SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4—SENATORS SPEARMAN, FORD, KIHUEN, WOODHOUSE, PARKS; DENIS, MANENDO AND SEGERBLOM

MARCH 16, 2015

Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Directs the Legislative Commission to conduct an interim study relating to energy efficiency programs. (BDR R-537)

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Directing the Legislative Commission to conduct an interim study relating to energy efficiency programs.

WHEREAS, Developing sustainable and reliable energy efficiency programs is critical to the future of Nevada's economy and competitiveness; and

WHEREAS, Energy production and energy efficiency programs in Nevada should be diverse, stable, affordable, technologically advanced and environmentally sound; and

WHEREAS, Attracting investors and participants in energy efficiency programs from private businesses and industries is paramount to establishing an energy policy in Nevada consistent with Nevada's energy goals for the 21st century; and

WHEREAS, The efficient use of energy frees public and private money for use in other areas such as education, infrastructure, public health and public safety; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the Legislative Commission is hereby directed to appoint an interim committee to conduct an interim study concerning the development, viability and implementation of energy efficiency programs in this State, including, without limitation, programs for businesses and industries in this State, energy efficiency resource standards and other energy efficiency incentive programs; and be it further



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RESOLVED, That, as soon as practicable after July 1, 2015, the Legislative Commission shall appoint a committee composed of three members of the Senate and three members of the Assembly to conduct the study, one of whom must be appointed by the Commission to serve as Chair of the committee; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the committee shall consult with and solicit input from persons, businesses, state agencies and other organizations with expertise in matters relevant to energy efficiency programs, including, without limitation, consumers, the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada, the Office of Energy, representatives of electric utilities, representatives from organizations that promote energy efficiency and representatives from businesses and industries that may be affected by any recommendations of the committee; and be it further

RESOLVED, That in performing the study, the committee shall consider, without limitation:

- 1. Existing energy efficiency incentive programs in this State;
- 2. Other states' laws, regulations and policies relating to energy efficiency incentive programs and energy efficiency resource standards; and
- 3. The impact and advisability of implementing legislation regarding energy efficiency resource standards and any other energy efficiency incentive programs considered by the committee; and be it further

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

RESOLVED, That the Legislative Commission shall submit a report of the results of the study and any recommendations for legislation to the 79th Session of the Nevada Legislature, the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada and the Director of the Office of Energy.





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