#### SENATE BILL NO. 63–COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

## (ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION ON TOURISM)

### Prefiled December 20, 2014

#### Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Creates the Nevada Indian Commission's Gift Fund and designates the Commission as coordinating agency. (BDR 18-289)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: Yes.

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

AN ACT relating to the Nevada Indian Commission; creating the Nevada Indian Commission's Gift Fund; designating the Commission as the coordinating agency for certain discussions regarding activities at and uses of the buildings and grounds of the former Stewart Indian School; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

#### **Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

The Nevada Indian Commission is charged with studying matters affecting the social and economic welfare and well-being of American Indians residing in Nevada and recommending necessary or appropriate action, policy, legislation or revision of legislation or regulations pertaining to Indians. (NRS 233A.090)

Section 2 of this bill designates the Commission as the coordinating agency for discussions among the Commission, state agencies and local governmental entities regarding activities at and uses of the buildings and grounds of the former Stewart Indian School.

**Section 3** of this bill creates the Nevada Indian Commission's Gift Fund as a special revenue fund. **Section 3** provides that, unless specifically accounted for in another fund, all gifts or grants of money or other property to the Commission must be accounted for in the Fund. **Section 3** additionally provides that gifts of property other than money may be sold or exchanged when deemed by the Executive Director of the Commission to be in the best interest of the Commission.



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

**Section 1.** Chapter 233A of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 and 3 of this act.

- Sec. 2. The Commission is hereby designated as the coordinating agency for discussions among the Commission, state agencies and local governmental entities regarding activities at and uses of the buildings and grounds of the former Stewart Indian School.
- Sec. 3. 1. Except for gifts or grants specifically accounted for in another fund, all gifts or grants of money or other property which the Commission is authorized to accept must be accounted for in the Nevada Indian Commission's Gift Fund, which is hereby created as a special revenue fund. The Fund is a continuing fund without reversion. The Commission may establish such accounts in the Fund as are necessary to account properly for gifts and grants received. All such money received by the Commission must be deposited in the State Treasury for credit to the Fund. The money in the Fund must be paid out on claims as other claims against the State are paid. Unless otherwise specifically provided by statute, claims against the Fund must be approved by the Executive Director of the Commission or his or her designee.
- 2. Gifts of property other than money may be sold or exchanged when this is deemed by the Executive Director of the Commission to be in the best interest of the Commission. The sale price must not be less than 90 percent of the value determined by a qualified appraiser appointed by the Executive Director. All money received from the sale must be deposited in the State Treasury to the credit of the appropriate gift account in the Nevada Indian Commission's Gift Fund. The money may be spent only for the purposes of the Commission. The property may not be sold or exchanged if to do so would violate the terms of the gift.
  - **Sec. 4.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2015.





