
ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 256—COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

FEBRUARY 16, 1999

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Increases number of members on board of county commissioners in certain counties. (BDR 20-1272)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: Yes.
Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: 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 county government; increasing the number of members on the board of county commissioners in certain counties; 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.** NRS 244.016 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 244.016 1. In each county whose population is 400,000 or more, the
3 board of county commissioners consists of ~~{seven}~~ **13** members. Each
4 member must be a resident of, and elected by the registered voters of, a
5 county commissioner election district established pursuant to this chapter.
6 2. The board of county commissioners shall establish ~~{seven}~~ **13**
7 county commissioner election districts which must be as nearly equal in
8 population as practicable, and each of which must be composed entirely of
9 contiguous territory and be as compact as possible.
10 **Sec. 2.** 1. On or before January 1, 2002, in any county whose
11 population is 400,000 or more, the board of county commissioners shall,
12 pursuant to NRS 244.018, establish new county commissioner election
13 districts by ordinance and provide for the election of the new members
14 added to the board pursuant to the amendatory provisions of section 1 of
15 this act for initial terms of 2 years and 4 years so that the numbers of
16 county commissioners to be elected at each general election thereafter will
17 be as nearly equal as possible.

1 2. The new election districts established pursuant to subsection 1 for
2 purposes of nominating candidates for and electing county commissioners
3 at the general election in 2002 must be based on the population as
4 determined by the 2000 national decennial census conducted by the Bureau
5 of the Census of the United States Department of Commerce pursuant to
6 section 2 of article I of the Constitution of the United States and reported
7 by the Secretary of Commerce to the governor pursuant to 13 U.S.C. §
8 141(c).

9 **Sec. 3.** The provisions of subsection 1 of NRS 354.599 do not apply
10 to any additional expenses of a local government that are related to the
11 provisions of this act.

12 **Sec. 4.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2001, for the purposes of
13 establishing the boundaries of the new county commissioner election
14 districts pursuant to the provisions of this act and for nominating
15 candidates for and electing county commissioners at the general election in
16 2002. For all other purposes, this act becomes effective on January 6,
17 2003.