

## SENATE BILL NO. 560—COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

MAY 31, 1999

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Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Makes various changes relating to governmental administration. (BDR S-1788)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: Contains Appropriations not included in Executive Budget.

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

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AN ACT relating to governmental administration; making appropriations to various projects and programs that benefit the residents of this state; establishing a position of Weed Control Analyst and providing the powers and duties of the position; advancing the effective date of certain previously enacted provisions concerning the governmental regulation of the practice of dentistry; 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.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general  
2 fund to the State Department of Agriculture the sum of \$10,000 to establish  
3 and maintain a program for the eradication and control of nests and  
4 colonies of ants of the genus and species *Solenopsis invicta* or *Solenopsis*  
5 *richteri*, or a hybrid of either, and bees of the genus, species and subspecies  
6 *Apis mellifera scutellata*, or a hybrid thereof.

7   2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1  
8 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to  
9 the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have  
10 been made.

11   **Sec. 2.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to  
12 the State Department of Agriculture to carry out the provisions of sections  
13 33 and 34 of this act:

14           For the fiscal year 1999-2000.....\$46,764  
15           For the fiscal year 2000-2001.....\$54,845

1        2. Any balance of the sums appropriated by subsection 1  
2        remaining at the end of the respective fiscal years must not be  
3        committed for expenditure after June 30 of the respective fiscal  
4        years and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of  
5        money committed have been made.

6        **Sec. 3.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to  
7        the Department of Museums, Library and Arts the sum of \$200,000 for a  
8        Program Coordinator, additional staff person, and program and office  
9        expenses to continue the Nevada Humanities Committee Office in southern  
10      Nevada.

11      2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1  
12      must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to  
13      the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have  
14      been made.

15      **Sec. 4.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to  
16      the Department of Education for distribution to school districts to purchase  
17      library books:

18        For the fiscal year 1999-2000.....\$374,000

19        For the fiscal year 2000-2001.....\$374,000

20      2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, the board of trustees  
21      of a school district may submit an application to the Department of  
22      Education for a grant of money from the appropriation made by subsection  
23      1 on a form provided by the Department of Education. Such an application  
24      must include a description of the:

25        (a) Amount of money expended by the school district, excluding gifts  
26        and grants, in the immediately preceding year for the purchase of library  
27        books for use in the media centers of school libraries within the school  
28        district; and

29        (b) Financial needs of the school district to maintain an adequate supply  
30        of library books in the media centers of school libraries within the school  
31        district.

32      3. Upon receipt of such an application, the Department of Education  
33      shall review the application to determine whether it is complete. Except as  
34      otherwise provided in subsection 7, the Department of Education shall  
35      approve an application if it is complete.

36      4. The Department of Education shall apportion the money available  
37      for each fiscal year among the school districts whose applications have  
38      been approved. Each school district is entitled to receive, within the limits  
39      of money available, an amount equal to not more than 50 percent of the  
40      money that the school district expended, excluding gifts and grants, on the  
41      purchase of library books for use in the media centers of school libraries in  
42      the immediately preceding year.

1     5. The board of trustees of a school district that receives a grant of  
2 money pursuant to subsection 4 shall use the money to purchase library  
3 books for use in the media centers of school libraries.

4     6. The board of trustees of a school district that receives a grant of  
5 money pursuant to subsection 4 shall not use the money to:

6       (a) Supplant or cause to be reduced any other source of funding for the  
7 media centers of school libraries within the school district.

8       (b) Settle or arbitrate disputes or negotiate settlements between an  
9 organization that represents licensed employees of the school district and  
10 the school district.

11      (c) Adjust the schedules of salaries and benefits of the employees of the  
12 school district.

13     7. If the board of trustees of a school district receives a grant of money  
14 pursuant to subsection 4 for the fiscal year 1999-2000 and the board of  
15 trustees does not expend at least the amount of money, excluding gifts and  
16 grants, that the board of trustees expended in the immediately preceding  
17 year on the purchase of library books for media centers of school libraries,  
18 the board of trustees is not eligible to apply for a grant of money for the  
19 fiscal year 2000-2001. If the Department of Education receives an  
20 application from a school district and, upon review of the information  
21 contained in the application described in paragraph (a) of subsection 2, the  
22 Department determines that the board of trustees did not expend at least the  
23 amount of money that the board of trustees expended in the immediately  
24 preceding year on the purchase of library books for media centers of school  
25 libraries, the Department shall deny the application.

