~~ *on Education:*

(a) Collect and analyze data and issue written reports concerning:

(1) The effectiveness of the provisions of chapter 385A of NRS in improving the accountability of the schools of this State;

(2) The statewide program to reduce the ratio of pupils per class per licensed teacher prescribed in NRS 388.700, 388.710 and 388.720;

(3) The statewide program to educate persons with disabilities that is set forth in NRS 388.5223 to 388.5243, inclusive;

(4) The results of the examinations of the National Assessment of Educational Progress that are administered pursuant to NRS 390.830; and

(5) Any program or legislative measure, the purpose of which is to reform the system of education within this State.

(b) Conduct studies and analyses to evaluate the performance and progress of the system of public education within this State. Such studies and analyses may be conducted:

(1) As the Fiscal Analysts determine are necessary; or

(2) At the request of the Legislature.

➔ This paragraph does not prohibit the Bureau from contracting with a person or entity to conduct studies and analyses on behalf of the Bureau.

(c) On or before October 1 of each even-numbered year, submit a written report of its findings pursuant to paragraphs (a) and (b) to



1 the Director for transmission to the next regular session. The Bureau
2 shall, on or before October 1 of each odd-numbered year, submit a
3 written report of its findings pursuant to paragraphs (a) and (b) to
4 the Director for transmission to the Legislative Commission and to
5 the ~~[Legislative]~~ *Joint Interim Standing* Committee on Education.

6 3. The Bureau may, pursuant to NRS 218F.620, require a
7 school, a school district, the Nevada System of Higher Education or
8 the Department of Education to submit to the Bureau books, papers,
9 records and other information that the Chief of the Bureau
10 determines are necessary to carry out the duties of the Bureau
11 pursuant to this section. An entity whom the Bureau requests to
12 produce records or other information shall provide the records or
13 other information in any readily available format specified by the
14 Bureau.

15 4. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection and NRS
16 239.0115, any information obtained by the Bureau pursuant to this
17 section shall be deemed a work product that is confidential pursuant
18 to NRS 218F.150. The Bureau may, at the discretion of the Chief
19 and after submission to the Legislature or Legislative Commission,
20 as appropriate, publish reports of its findings pursuant to paragraphs
21 (a) and (b) of subsection 2.

22 5. This section does not prohibit the Department of Education
23 or the State Board of Education from conducting analyses,
24 submitting reports or otherwise reviewing educational programs in
25 this State.

26 **Sec. 18.** NRS 218E.815 is hereby amended to read as follows:

27 218E.815 1. The *Joint Interim Standing* Committee *on*
28 *Commerce, Labor and Energy* may:

29 (a) Evaluate, review and comment upon matters related to
30 energy policy within this State, including, without limitation:

31 (1) Policies, plans or programs relating to the production,
32 consumption or use of energy in this State;

33 (2) Legislative measures regarding energy policy;

34 (3) The progress made by this State in satisfying the goals
35 and objectives of Senate Bill No. 123 of the 77th Session of the
36 Nevada Legislature;

37 (4) The effect of any policy, plan, program or legislation on
38 rates or rate payers;

39 (5) The effect of any policy, plan, program or legislation on
40 economic development in this State;

41 (6) The effect of any policy, plan, program or legislation on
42 the environment;

43 (7) Any contracts or requests for proposals relating to the
44 purchase of capacity;



(8) The effect of any policy, plan, program or legislation which provides for the construction or acquisition of facilities for the generation of electricity;

(9) The effect of any policy, plan, program or legislation on the development of a market in this State for electricity generated from renewable energy;

(10) The infrastructure and transmission requirements of any policy, plan, program or legislation; and

(11) Any other matters or topics that, in the determination of the Committee, affect energy policy in this State.

(b) Conduct investigations and hold hearings in connection with its duties pursuant to this section . ~~and exercise any of the investigative powers set forth in NRS 218E.105 to 218E.140, inclusive.~~

(c) Request that the Legislative Counsel Bureau assist in the research, investigations, hearings and reviews of the Committee.

(d) Make recommendations to the Legislature concerning the manner in which energy policy may be implemented or improved.

2. As used in this section, "renewable energy" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 701.070.

Sec. 19. NRS 62H.320 is hereby amended to read as follows:

62H.320 1. The Director of the Department of Health and Human Services shall establish within the Department a program to compile and analyze data concerning juvenile sex offenders. The program must be designed to:

(a) Provide statistical data relating to the recidivism of juvenile sex offenders; and

(b) Use the data provided by the Division of Child and Family Services of the Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to NRS 62H.220 to assess the effectiveness of programs for the treatment of juvenile sex offenders.

2. The Director of the Department of Health and Human Services shall report the statistical data and findings from the program to:

(a) The Legislature at the beginning of each regular session.

(b) The ~~Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice~~ *Joint Interim Standing Committee on the Judiciary* on or before January 31 of each even-numbered year.

3. The data acquired pursuant to this section is confidential and must be used only for the purpose of research. The data and findings generated pursuant to this section must not contain information that may reveal the identity of a juvenile sex offender or the identity of an individual victim of a crime.

Sec. 20. NRS 176.0127 is hereby amended to read as follows:

176.0127 1. The Department of Corrections shall:



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(a) Provide the ~~{Commission}~~ *Joint Interim Standing Committee on the Judiciary* with any available statistical information or research requested by the ~~{Commission}~~ *Committee* and assist the ~~{Commission}~~ *Committee* in the compilation and development of information requested by the ~~{Commission,}~~ *Committee*, including, but not limited to, information or research concerning the facilities and institutions of the Department of Corrections, the offenders who are or were within those facilities or institutions, rates of recidivism, the effectiveness of educational and vocational programs and the sentences which are being served or were served by those offenders;

~~{(b) If requested by the Commission, make available to the Commission the use of the computers and programs which are owned by the Department of Corrections;}~~ and

~~{(e)}~~ (b) Provide the independent contractor retained by the Department of Administration pursuant to NRS 176.0129 with any available statistical information requested by the independent contractor for the purpose of performing the projections required by NRS 176.0129.

2. The Division shall:

(a) Provide the ~~{Commission}~~ *Joint Interim Standing Committee on the Judiciary* with any available statistical information or research requested by the ~~{Commission}~~ *Committee* and assist the ~~{Commission}~~ *Committee* in the compilation and development of information concerning sentencing, probation, parole and any offenders who are or were subject to supervision by the Division;

~~{(b) If requested by the Commission, make available to the Commission the use of the computers and programs which are owned by the Division;}~~ and

~~{(e)}~~ (b) Provide the independent contractor retained by the Department of Administration pursuant to NRS 176.0129 with any available statistical information requested by the independent contractor for the purpose of performing the projections required by NRS 176.0129.

Sec. 21. NRS 176.0128 is hereby amended to read as follows:
176.0128 The Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History shall:

1. Facilitate the collection of statistical data in the manner approved by the Director of the Department of Public Safety and coordinate the exchange of such data with agencies of criminal justice within this State, including:

- (a) State and local law enforcement agencies;
- (b) The Office of the Attorney General;
- (c) The Court Administrator;



- (d) The Department of Corrections; and
- (e) The Division.

