## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4—SENATOR LANGE

## MARCH 9, 2021

Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Directs the Legislative Commission to conduct an interim study concerning the hemp industry in this State. (BDR R-604)

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

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Directing the Legislative Commission to conduct an interim study concerning the hemp industry in this State.

WHEREAS, After the passage of the Agricultural Act of 2014 and the 2018 Farm Bill, hemp has been reintroduced to the American public as a crop with enormous market potential; and

WHEREAS, Hemp has the potential to clean up our contaminated urban soils and meet the demands for biofuels and textiles and has other uses such as hempcrete and animal feed; and

WHEREAS, The University of Nevada Cooperative Extension in Las Vegas is engaged in all Nevada communities by providing research-based knowledge to address critical community needs; and

WHEREAS, Members of the University of Nevada Cooperative Extension are proposing to provide supplemental research on hemp, which is currently not used to its full potential; and

WHEREAS, There is a need for scholarly, peer-reviewed research from credible sources for hemp growers; 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 composed of three members of the Assembly and three members of the Senate, one of whom must be appointed by the Legislative Commission as Chair of the committee, to conduct an interim study of the hemp industry in Nevada; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the interim committee shall study, without limitation:

1. Current trends in the hemp industry;



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- 2. Innovative methods and legislation to increase growth in the hemp industry;
  - 3. Programs to promote economic development in partnership with businesses involved in the cultivation of hemp as well as the production and sales of hemp products; and
  - 4. Available funding for research relating to hemp, including any available funding for the University of Nevada Cooperative Extension in Las Vegas to provide supplemental research for hemp; and be it further

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

RESOLVED, That the Legislative Commission shall submit a report of the findings of the interim committee, including, without limitation, any recommendations for legislation, to the 82nd Session of the Nevada Legislature; and be it further

RESOLVED, That this resolution becomes effective upon adoption.





