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SENATE BILL NO. 3—SENATORS RAGGIO, TITUS, AMODEI, CARE,
CARLTON, COFFIN, JACOBSEN, MATHEWS, MCGINNESS,
MILBURN, NEAL, O'CONNELL, O'DONNELL, PAULK, RAWSON,
RHODS, SCHNEIDER, SHAFFER, TOWNSEND, WASHINGTON
AND WIENER

JULY 31, 2002

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OHRENSCHALL, PARKS, PARNELL, PRICE, SMITH, TIFFANY AND
WILLIAMS

Referred to Committee of the Whole

SUMMARY—Increases amount paid by state for group insurance for certain public
employees. (BDR S-15)

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

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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 programs for public employees; increasing the amount to be paid by this
state for group insurance for certain public employees, public officers and retired
public employees; requiring the board of the public employees' benefits program
to issue a request for information or proposals concerning privatization of the
program; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

- 1 **Section 1.** Section 1 of chapter 353, Statutes of Nevada 2001, at page
- 2 1671, is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 3 Section 1. For the purposes of NRS 287.044 and 287.0445 and
- 4 subsection 1 of NRS 287.046, this state's share of the cost of



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1 premiums or contributions for group insurance for each public officer
2 or employee who elects to participate in the public employees'
3 benefits program is:

4 1. For the fiscal year 2001-2002, \$357.50 per month.

5 2. For the fiscal year 2002-2003, ~~[\$384.50]~~ \$465.78 per month.

6 **Sec. 2.** Section 2 of chapter 353, Statutes of Nevada 2001, at page
7 1671, is hereby amended to read as follows:

8 Sec. 2. For the purposes of subsection 2 of NRS 287.046, the
9 base amount for this state's share of the cost of premiums or
10 contributions for group insurance for each person who is retired from
11 the service of this state and continues to participate in the public
12 employees' benefits program is:

13 1. For the fiscal year 2001-2002, \$202.34 per month.

14 2. For the fiscal year 2002-2003, ~~[\$217.84]~~ \$263.89 per month.

15 **Sec. 3.** The board of the public employees' benefits program shall
16 ensure that:

17 1. No state employee who is a member of the program is required to
18 pay, for the fiscal year 2002-2003, any part of the cost of the premiums or
19 contributions for the program which are attributable to the health benefits
20 coverage of the employee by the program. The provisions of this
21 subsection do not prohibit requiring a state employee to pay the cost of the
22 premiums or contributions attributable to the coverage of the state
23 employee's dependents by the program.

24 2. Any money resulting from the amendatory provisions of section 1 of
25 this act that exceeds the amount necessary to carry out the provisions of
26 subsection 1 is applied to reserves or used to maintain current health
27 benefits.

28 **Sec. 4.** The board of the public employees' benefits program shall
29 issue a request for information or a request for proposals to determine
30 whether privatization of the public employees' benefits program is
31 economically feasible. The board of the public employees' benefits
32 program shall require that any information or proposals returned in
33 response to a request issued pursuant to this section are returned to the
34 board in sufficient time to allow the board to use such information or
35 proposals when making any decisions regarding any plan for benefits that
36 will begin on or after July 1, 2003.

37 **Sec. 5.** This act becomes effective on October 1, 2002.

