

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 533—ASSEMBLYMAN BROWER

MARCH 15, 1999

Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

SUMMARY—Allows hospital district to contract for services provided by independent hospital.
(BDR 40-1549)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
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 hospital districts; allowing hospital districts to contract for services provided by a hospital not operated by the district; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

Section 1. Chapter 450 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. An existing hospital district, instead of acquiring and operating a district hospital, may contract, or a new hospital district may be created to contract, with a public agency or a privately owned hospital to provide the services of a hospital to the residents of the district. If such a contract is executed, the board of trustees:

(a) Shall prepare a budget pursuant to NRS 450.650;

(b) Shall levy a tax pursuant to NRS 450.660;

(c) May accept donations pursuant to NRS 450.690;

(d) May determine medical indigency pursuant to NRS 450.700; and

(e) May not borrow money or otherwise incur or assume indebtedness.

2. If a new hospital district is created for this purpose, the board of county commissioners shall so specify in the resolution creating the hospital district.

Sec. 2. NRS 450.550 is hereby amended to read as follows:
450.550 As used in NRS 450.550 to 450.750, inclusive, *and section 1 of this act*, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. “Board _____ of _____ trustees”

- 1 (a) A board of hospital trustees:
- 2 (1) Elected pursuant to NRS 450.620; or
- 3 (2) Appointed pursuant to NRS 450.625; or
- 4 (b) A board of county commissioners, if that board enacts an ordinance
- 5 which provides that the board of county commissioners is, ex officio, the
- 6 board of hospital trustees.
- 7 2. "District hospital" means a hospital constructed, maintained and
- 8 governed pursuant to NRS 450.550 to 450.750, inclusive.

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