ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 69–COMMITTEE ON ELECTIONS, PROCEDURES, AND ETHICS

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Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Revises Joint Standing Rules of Senate and Assembly for 70th legislative session governing notices of reconsideration and exemption of bills from rules relating to limitations on introductions and requests for legislative measures and schedule for their enactment. (BDR R-1754)

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

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Revising the Joint Standing Rules of the Senate and Assembly for the 70th session of the Legislature governing notices of reconsideration and exemptions of bills from the rules relating to limitations on introductions and requests for legislative measures and the schedule for their enactment.

- 1 RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE SENATE
- 2 CONCURRING, That Rules Nos. 14.3, 14.5 and 14.6 of the Joint Standing
- Rules of the Senate and Assembly as adopted by the 70th session of the
- 4 Nevada Legislature are hereby amended to read as follows:

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- Rule No. 14.3. Final Dates for Action by Standing Committees and
- 7 Houses; Final Date for Requesting Drafting of
- 8 Reports for Conference Committees.
- 9 Except as otherwise provided in Joint Standing Rules Nos. 14.4, 14.5 and 14.6:
- 1. The final standing committee to which a bill is referred in its House
- of origin may only take action on the bill on or before the 68th calendar day
- of the legislative session. A bill may be re-referred after that date only to
- the Committee on Finance or the Committee on Ways and Means and only
- if the Fiscal Analysis Division has determined pursuant to subsection 1 of
- 16 Joint Standing Rule No. 14.6 that the bill is exempt.

- 2. Final action on a bill may only be taken by the House of origin on or before the 78th calendar day of the legislative session.
- 3. The final standing committee to which a bill is referred in the second House may only take action on the bill on or before the 103rd calendar day of the legislative session. A bill may be re-referred after that date only to the Committee on Finance or the Committee on Ways and Means and only if the Fiscal Analysis Division has determined pursuant to subsection 1 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14.6 that the bill is exempt.
- 9 4. Final action on a bill may only be taken by the second House on or before the 110th calendar day of the legislative session.
- 5. Requests for the drafting of reports for Conference Committees must be submitted to the Legislative Counsel on or before the 118th calendar day of the legislative session.
- No notice of reconsideration of any final vote on a bill is in order on the last day on which final action is allowed.

16 Rule No. 14.5. Waivers.

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- 1. At the request of a legislator or a standing committee of the Senate or Assembly, subsection 1 or 2 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14, subsection 1 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14.2 or any of the provisions of Joint Standing Rule No. 14.3, or any combination thereof, may be waived by the Majority Leader of the Senate and the Speaker of the Assembly, acting jointly, at any time during a legislative session. A request for a waiver submitted by a standing committee must be approved by a majority of all members appointed to the committee before the request is submitted to the Majority Leader and the Speaker.
 - 2. A waiver granted pursuant to subsection 1:
- 27 (a) Must be in writing, executed on a form provided by the Legislative 28 Counsel, and signed by the Majority Leader and the Speaker.
 - (b) Must indicate the date on which the waiver is granted.
- 30 (c) Must indicate the legislator or standing committee on whose behalf 31 the waiver is being granted.
- 32 (d) Must include the bill number for which the waiver is granted or 33 indicate that the Legislative Counsel is authorized to accept and honor a 34 request for a new bill.
 - (e) Must indicate the provisions to which the waiver applies.
- 36 (f) May include the conditions under which the bill for which the waiver 37 is being granted must be introduced and processed.
- 38 3. The Legislative Counsel shall not honor a request for the drafting of a new bill for which a waiver is granted pursuant to this rule unless such information as is required to draft the bill is submitted to the Legislative Counsel within 2 calendar days after the date on which the waiver is granted.

- 4. Upon the receipt of a written waiver granted pursuant to this rule, the Legislative Counsel shall transmit a copy of the waiver to the Secretary of the Senate and the Chief Clerk of the Assembly. The notice that a waiver has been granted for an existing bill must be read on the floor and entered in the journal, and a notation that the waiver was granted must be included as a part of the history of the bill on the next practicable legislative day. A notation that a waiver was granted authorizing a new bill must be included as a part of the history of the bill after introduction.
 - 5. The Legislative Counsel shall secure the original copy of the waiver to the official cover of the bill.
 - 6. No notice of reconsideration of any final vote on a bill is in order on the last day on which final action is allowed by a waiver.

 Rule No. 14.6. Exemptions.
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 1. Upon request of the draft by or referral to the Senate Finance
 Committee or the Assembly Committee on Ways and Means, a bill which
 has been determined by the Fiscal Analysis Division to:
 - (a) Contain an appropriation;

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- (b) Authorize the expenditure by a state agency of sums not appropriated from the state general fund or the state highway fund;
 - (c) Create or increase any significant fiscal liability of the state; [or]
 - (d) Implement a budget decision; or
- 22 (e) Significantly decrease any revenue of the state,
- is exempt from the provisions of subsections 1 and 2 of Joint Standing Rule
- No. 14, subsection 1 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14.2 and Joint Standing
- 25 Rule No. 14.3. The Fiscal Analysis Division shall give notice to the
- Legislative Counsel to cause to be printed on the face of the bill the term
- 27 "exempt" for any bills requested by the Senate Finance Committee or
- 28 Assembly Committee on Ways and Means that have been determined to be
- 29 exempt and shall give written notice to the Legislative Counsel, Secretary
- of the Senate and Chief Clerk of the Assembly of any bill which is
- determined to be exempt after it is printed. A notation of each exemption
- granted after the bill was printed must be included as a part of the history of
- the bill on the next practicable legislative day. The term "exempt" must be printed on the face of all subsequent reprints of the bill.
- 2. All of the provisions of Joint Standing Rules Nos. 14, 14.2 and 14.3 apply to a bill until it is determined to be exempt pursuant to subsection 1. A bill determined to be exempt does not lose the exemption regardless of
- 38 subsequent actions taken by the Legislature.
- 39 3. A cumulative list of all bills determined to be exempt after being 40 printed must be maintained and printed in the back of the list of requests for 41 the preparation of legislative measures prepared pursuant to NRS 42 218.2475.

- 4. The provisions of subsections 1 and 2 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14,
- subsection 1 of Joint Standing Rule No. 14.2 and Joint Standing Rule No.
- 14.3 do not apply to:
 - (a) A bill required to carry out the business of the Legislature.
- (b) A joint, concurrent or simple resolution.
- (c) A bill that was previously enrolled but, upon the request of the Legislature, has been returned from the Governor for further
- 8 consideration.