2. Provide the ~~{Commission}~~ *Joint Interim Standing Committee on the Judiciary* with available statistical data and information requested by the ~~{Commission}~~ *Committee*.

Sec. 22. NRS 176.0129 is hereby amended to read as follows:

176.0129 The Department of Administration shall, on an annual basis, contract for the services of an independent contractor, in accordance with the provisions of NRS 333.700, to ~~+~~

~~—1.—Review~~ *review* sentences imposed in this State and the practices of the State Board of Parole Commissioners and project annually the number of persons who will be:

~~{(a)}~~ *1.* In a facility or institution of the Department of Corrections;

~~{(b)}~~ *2.* On probation;

~~{(c)}~~ *3.* On parole; and

~~{(d)}~~ *4.* Serving a term of residential confinement,

↪ during the 10 years immediately following the date of the projection. ~~+~~ and

~~—2.—Review preliminary proposals and information provided by the Commission and project annually the number of persons who will be:~~

~~—(a) In a facility or institution of the Department of Corrections;~~

~~—(b) On probation;~~

~~—(c) On parole; and~~

~~—(d) Serving a term of residential confinement;~~

↪ ~~during the 10 years immediately following the date of the projection, assuming the preliminary proposals were recommended by the Commission and enacted by the Legislature.~~

Sec. 23. NRS 209.192 is hereby amended to read as follows:

209.192 1. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a Fund for New Construction of Facilities for Prison Industries as a capital projects fund. The Director shall deposit in the Fund the deductions made pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection 1 or paragraph (b) of subsection 2 of NRS 209.463. The money in the Fund must only be expended:

(a) To house new industries or expand existing industries in the industrial program to provide additional employment of offenders;

(b) To relocate, expand, upgrade or modify an existing industry in the industrial program to enhance or improve operations or security or to provide additional employment or training of offenders;

(c) To purchase or lease equipment to be used for the training of offenders or in the operations of prison industries;



(d) To pay or fund the operations of prison industries, including, without limitation, paying the salaries of staff and wages of offenders if the cash balance in the Fund for Prison Industries is below the average monthly expenses for the operation of prison industries;

(e) To advertise and promote the goods produced and services provided by prison industries; or

(f) For any other purpose authorized by the Legislature.

2. Before money in the Fund may be expended:

(a) As described in paragraphs (b) to (e), inclusive, of subsection 1, the Director shall submit a proposal for the expenditure to the *Joint Interim Standing* Committee on ~~Industrial Programs~~ *the Judiciary* and the State Board of Examiners.

(b) For construction, the Director shall submit a proposal for the expenditure to the State Board of Examiners.

3. Upon making a determination that the proposed expenditure is appropriate and necessary, the State Board of Examiners shall recommend to the Interim Finance Committee, or the Senate Standing Committee on Finance and the Assembly Standing Committee on Ways and Means when the Legislature is in general session, that the expenditure be approved. Upon approval of the appropriate committee or committees, the money may be so expended.

4. If any money in the Fund is used as described in paragraph (d) of subsection 1, the Director shall repay the amount used as soon as sufficient money is available in the Fund for Prison Industries.

5. The interest and income earned on the money in the Fund, after deducting any applicable charges, must be credited to the Fund.

6. As used in this section, "Fund" means Fund for New Construction of Facilities for Prison Industries.

Sec. 24. NRS 209.459 is hereby amended to read as follows:

209.459 1. The Director shall:

(a) Submit a report to the *Joint Interim Standing* Committee on ~~Industrial Programs~~ *the Judiciary* identifying the potential impacts of any new program for the employment of offenders on private employers and labor in this State. In preparing such a report, the Director shall include any information required pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 7 of NRS 209.461 and must perform due diligence in obtaining such information from:

(1) The Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation;

(2) The Department of Business and Industry;

(3) The Office of Economic Development; and

(4) Representatives of organized labor in this State.



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(b) Seek and present the recommendations of the *Joint Interim Standing* Committee on ~~Industrial Programs~~ *the Judiciary* to the Board of State Prison Commissioners and, with the approval of the Board of State Prison Commissioners, establish and carry out a program for the employment of offenders in services and manufacturing conducted by institutions of the Department or by private employers.

2. Before any new program for the employment of offenders is established pursuant to this section, the Director shall submit any contract related to the employment of such offenders to the State Board of Examiners for approval.

Sec. 25. NRS 209.461 is hereby amended to read as follows:

209.461 1. The Director shall:

(a) To the greatest extent possible, approximate the normal conditions of training and employment in the community.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in this section, to the extent practicable, require each offender, except those whose behavior is found by the Director to preclude participation, to spend 40 hours each week in vocational training or employment, unless excused for a medical reason or to attend educational classes in accordance with NRS 209.396. The Director shall require as a condition of employment that an offender sign an authorization for the deductions from his or her wages made pursuant to NRS 209.463. Authorization to make the deductions pursuant to NRS 209.463 is implied from the employment of an offender and a signed authorization from the offender is not required for the Director to make the deductions pursuant to NRS 209.463.

(c) Use the earnings from services and manufacturing conducted by the institutions and the money paid by private employers who employ the offenders to offset the costs of operating the prison system and to provide wages for the offenders being trained or employed.

(d) Provide equipment, space and management for services and manufacturing by offenders.

(e) Employ craftsmen and other personnel to supervise and instruct offenders.

(f) Contract with governmental agencies and private employers for the employment of offenders, including their employment on public works projects under contracts with the State and with local governments.

(g) Contract for the use of offenders' services and for the sale of goods manufactured by offenders.

(h) On or before January 1, 2014, and every 5 years thereafter, submit a report to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for distribution to the *Joint Interim Standing* Committee on ~~Industrial~~



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~~Programs~~ *the Judiciary*. The report must include, without limitation, an analysis of existing contracts with private employers for the employment of offenders and the potential impact of those contracts on private industry in this State.

(i) Submit a report to each meeting of the Interim Finance Committee identifying any accounts receivable related to a program for the employment of offenders.

2. Every program for the employment of offenders established by the Director must:

(a) Employ the maximum number of offenders possible;

(b) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 209.192, provide for the use of money produced by the program to reduce the cost of maintaining the offenders in the institutions;

(c) Have an insignificant effect on the number of jobs available to the residents of this State; and

(d) Provide occupational training for offenders.

3. An offender may not engage in vocational training, employment or a business that requires or permits the offender to:

(a) Telemarket or conduct opinion polls by telephone; or

(b) Acquire, review, use or have control over or access to personal information concerning any person who is not incarcerated.

4. Each fiscal year, the cumulative profits and losses, if any, of the programs for the employment of offenders established by the Director must result in a profit for the Department. The following must not be included in determining whether there is a profit for the Department:

(a) Fees credited to the Fund for Prison Industries pursuant to NRS 482.268, any revenue collected by the Department for the leasing of space, facilities or equipment within the institutions or facilities of the Department, and any interest or income earned on the money in the Fund for Prison Industries.

