
SENATE BILL NO. 454—COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

MARCH 17, 1999

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Amends charter of City of North Las Vegas to place city attorney under control of city council. (BDR S-616)

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 the City of North Las Vegas; amending the city charter to provide that the city attorney is appointed by, serves at the pleasure of, and is under the general direction and supervision of, the city council; 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 1.080 of the charter of the City of North Las Vegas,
2 being chapter 573, Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 1211, is hereby
3 amended to read as follows:

4 Sec. 1.080 Appointment of officers; city manager's director.

5 1. ~~At~~ ***Except as otherwise provided in section 3.050, all***
6 officers, not elected or covered under the civil service system,
7 ~~shall~~ ***must*** be appointed by the city manager subject to ratification
8 by the city council.

9 2. All departments, offices and agencies under the direction and
10 supervision of the city manager ~~shall~~ ***must*** be administered by an
11 officer subject to the direction and supervision of the city manager.
12 With the consent of the city council, the city manager may serve as
13 the head of two or more departments, offices or agencies or may
14 appoint one person to be head of two or more departments, offices
15 or agencies.

16 3. All appointive officers of the city ~~shall~~ ***are entitled to***
17 receive such salary as may be designated by the city council.

1 4. The city council may require from all other officers and
2 employees of the city constituted or appointed under this charter,
3 except councilmen, sufficient security for the faithful and honest
4 performance of their respective duties.

5 **Sec. 2.** Section 3.050 of the charter of the City of North Las Vegas,
6 being chapter 573, Statutes of Nevada 1971, at page 1221, is hereby
7 amended to read as follows:

8 Sec. 3.050 City attorney: ~~{Qualifications; duties.}~~
9 *Appointment; salary; qualifications; duties; removal.*

10 1. *The city council shall appoint a city attorney and fix his*
11 *salary.*

12 2. The city attorney ~~{shall}~~ *must* be a duly licensed member of
13 the State Bar of Nevada.

14 ~~{2.}~~ 3. The city attorney ~~{shall be}~~ *is* the *chief* legal officer of
15 the city and shall perform such duties as may be designated by *the*
16 *city council or prescribed by* ordinance.

17 4. *The city attorney is under the general direction and*
18 *supervision of the city council.*

19 5. *The city attorney serves at the pleasure of the city council*
20 *and may be removed by an affirmative vote of a majority of the*
21 *entire membership of the city council at any time.*