26     8. As used in this section, "media center of a school library" means a  
27 centralized collection of educational resources located in a school library  
28 that is designed to:

29       (a) Integrate the curriculum of a school;  
30       (b) Teach pupils skills in methods to acquire information; and  
31       (c) Ensure that teachers and pupils use the resources of information  
32 offered in a school library.

33     9. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1  
34 for:

35       (a) The fiscal year 1999-2000 must be transferred and added to the  
36 money appropriated for the fiscal year 2000-2001.

37       (b) The fiscal year 2000-2001, including any money added thereto  
38 pursuant to paragraph (a), must not be committed for expenditure after June  
39 30, 2001, and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of  
40 money committed have been made.

41     **Sec. 5.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to  
42 the University of Nevada School of Medicine for the expansion of the  
43 program administered by the Pediatric Diabetes and Endocrinology Center:

1 For the fiscal year 1999-2000 \$379,500

2 For the fiscal year 2000-2001.....\$379,500

3 2. The sums appropriated by subsection 1 are available for either fiscal  
4 year. Any balance of those sums must not be committed for expenditure  
5 after June 30, 2001, and reverts to the state general fund as soon as all  
6 payments of money committed have been made.

7 3. The money appropriated by subsection 1 must be used to pay the  
8 salaries of professional and support personnel on the multi-disciplinary  
9 team of the Pediatric Diabetes and Endocrinology Center, including,  
10 without limitation, pediatric endocrinologists, licensed clinical social  
11 workers, exercise physiologists, psychologists, health analysts,  
12 biostatisticians, nurse practitioners, registered nurses and registered  
13 dietitians.

14 4. The Pediatric Diabetes and Endocrinology Center shall create an  
15 advisory board consisting of the eight members of the executive committee  
16 of the Nevada Diabetes Council and three additional members who are  
17 medical and allied health professionals in the field of diabetes to provide  
18 advice to the Pediatric Diabetes and Endocrinology Center regarding the  
19 collaboration between the various state agencies, focusing primarily on the  
20 care and treatment of children with diabetes.

21 5. The Pediatric Diabetes Endocrinology Center shall ensure that a data  
22 analysis is conducted to evaluate the financial situation of the program  
23 administered by the center and the medical results of patients who receive  
24 care under the program. The advisory board shall monitor and review the  
25 data analysis and provide advice based on the results of the analysis.

26 **Sec. 6.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to  
27 the legislative fund the sum of \$250,000 for use by the Legislative  
28 Committee on Public Lands for the following purposes:

29 (a) To maximize opportunities for the transfer and acquisition of federal  
30 public lands within Nevada;  
31 (b) To study water management practices within the Humboldt River  
32 Basin; or  
33 (c) Any other purpose related to maximizing the utilization and  
34 enjoyment of public lands by Nevadans.

35 The money appropriated pursuant to this subsection may be expended  
36 directly by the Legislative Committee on Public Lands or through money  
37 granted to applicants.

38 2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1  
39 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to  
40 the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have  
41 been made.

42 **Sec. 7.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to  
43 the Office of Science, Engineering and Technology, established by NRS

1 396.798, for operating and travel expenses and salaries for a director, full-  
2 time staff assistant and half-time clerical position:

3 For the fiscal year 1999-2000.....\$280,081

4 For the fiscal year 2000-2001.....\$255,427

5 2. Any balance of the sums appropriated by subsection 1 remaining at  
6 the end of the respective fiscal years must not be committed for expenditure  
7 after June 30 of the respective fiscal years and reverts to the state general  
8 fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

9 **Sec. 8.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to  
10 the University and Community College System of Nevada the sum of  
11 \$75,000 for the design of a community college to be located in Mesquite.

12 2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1  
13 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to  
14 the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have  
15 been made.

16 **Sec. 9.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to  
17 the Department of Transportation the sum of \$300,000 for use with federal  
18 money received pursuant to 49 U.S.C. §§ 5310 and 5311, for operating  
19 costs and the purchase of paratransit vehicles for transportation programs  
20 for elderly persons and persons with disabilities.

21 2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1  
22 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to  
23 the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have  
24 been made.