(b) The selling expenses of the Central Administrative Office of the programs for the employment of offenders. As used in this paragraph, "selling expenses" means delivery expenses, salaries of sales personnel and related payroll taxes and costs, the costs of advertising and the costs of display models.

(c) The general and administrative expenses of the Central Administrative Office of the programs for the employment of offenders. As used in this paragraph, "general and administrative expenses" means the salary of the Deputy Director of Industrial Programs and the salaries of any other personnel of the Central Administrative Office and related payroll taxes and costs, the costs of telephone usage, and the costs of office supplies used and postage used.



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5. If any state-sponsored program incurs a net loss for 2 consecutive fiscal years, the Director shall appear before the *Joint Interim Standing* Committee on ~~Industrial Programs~~ the *Judiciary* to explain the reasons for the net loss and provide a plan for the generation of a profit in the next fiscal year. If the program does not generate a profit in the third fiscal year, the Director shall take appropriate steps to resolve the issue.

6. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the Director may, with the approval of the Board:

(a) Lease spaces and facilities within any institution of the Department to private employers to be used for the vocational training and employment of offenders.

(b) Grant to reliable offenders the privilege of leaving institutions or facilities of the Department at certain times for the purpose of vocational training or employment.

7. Before entering into any contract with a private employer for the employment of offenders pursuant to subsection 1, the Director shall obtain from the private employer:

(a) A personal guarantee to secure an amount fixed by the Director but not less than 100 percent of the prorated annual amount of the contract, a surety bond made payable to the State of Nevada in an amount fixed by the Director but not less than 100 percent of the prorated annual amount of the contract and conditioned upon the faithful performance of the contract in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract, or a security agreement to secure any debt, obligation or other liability of the private employer under the contract, including, without limitation, lease payments, wages earned by offenders and compensation earned by personnel of the Department.

(b) A detailed written analysis on the estimated impact of the contract on private industry in this State. The written analysis must include, without limitation:

(1) The number of private companies in this State currently providing the types of products and services offered in the proposed contract.

(2) The number of residents of this State currently employed by such private companies.

(3) The number of offenders that would be employed under the contract.

(4) The skills that the offenders would acquire under the contract.

8. The provisions of this chapter do not create a right on behalf of the offender to employment or to receive the federal or state minimum wage for any employment and do not establish a basis for any cause of action against the State or its officers or employees for



1 employment of an offender or for payment of the federal or state
2 minimum wage to an offender.

3 9. As used in this section, "state-sponsored program" means a
4 program for the vocational training or employment of offenders
5 which does not include a contract of employment with a private
6 employer.

7 **Sec. 26.** NRS 209.4818 is hereby amended to read as follows:

8 209.4818 1. The *Joint Interim Standing* Committee on
9 ~~Industrial Programs~~ *the Judiciary* shall:

10 (a) Be informed on issues and developments relating to
11 industrial programs for correctional institutions;

12 (b) Submit a semiannual report to the Interim Finance
13 Committee before July 1 and December 1 of each year on the status
14 of current and proposed industrial programs for correctional
15 institutions;

16 (c) Report to the Legislature on any other matter relating to
17 industrial programs for correctional institutions that it deems
18 appropriate;

19 ~~(d) Meet at least quarterly and at the call of the Chair to review~~
20 ~~the operation of current and proposed industrial programs;~~

21 ~~—(e)~~ Recommend three persons to the Director for appointment
22 as the Deputy Director for Industrial Programs whenever a vacancy
23 exists;

24 ~~((f))~~ (e) Before any new industrial program is established by the
25 Director, review the proposed program for compliance with the
26 requirements of subsections 2, 3, 4 and 7 of NRS 209.461 and
27 submit to the Director its recommendations concerning the proposed
28 program; and

29 ~~((g))~~ (f) Review each state-sponsored industry program
30 established pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 209.461 to determine
31 whether the program is operating profitably. If the Committee
32 determines that a program has incurred a net loss in 3 consecutive
33 fiscal years, the Committee shall report its finding to the Director
34 with a recommendation regarding whether the program should be
35 continued or terminated. If the Director does not accept the
36 recommendation of the Committee, the Director shall submit a
37 written report to the Committee setting forth his or her reasons for
38 rejecting the recommendation.

39 2. Upon the request of the *Joint Interim Standing* Committee
40 on ~~Industrial Programs~~ *the Judiciary*, the Director and the Deputy
41 Director for Industrial Programs shall provide to the Committee any
42 information that the Committee determines is relevant to the
43 performance of the duties of the Committee.

44 3. As used in this section, "state-sponsored industry program"
45 means a program for the vocational training or employment of



1 offenders which does not include a contract of employment with a
2 private employer.

3 **Sec. 27.** NRS 233B.063 is hereby amended to read as follows:

4 233B.063 1. An agency that intends to adopt, amend or
5 repeal a permanent regulation must deliver to the Legislative
6 Counsel a copy of the proposed regulation. The Legislative Counsel
7 shall examine and if appropriate revise the language submitted so
8 that it is clear, concise and suitable for incorporation in the Nevada
9 Administrative Code, but shall not alter the meaning or effect
10 without the consent of the agency.

11 2. Unless the proposed regulation is submitted to the
12 Legislative Counsel between July 1 of an even-numbered year and
13 July 1 of the succeeding odd-numbered year, the Legislative
14 Counsel shall deliver the approved or revised text of the regulation
15 within 30 days after it is submitted to the Legislative Counsel. If the
16 proposed or revised text of a regulation is changed before adoption,
17 the agency shall submit the changed text to the Legislative Counsel,
18 who shall examine and revise it if appropriate pursuant to the
19 standards of subsection 1. Unless it is submitted between July 1 of
20 an even-numbered year and July 1 of the succeeding odd-numbered
21 year, the Legislative Counsel shall return it with any appropriate
22 revisions within 30 days. If the agency is a licensing board as
23 defined in NRS 439B.225 and the proposed regulation relates to
24 standards for the issuance or renewal of licenses, permits or
25 certificates of registration issued to a person or facility regulated by
26 the agency, the Legislative Counsel shall also deliver one copy of
27 the approved or revised text of the regulation to the ~~Legislative~~
28 *Joint Interim Standing* Committee on Health ~~Care~~ and Human
29 *Services*.

30 3. An agency may adopt a temporary regulation between
31 August 1 of an even-numbered year and July 1 of the succeeding
32 odd-numbered year without following the procedure required by this
33 section and NRS 233B.064, but any such regulation expires by
34 limitation on November 1 of the odd-numbered year. A
35 substantively identical permanent regulation may be subsequently
36 adopted.

37 4. An agency may amend or suspend a permanent regulation
38 between August 1 of an even-numbered year and July 1 of the
39 succeeding odd-numbered year by adopting a temporary regulation
40 in the same manner and subject to the same provisions as prescribed
41 in subsection 3.

42 **Sec. 28.** NRS 233B.070 is hereby amended to read as follows:

43 233B.070 1. A permanent regulation becomes effective when
44 the Legislative Counsel files with the Secretary of State the original
45 of the final draft or revision of a regulation, except as otherwise



1 provided in NRS 293.247 or where a later date is specified in the
2 regulation.

3 2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 233B.0633, an agency
4 that has adopted a temporary regulation may not file the temporary
5 regulation with the Secretary of State until 35 days after the date on
6 which the temporary regulation was adopted by the agency. A
7 temporary regulation becomes effective when the agency files with
8 the Secretary of State the original of the final draft or revision of the
9 regulation, together with the informational statement prepared
10 pursuant to NRS 233B.066. The agency shall also file a copy of the
11 temporary regulation with the Legislative Counsel, together with the
12 informational statement prepared pursuant to NRS 233B.066.

13 3. An emergency regulation becomes effective when the
14 agency files with the Secretary of State the original of the final draft
15 or revision of an emergency regulation, together with the
16 informational statement prepared pursuant to NRS 233B.066. The
17 agency shall also file a copy of the emergency regulation with the
18 Legislative Counsel, together with the informational statement
19 prepared pursuant to NRS 233B.066.

20 4. The Secretary of State shall maintain the original of the final
21 draft or revision of each regulation in a permanent file to be used
22 only for the preparation of official copies.

23 5. The Secretary of State shall file, with the original of each
24 agency's rules of practice, the current statement of the agency
25 concerning the date and results of its most recent review of those
26 rules.

27 6. Immediately after each permanent or temporary regulation is
28 filed, the agency shall deliver one copy of the final draft or revision,
29 bearing the stamp of the Secretary of State indicating that it has
30 been filed, including material adopted by reference which is not
31 already filed with the State Library, Archives and Public Records
32 Administrator, to the State Library, Archives and Public Records
33 Administrator for use by the public. If the agency is a licensing
34 board as defined in NRS 439B.225 and it has adopted a permanent
35 regulation relating to standards for the issuance or renewal of
36 licenses, permits or certificates of registration issued to a person or
37 facility regulated by the agency, the agency shall also deliver one
38 copy of the regulation, bearing the stamp of the Secretary of State,
39 to the ~~Legislative~~ *Joint Interim Standing* Committee on Health
40 ~~Care~~ *and Human Services* within 10 days after the regulation is
41 filed with the Secretary of State.

42 7. Each agency shall furnish a copy of all or part of that part of
43 the Nevada Administrative Code which contains its regulations, to
44 any person who requests a copy, and may charge a reasonable fee



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1 for the copy based on the cost of reproduction if it does not have
2 money appropriated or authorized for that purpose.

3 8. An agency which publishes any regulations included in the
4 Nevada Administrative Code shall use the exact text of the
5 regulation as it appears in the Nevada Administrative Code,
6 including the leadlines and numbers of the sections. Any other
7 material which an agency includes in a publication with its
8 regulations must be presented in a form which clearly distinguishes
9 that material from the regulations.

10 **Sec. 29.** (Deleted by amendment.)

11 **Sec. 30.** (Deleted by amendment.)

12 **Sec. 31.** (Deleted by amendment.)

13 **Sec. 32.** (Deleted by amendment.)

14 **Sec. 33.** (Deleted by amendment.)

15 **Sec. 34.** NRS 321.7355 is hereby amended to read as follows:

16 321.7355 1. The State Land Use Planning Agency shall
17 prepare, in cooperation with appropriate federal and state agencies
18 and local governments throughout the State, plans or statements of
19 policy concerning the acquisition and use of lands in the State of
20 Nevada that are under federal management.

21 2. The State Land Use Planning Agency shall, in preparing the
22 plans and statements of policy, identify lands which are suitable for
23 acquisition for:

24 (a) Commercial, industrial or residential development;

25 (b) The expansion of the property tax base, including the
26 potential for an increase in revenue by the lease and sale of those
27 lands; or

28 (c) Accommodating increases in the population of this State.

29 ➔ The plans or statements of policy must not include matters
30 concerning zoning or the division of land and must be consistent
31 with local plans and regulations concerning the use of private
32 property.

33 3. The State Land Use Planning Agency shall:

34 (a) Encourage public comment upon the various matters treated
35 in a proposed plan or statement of policy throughout its preparation
36 and incorporate such comments into the proposed plan or statement
37 of policy as are appropriate;

38 (b) Submit its work on a plan or statement of policy periodically
39 for review and comment by the Land Use Planning Advisory
40 Council and ~~any committees of the Legislature or subcommittees of~~
41 ~~the Legislative Commission that deal with matters concerning the~~
42 ~~public lands;~~ *the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural*
43 *Resources, Agriculture and Mining;* and



(c) Provide written responses to written comments received from a county or city upon the various matters treated in a proposed plan or statement of policy.

4. Whenever the State Land Use Planning Agency prepares plans or statements of policy pursuant to subsection 1 and submits those plans or policy statements to the Governor, Legislature, *the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources, Agriculture and Mining* or an agency of the Federal Government, the State Land Use Planning Agency shall include with each plan or statement of policy the comments and recommendations of:

(a) The Land Use Planning Advisory Council; and

(b) ~~Any committees of the Legislature or subcommittees of the Legislative Commission that deal with matters concerning the public lands.~~ *The Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources, Agriculture and Mining.*

5. A plan or statement of policy must be approved by the governing bodies of the county and cities affected by it before it is put into effect.

Sec. 35. NRS 333.3368 is hereby amended to read as follows:

333.3368 The Purchasing Division shall, every 6 months, submit to the Legislature, if it is in session, or to the Interim Finance Committee, ~~and the Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults with Special Needs created by NRS 218E.750,~~ if the Legislature is not in session, a report which must contain, for the period since the submission of the last report:

1. The number of state purchasing contracts that were subject to the provisions of NRS 333.3361 to 333.3369, inclusive.

2. The total dollar amount of state purchasing contracts that were subject to the provisions of NRS 333.3361 to 333.3369, inclusive.

3. The number of local businesses owned and operated by veterans with service-connected disabilities that submitted a bid or proposal on a state purchasing contract.

4. The number of state purchasing contracts that were awarded to local businesses owned and operated by veterans with service-connected disabilities.

5. The total number of dollars' worth of state purchasing contracts that were awarded to local businesses owned and operated by veterans with service-connected disabilities.

6. Any other information deemed relevant by the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau.

Sec. 36. NRS 338.13846 is hereby amended to read as follows:

338.13846 The Division shall, every 6 months, submit to the Legislature, if it is in session, or to the Interim Finance Committee,



~~and the Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults with Special Needs created by NRS 218E.750,]~~ if the Legislature is not in session, a report which must contain, for the period since the submittal of the last report:

1. The number of contracts for public works of this State that were subject to the provisions of NRS 338.1384 to 338.13847, inclusive.

2. The total dollar amount of contracts for public works of this State that were subject to the provisions of NRS 338.1384 to 338.13847, inclusive.

3. The number of local businesses owned and operated by veterans with service-connected disabilities that submitted a bid on a contract for a public work of this State.

4. The number of contracts for public works of this State that were awarded to local businesses owned and operated by veterans with service-connected disabilities.

5. The total number of dollars' worth of contracts for public works of this State that were awarded to local businesses owned and operated by veterans with service-connected disabilities.

6. Any other information deemed relevant by the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau.

Sec. 37. NRS 385A.030 is hereby amended to read as follows:

385A.030 "Committee" means the ~~[Legislative]~~ *Joint Interim Standing* Committee on Education . ~~[created pursuant to NRS 218E.605.]~~

Sec. 38. NRS 387.122 is hereby amended to read as follows:

387.122 1. For making the apportionments of the State Distributive School Account in the State General Fund required by the provisions of this title, the basic support guarantee per pupil for each school district is established by law for each school year. The formula for calculating the basic support guarantee may be expressed as an estimated weighted average per pupil, based on the total expenditures for public education in the immediately preceding even-numbered fiscal year, plus any legislative appropriations for the immediately succeeding biennium, minus those local funds not guaranteed by the State pursuant to NRS 387.163.

2. The estimated weighted average per pupil for the State must be calculated as a basic support guarantee for each school district through an equity allocation model that incorporates:

(a) Factors relating to wealth in the school district;

(b) Salary costs;

(c) Transportation; and

(d) Any other factor determined by the Superintendent of Public Instruction after consultation with the school districts and the State Public Charter School Authority.



3. The basic support guarantee per pupil must include a multiplier for pupils with disabilities. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the funding provided to each school district and charter school through the multiplier for pupils with disabilities is limited to the actual number of pupils with disabilities enrolled in the school district or charter school, not to exceed 13 percent of total pupil enrollment for the school district or charter school. If a school district or charter school has reported an enrollment of pupils with disabilities equal to more than 13 percent of total pupil enrollment, the school district or charter school must receive an amount of money necessary to satisfy the requirements for maintenance of effort under federal law.

4. Not later than July 1 of each even-numbered year, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall review and, if necessary, revise the factors used for the equity allocation model adopted for the previous biennium and present the review and any revisions at a meeting of the ~~Legislative~~ *Joint Interim Standing* Committee on Education for consideration and recommendations by the Committee. After the meeting, the Superintendent of Public Instruction shall consider any recommendations of the ~~Legislative~~ *Joint Interim Standing* Committee on Education, determine whether to include those recommendations in the equity allocation model and adopt the model. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall submit the equity allocation model to the:

(a) Governor for inclusion in the proposed executive budget.

(b) Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the next regular session of the Legislature.

5. The Department shall make available updated information regarding the equity allocation model on the Internet website maintained by the Department.

Sec. 39. NRS 388.787 is hereby amended to read as follows:

388.787 "Committee" means the ~~Legislative~~ *Joint Interim Standing* Committee on Education . ~~created pursuant to NRS 218E.605.~~

Sec. 40. NRS 390.270 is hereby amended to read as follows:

390.270 1. The Department shall, by regulation or otherwise, adopt and enforce a plan setting forth procedures to ensure the security of examinations that are administered to pupils pursuant to NRS 390.105 and 390.600 and the college and career readiness assessment administered pursuant to NRS 390.610.

2. A plan adopted pursuant to subsection 1 must include, without limitation:

(a) Procedures pursuant to which pupils, school officials and other persons may, and are encouraged to, report irregularities in testing administration and testing security.



(b) Procedures necessary to ensure the security of test materials and the consistency of testing administration.

(c) Procedures that specifically set forth the action that must be taken in response to a report of an irregularity in testing administration or testing security and the actions that must be taken during an investigation of such an irregularity. For each action that is required, the procedures must identify:

(1) By category, the employees of the school district, Achievement School District, charter school or Department, or any combination thereof, who are responsible for taking the action; and

(2) Whether the school district, Achievement School District, charter school or Department, or any combination thereof, is responsible for ensuring that the action is carried out successfully.

(d) Objective criteria that set forth the conditions under which a school, including, without limitation, a charter school or a school district, or both, is required to file a plan for corrective action in response to an irregularity in testing administration or testing security for the purposes of NRS 390.295.

3. A copy of the plan adopted pursuant to this section and the procedures set forth therein must be submitted on or before September 1 of each year to:

(a) The State Board; and

(b) The ~~[Legislative]~~ *Joint Interim Standing* Committee on Education. ~~[created pursuant to NRS 218E.605.]~~

Sec. 41. NRS 390.275 is hereby amended to read as follows:

390.275 1. The board of trustees of each school district shall, for each public school in the district, including, without limitation, charter schools, adopt and enforce a plan setting forth procedures to ensure the security of examinations and assessments.

2. A plan adopted pursuant to subsection 1 must include, without limitation:

(a) Procedures pursuant to which pupils, school officials and other persons may, and are encouraged to, report irregularities in testing administration and testing security.

(b) Procedures necessary to ensure the security of test materials and the consistency of testing administration.

(c) With respect to secondary schools, procedures pursuant to which the school district or charter school, as appropriate, will verify the identity of pupils taking an examination or assessment.

(d) Procedures that specifically set forth the action that must be taken in response to a report of an irregularity in testing administration or testing security and the action that must be taken during an investigation of such an irregularity. For each action that is required, the procedures must identify, by category, the employees of the school district or charter school who are



1 responsible for taking the action and for ensuring that the action is
2 carried out successfully.

3 ➔ The procedures adopted pursuant to this subsection must be
4 consistent, to the extent applicable, with the procedures adopted by
5 the Department pursuant to NRS 390.270.

6 3. A copy of each plan adopted pursuant to this section and the
7 procedures set forth therein must be submitted on or before
8 September 1 of each year to:

9 (a) The State Board; and

10 (b) The ~~Legislative~~ *Joint Interim Standing* Committee on
11 Education. ~~[- created pursuant to NRS 218E.605.]~~

12 4. On or before September 30 of each school year, the board of
13 trustees of each school district and the governing body of each
14 charter school shall provide a written notice regarding the
15 examinations and assessments to all teachers and educational
16 personnel employed by the school district or governing body, all
17 personnel employed by the school district or governing body who
18 are involved in the administration of the examinations and
19 assessments, all pupils who are required to take the examinations or
20 assessments and all parents and legal guardians of such pupils. The
21 written notice must be prepared in a format that is easily understood
22 and must include, without limitation, a description of the:

23 (a) Plan adopted pursuant to this section; and

24 (b) Action that may be taken against personnel and pupils for
25 violations of the plan or for other irregularities in testing
26 administration or testing security.

27 5. As used in this section:

28 (a) "Assessment" means the college and career readiness
29 assessment administered to pupils enrolled in grade 11 pursuant to
30 NRS 390.610.

31 (b) "Examination" means:

32 (1) The examinations that are administered to pupils pursuant
33 to NRS 390.105 or 390.600; and

34 (2) Any other examinations which measure the achievement
35 and proficiency of pupils and which are administered to pupils on a
36 district-wide basis.

37 (c) "Irregularity in testing administration" means the failure to
38 administer an examination or assessment in the manner intended by
39 the person or entity that created the examination or assessment.

40 (d) "Irregularity in testing security" means an act or omission
41 that tends to corrupt or impair the security of an examination or
42 assessment, including, without limitation:

43 (1) The failure to comply with security procedures adopted
44 pursuant to this section or NRS 390.270;



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(2) The disclosure of questions or answers to questions on an examination or assessment in a manner not otherwise approved by law; and

(3) Other breaches in the security or confidentiality of the questions or answers to questions on an examination or assessment.

Sec. 42. NRS 390.305 is hereby amended to read as follows:

390.305 1. The Department shall establish procedures for the uniform documentation and maintenance by the Department of irregularities in testing administration and testing security reported to the Department pursuant to NRS 390.285 and investigations of such irregularities conducted by the Department pursuant to NRS 390.280. The procedures must include, without limitation:

(a) A method for assigning a unique identification number to each incident of irregularity; and

(b) A method to ensure that the status of an irregularity is readily accessible by the Department.

2. In accordance with the procedures established pursuant to subsection 1, the Department shall prepare and maintain for each irregularity in testing administration and each irregularity in testing security, a written summary accompanying the report of the irregularity. The written summary must include, without limitation:

(a) An evaluation of whether the procedures prescribed by the Department pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection 2 of NRS 390.270 were followed in response to the irregularity;

(b) The corrective action, if any, taken in response to the irregularity pursuant to NRS 390.295;

(c) An evaluation of whether the corrective action achieved the desired result; and

(d) The current status and the outcome, if any, of an investigation related to the irregularity.

3. The Department shall prepare a written report that includes for each school year:

(a) A summary of each irregularity in testing administration and testing security reported to the Department pursuant to NRS 390.285 and each investigation conducted pursuant to NRS 390.280.

(b) A summary for each school that was required to provide additional administration of examinations pursuant to NRS 390.290. The summary must include, without limitation:

(1) The identity of the school;

(2) The type of additional examinations that were administered pursuant to NRS 390.290;

(3) The date on which those examinations were administered;

(4) A comparison of the results of pupils on the:



(I) Examinations in which an additional irregularity occurred in the second school year described in NRS 390.290; and

(II) Additional examinations administered pursuant to NRS 390.290.

(c) Each written summary prepared by the Department pursuant to subsection 2.

(d) The current status of each irregularity that was reported for a preceding school year which had not been resolved at the time that the preceding report was filed.

(e) The current status and the outcome, if any, of an investigation conducted by the Department pursuant to NRS 390.280.

(f) An analysis of the irregularities and recommendations, if any, to improve the security of the examinations and the consistency of testing administration.

4. On or before September 1 of each year, the Department shall submit the report prepared pursuant to subsection 3 for the immediately preceding school year to the ~~Legislative~~ *Joint Interim Standing* Committee on Education ~~created pursuant to NRS 218E.605~~ and the State Board.

Sec. 43. NRS 390.800 is hereby amended to read as follows:

390.800 1. In addition to any other test, examination or assessment required by state or federal law, the board of trustees of each school district may require the administration of district-wide tests, examinations and assessments that the board of trustees determines are vital to measure the achievement and progress of pupils. In making this determination, the board of trustees shall consider any applicable findings and recommendations of the ~~Legislative~~ *Joint Interim Standing* Committee on Education.

2. The tests, examinations and assessments required pursuant to subsection 1 must be limited to those which can be demonstrated to provide a direct benefit to pupils or which are used by teachers to improve instruction and the achievement of pupils.

3. The board of trustees of each school district and the State Board shall periodically review the tests, examinations and assessments administered to pupils to ensure that the time taken from instruction to conduct a test, examination or assessment is warranted because it is still accomplishing its original purpose.

Sec. 44. NRS 390.830 is hereby amended to read as follows:

390.830 1. The State Board shall:

(a) In accordance with guidelines established by the National Assessment Governing Board and National Center for Education Statistics and in accordance with 20 U.S.C. §§ 6301 et seq. and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto, adopt regulations requiring the schools of this State that are selected by the National Assessment



1 Governing Board or the National Center for Education Statistics to
2 participate in the examinations of the National Assessment of
3 Educational Progress.

4 (b) Report the results of those examinations to the:

5 (1) Governor;

6 (2) Board of trustees of each school district of this State;

7 (3) ~~Legislative~~ *Joint Interim Standing* Committee on
8 Education; ~~created pursuant to NRS 218E.605;~~ and

9 (4) Legislative Bureau of Educational Accountability and
10 Program Evaluation created pursuant to NRS 218E.625.

11 (c) Include in the report required pursuant to paragraph (b) an
12 analysis and comparison of the results of pupils in this State on the
13 examinations required by this section with:

14 (1) The results of pupils throughout this country who
15 participated in the examinations of the National Assessment of
16 Educational Progress; and

17 (2) The results of pupils on the achievement and proficiency
18 examinations administered pursuant to this chapter.

19 2. If the report required by subsection 1 indicates that the
20 percentage of pupils enrolled in the public schools in this State who
21 are proficient on the National Assessment of Educational Progress
22 differs by more than 10 percent of the pupils who are proficient on
23 the examinations administered pursuant to NRS 390.105 and
24 the examinations administered pursuant to NRS 390.600, the
25 Department shall prepare a written report describing the
26 discrepancy. The report must include, without limitation, a
27 comparison and evaluation of:

28 (a) The standards of content and performance for English
29 language arts and mathematics established pursuant to NRS 389.520
30 with the standards for English language arts and mathematics that
31 are tested on the National Assessment.

32 (b) The standards for proficiency established for the National
33 Assessment with the standards for proficiency established for the
34 examinations that are administered pursuant to NRS 390.105 and
35 the examinations administered pursuant to NRS 390.600.

36 3. The report prepared by the Department pursuant to
37 subsection 2 must be submitted to the:

38 (a) Governor;

39 (b) ~~Legislative~~ *Joint Interim Standing* Committee on
40 Education;

41 (c) Legislative Bureau of Educational Accountability and
42 Program Evaluation; and

43 (d) Council to Establish Academic Standards for Public Schools.

44 4. The Council to Establish Academic Standards for Public
45 Schools shall review and evaluate the report provided to the Council



1 pursuant to subsection 3 to identify any discrepancies in the
2 standards of content and performance established by the Council
3 that require revision and a timeline for carrying out the revision, if
4 necessary. The Council shall submit a written report of its review
5 and evaluation to the ~~{Legislative}~~ *Joint Interim Standing*
6 Committee on Education and Legislative Bureau of Educational
7 Accountability and Program Evaluation.

8 **Sec. 45.** NRS 439.983 is hereby amended to read as follows:

9 439.983 Upon the resolution of a public health emergency or
10 other health event, the emergency team shall:

11 1. Make recommendations to the State Board of Health and
12 local boards of health with respect to regulations or policies which
13 may be adopted to prevent public health emergencies and other
14 health events or to improve responses to public health emergencies
15 and other health events; and

16 2. Evaluate the response of each state agency, division, board
17 or other entity represented on the emergency team and make
18 recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature or, if the
19 Legislature is not in session, to the Legislative Commission and the
20 ~~{Legislative}~~ *Joint Interim Standing* Committee on Health ~~{Care}~~
21 *and Human Services* with respect to actions and measures that may
22 be taken to improve such responses.

23 **Sec. 46.** NRS 439B.040 is hereby amended to read as follows:

24 439B.040 "Committee" means the ~~{Legislative}~~ *Joint Interim*
25 *Standing* Committee on Health ~~{Care}~~ *and Human Services*.

26 **Sec. 47.** NRS 439B.227 is hereby amended to read as follows:

27 439B.227 The ~~{Legislative}~~ *Joint Interim Standing*
28 Committee on Health ~~{Care}~~ *and Human Services* shall:

29 1. After each regular session of the Legislature, review any
30 chapter added to this title or title 39 or 54 of NRS that authorizes or
31 requires the issuance of a license, permit or certificate to a person
32 who provides any service related to health care to determine if the
33 person should be included as a person required to make a report
34 pursuant to NRS 432B.220; and

35 2. Before the beginning of the next regular session of the
36 Legislature, prepare a report concerning its findings pursuant to
37 subsection 1 and submit the report to the Director of the Legislative
38 Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the Legislature. The report must
39 include, without limitation, any recommended legislation.

40 **Sec. 48.** NRS 449.465 is hereby amended to read as follows:

41 449.465 1. The Director may, by regulation, impose fees
42 upon admitted health insurers to cover the costs of carrying out the
43 provisions of NRS 449.450 to 449.530, inclusive. The maximum
44 amount of fees collected must not exceed the amount authorized by
45 the Legislature in each biennial budget.



2. The Director shall impose a fee of \$50 each year upon admitted health insurers for the support of the ~~Legislative~~ *Joint Interim Standing* Committee on Health ~~Care~~ and Human Services. The fee imposed pursuant to this subsection is in addition to any fee imposed pursuant to subsection 1. The fee collected for the support of the ~~Legislative~~ *Joint Interim Standing* Committee on Health ~~Care~~ and Human Services must be deposited in the Legislative Fund.

Sec. 49. NRS 449.520 is hereby amended to read as follows:

449.520 1. On or before October 1 of each year, the Director shall prepare and transmit to the Governor, the ~~Legislative~~ *Joint Interim Standing* Committee on Health ~~Care~~ and Human Services and the Interim Finance Committee a report of the Department's operations and activities for the preceding fiscal year.

2. The report prepared pursuant to subsection 1 must include:

(a) Copies of all reports, summaries, compilations and supplementary reports required by NRS 449.450 to 449.530, inclusive, together with such facts, suggestions and policy recommendations as the Director deems necessary;

(b) A summary of the trends of the audits of hospitals in this State that the Department required or performed during the previous year;

(c) An analysis of the trends in the costs, expenses and profits of hospitals in this State;

(d) An analysis of the methodologies used to determine the corporate home office allocation of hospitals in this State;

(e) An examination and analysis of the manner in which hospitals are reporting the information that is required to be filed pursuant to NRS 449.490, including, without limitation, an examination and analysis of whether that information is being reported in a standard and consistent manner, which fairly reflect the operations of each hospital;

(f) A review and comparison of the policies and procedures used by hospitals in this State to provide discounted services to, and to reduce charges for services provided to, persons without health insurance;

(g) A review and comparison of the policies and procedures used by hospitals in this State to collect unpaid charges for services provided by the hospitals; and

(h) A summary of the status of the programs established pursuant to NRS 439A.220 and 439A.240 to increase public awareness of health care information concerning the hospitals and surgical centers for ambulatory patients in this State, including, without limitation, the information that was posted in the preceding



fiscal year on the Internet website maintained for those programs pursuant to NRS 439A.270.

3. The ~~{Legislative}~~ *Joint Interim Standing* Committee on Health ~~{Care}~~ *and Human Services* shall develop a comprehensive plan concerning the provision of health care in this State which includes, without limitation:

(a) A review of the health care needs in this State as identified by state agencies, local governments, providers of health care and the general public; and

(b) A review of the capital improvement reports submitted by hospitals pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 449.490.

Sec. 50. NRS 481A.020 is hereby amended to read as follows:

481A.020 The designated representatives of this State to serve on the cooperating committee established by Article IV of the Multistate Highway Transportation Agreement are:

1. The Chair of the ~~{Senate}~~ *Joint Interim* Standing Committee on Transportation or a person designated by the Chair; and

2. The *Vice* Chair of the ~~{Assembly}~~ *Joint Interim* Standing Committee on Transportation or a person designated by the *Vice* Chair.

Sec. 51. NRS 482.367004 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.367004 1. There is hereby created the Commission on Special License Plates ~~{The Commission is advisory to the Department and consists of five Legislators}~~ *consisting of the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Transportation* and three nonvoting members. ~~{as follows:~~

~~—(a) Five Legislators appointed by the Legislative Commission:~~

~~—(1) One of whom is the Legislator who served as the Chair of the Assembly Standing Committee on Transportation during the most recent legislative session. That Legislator may designate an alternate to serve in place of the Legislator when absent. The alternate must be another Legislator who also served on the Assembly Standing Committee on Transportation during the most recent legislative session.~~

~~—(2) One of whom is the Legislator who served as the Chair of the Senate Standing Committee on Transportation during the most recent legislative session. That Legislator may designate an alternate to serve in place of the Legislator when absent. The alternate must be another Legislator who also served on the Senate Standing Committee on Transportation during the most recent legislative session.~~

~~—(b) Three}~~

2. *The three* nonvoting members ~~{consisting of:~~

~~—(1)} of the Commission consist of:~~



1 (a) The Director of the Department of Motor Vehicles, or a
2 designee of the Director.

3 ~~{(2)}~~ (b) The Director of the Department of Public Safety, or
4 a designee of the Director.

5 ~~{(3)}~~ (c) The Director of the Department of Tourism and
6 Cultural Affairs, or a designee of the Director.

7 ~~{2. Each member of the Commission appointed pursuant to~~
8 ~~paragraph (a) of subsection 1 serves a term of 2 years, commencing~~
9 ~~on July 1 of each odd-numbered year. A vacancy on the~~
10 ~~Commission must be filled in the same manner as the original~~
11 ~~appointment.}~~

12 3. ~~{Members}~~ *The nonvoting members* of the Commission
13 serve without salary or compensation for their travel or per diem
14 expenses.

15 4. The Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau shall
16 provide administrative support to the Commission.

17 5. The Commission shall recommend to the Department that
18 the Department approve or disapprove:

19 (a) Applications for the design, preparation and issuance of
20 special license plates that are submitted to the Department pursuant
21 to subsection 1 of NRS 482.367002;

22 (b) The issuance by the Department of special license plates that
23 have been designed and prepared pursuant to NRS 482.367002; and

24 (c) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, applications
25 for the design, preparation and issuance of special license plates that
26 have been authorized by an act of the Legislature after January 1,
27 2007.

28 ➔ In determining whether to recommend to the Department the
29 approval of such an application or issuance, the Commission shall
30 consider, without limitation, whether it would be appropriate and
31 feasible for the Department to, as applicable, design, prepare or
32 issue the particular special license plate. For the purpose of making
33 recommendations to the Department, the Commission shall consider
34 each application in the chronological order in which the application
35 was received by the Department.

36 6. On or before September 1 of each fiscal year, the
37 Commission shall compile a list of each special license plate for
38 which the Commission, during the immediately preceding fiscal
39 year, recommended to the Department that the Department approve
40 the application for the special license plate or approve the issuance
41 of the special license plate. The list so compiled must set forth, for
42 each such plate, the cause or charitable organization for which the
43 special license plate generates or would generate financial support,
44 and the intended use to which the financial support is being put or
45 would be put. The Commission shall transmit the information



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described in this subsection to the Department and the Department shall make that information available on its Internet website.

7. The provisions of paragraph (c) of subsection 5 do not apply with regard to special license plates that are issued pursuant to NRS 482.3751, 482.3752, 482.3757, 482.3783, 482.3785, 482.3787 or 482.37901.

8. The Commission shall:

(a) Recommend to the Department that the Department approve or disapprove any proposed change in the distribution of money received in the form of additional fees. As used in this paragraph, "additional fees" means the fees that are charged in connection with the issuance or renewal of a special license plate for the benefit of a particular cause, fund or charitable organization. The term does not include registration and license fees or governmental services taxes.

(b) If it recommends a proposed change pursuant to paragraph (a) and determines that legislation is required to carry out the change, recommend to the Department that the Department request the assistance of the Legislative Counsel in the preparation of a bill draft to carry out the change.

Sec. 52. (Deleted by amendment.)

Sec. 53. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 or another provision of this act, if the provisions of any other provision of the Nevada Revised Statutes or any other act or resolution passed by any session of the Nevada Legislature, including, without limitation, the 79th Session of the Nevada Legislature, assign a power or duty to a committee abolished by this act or require the submission of a document or information to such a committee:

(a) The provisions of the other statute, act or resolution that assign the power or duty or require the submission of the document or information are superseded and abrogated by the provisions of this act; and

(b) The Legislative Counsel shall, in revising the Nevada Revised Statutes, assign the power or duty or require the document or information to be submitted to the Joint Interim Standing Committee created by section 6 of this act which has jurisdiction over the subject matter of the power, duty, document or information.

2. A Joint Interim Standing Committee created by section 6 of this act may conduct a legislative study or investigation only within the limits of the Committee's budget and work program established pursuant to section 8 of this act. If the subject matter of a legislative study or investigation falls within the jurisdiction of more than one Joint Interim Standing Committee created by section 6 of this act, the Legislative Commission shall assign the study or investigation based on the budgets and work programs approved by the Legislative Commission for the Joint Interim Standing Committees.



3. As used in this section, "legislative study or investigation" includes, without limitation, any:

(a) Interim legislative study or investigation; or

(b) Legislative study or investigation assigned to a statutory legislative committee, including, without limitation, a statutory legislative committee abolished by the provisions of this act.

Sec. 54. The provisions of subsection 1 of NRS 218D.380 do not apply to any provision of this act which adds or revises a requirement to submit a report to the Legislature.

Sec. 55. 1. NRS 176.0121, 176.0123, 176.0124, 176.01245, 176.01246, 176.01247, 176.0125, 176.01255, 176.0126, 209.4817, 218E.225, 218E.500, 218E.505, 218E.510, 218E.515, 218E.600, 218E.605, 218E.610, 218E.700, 218E.705, 218E.710, 218E.715, 218E.720, 218E.745, 218E.750, 218E.755, 218E.760, 218E.800, 218E.805, 218E.810, 439B.200, 439B.210 and 459.0085 are hereby repealed.

2. Section 2 of chapter 53, Statutes of Nevada 2015, at page 238 is hereby repealed.

Sec. 56. This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

**LEADLINES OF REPEALED SECTIONS OF NRS AND
TEXT OF REPEALED SECTION OF STATUTES OF NEVADA**

176.0121 "Commission" defined.

176.0123 Creation; members and appointing authorities; Chair; terms; vacancies; salaries and per diem; staff.

176.0124 Subcommittee on Juvenile Justice; creation; Chair; members; duties; salaries and per diem.

176.01245 Subcommittee on Victims of Crime; creation, Chair; members; duties; salaries and per diem.

176.01246 Subcommittee to Review Arrestee DNA: Creation; Chair; members; duties; salaries and per diem.

176.01247 Subcommittee on Medical Use of Marijuana: Creation; Chair; members; duties; salaries and per diem.

176.0125 Duties of Commission.

176.01255 Grants, bequests, devises, donations and gifts; Special Account for the Support of the Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice.

176.0126 Subpoenas: Power to issue; compelling performance.



209.4817 Committee on Industrial Programs: Creation; members; terms of appointed members; appointment of alternate members; payment of compensation, allowances and travel expenses.

218E.225 Committee to review management, organization and operation of Legislative Counsel Bureau.

218E.500 Legislative findings and declarations.

218E.505 “Committee” defined.

218E.510 Creation; membership; budget; officers; terms; vacancies; alternates.

218E.515 Meetings; rules; quorum; compensation, allowances and expenses of members.

218E.600 “Committee” defined.

218E.605 Creation; membership; budget; officers; terms; vacancies.

218E.610 Meetings; quorum; compensation, allowances and expenses of members.

218E.700 “Committee” defined.

218E.705 Creation; membership; budget; officers; terms; vacancies.

218E.710 Meetings; quorum; compensation, allowances and expenses of members.

218E.715 General duties.

218E.720 General powers.

218E.745 “Committee” defined.

218E.750 Creation; membership; budget; officers; terms; vacancies.

218E.755 Meetings; quorum; compensation, allowances and expenses of members.

218E.760 General powers.

218E.800 “Committee” defined.

218E.805 Creation of Legislative Committee on Energy; membership; budget; officers; terms; vacancies.

218E.810 Meetings; quorum; compensation, allowances and expenses of members.

439B.200 Creation; appointment of and restrictions on members; officers; terms of members; vacancies; annual reports.

439B.210 Meetings; quorum; compensation.

459.0085 Creation; membership; duties; compensation and expenses of members.



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Section 2 of chapter 53, Statutes of Nevada 2015, at page 238:

Sec. 2. 1. The Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice created by NRS 176.0123 shall appoint a subcommittee to conduct an interim study concerning parole, and make a report thereof.

2. The study and report must include, without limitation:

(a) An evaluation of:

(1) The federal Sentencing Reform Act of 1984 which established determinate sentencing and abolished parole;

(2) The parole systems of this State and other states and territories of the United States;

(3) The states that replaced discretionary parole systems with mandatory parole systems; and

(4) Any other matter that the Advisory Commission determines is relevant to the discussion.

(b) Recommendations regarding, without limitation, necessary statutory changes to the current parole system.

3. The subcommittee shall submit a report of the results of the study and any recommendations for legislation to the full Advisory Commission not later than September 1, 2016.