25 **Sec. 10.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund  
26 to the Nevada Commission for National and Community Service the sum of  
27 \$125,000 for continuation of its programs dedicated to promoting citizen  
28 volunteerism.

29 2. The appropriation made by subsection 1 is contingent upon the  
30 Nevada Commission for National and Community Service obtaining  
31 matching money from the Federal Government. The Nevada Commission  
32 for National and Community Service shall submit a certification or other  
33 proof satisfactory to the State Controller that the matching money has been  
34 committed by the Federal Government before the money appropriated by  
35 subsection 1 may be distributed.

36 3. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1  
37 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to  
38 the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have  
39 been made.

40 **Sec. 11.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund  
41 to the Alliance for the Mentally Ill of Nevada the sum of \$75,000 for the  
42 expenses involved in the training of volunteers, the coordination of the  
43 "Family to Family" program and evaluation of its success, and for the

1 installation of a toll-free telephone number for persons to call who need  
2 help regarding caring for a family member with a serious brain disorder.

3 2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1  
4 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to  
5 the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have  
6 been made.

7 **Sec. 12.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund  
8 to "Kids Count" for development of statistics to determine priorities for  
9 funding programs for children:

10 For the fiscal year 1999-2000.....\$50,000

11 For the fiscal year 2000-2001.....\$100,000

12 2. Any balance of the sums appropriated by subsection 1 remaining at  
13 the end of the respective fiscal years must not be committed for expenditure  
14 after June 30 of the respective fiscal years and reverts to the state general  
15 fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

16 **Sec. 13.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund  
17 to the Life Line Pregnancy Assistance and Vocational Training Center the  
18 sum of \$200,000 for the continuation of its nonprofit pregnancy assistance,  
19 educational and vocational training center.

20 2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1  
21 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to  
22 the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have  
23 been made.

24 **Sec. 14.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund  
25 to Mineral County the sum of \$437,000 for expenses related to the  
26 renovation of the Hawthorne National Guard Armory into a facility to  
27 house juvenile offenders.

28 2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1  
29 must not be committed for expenditure after the project is completed and  
30 reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money  
31 committed have been made.

32 **Sec. 15.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund  
33 to the University and Community College System of Nevada the sum of  
34 \$175,000 for the purchase of ultrasound imaging equipment and the  
35 necessary computer support and training to operate the equipment.

36 2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1  
37 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to  
38 the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have  
39 been made.

40 **Sec. 16.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund  
41 to the National Judicial College the sum of \$120,000 for the Death Penalty  
42 Resource Center to provide education and training for judges, prosecutors  
43 and defense attorneys regarding the laws relating to capital punishment.

1       2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1  
2 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to  
3 the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have  
4 been made.

5       **Sec. 17.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund  
6 to the Department of Education for vocational student organizations:

7           For the fiscal year 1999-2000.....\$100,000

8           For the fiscal year 2000-2001.....\$100,000

9       2. All expenditures of the money appropriated by subsection 1 must be  
10 recorded and accounted for in the accounts of the State of Nevada or a  
11 school district to which the money has been granted.

12      3. Any balance of the sums appropriated by subsection 1 remaining at  
13 the end of the respective fiscal years must not be committed for expenditure  
14 after June 30 of the respective fiscal years and reverts to the state general  
15 fund as soon as all payments of money committed have been made.

16      **Sec. 18.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund  
17 to the Division of Mental Health and Developmental Services of the  
18 Department of Human Resources the sum of \$200,000 to contract with  
19 community-based agencies to provide enhanced suicide hotline services  
20 and expanded suicide hotline services statewide.

21      2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1  
22 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to  
23 the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have  
24 been made.

25      **Sec. 19.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund  
26 to Washoe County the sum of \$80,000 for the Gerlach Community Center  
27 Expansion Project.

28      2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1  
29 must not be committed for expenditure after the project is completed and  
30 reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money  
31 committed have been made.

32      **Sec. 20.** There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to  
33 the Make-A-Wish Foundation in Reno, the sum of \$100,000, and to the  
34 Make-A-Wish Foundation in Las Vegas, the sum of \$100,000.

35      **Sec. 21.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund  
36 to the University and Community College System of Nevada the sum of  
37 \$250,000 for the Harry Reid Center for Environmental Studies at the  
38 University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

39      2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1  
40 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to  
41 the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have  
42 been made.

1     **Sec. 22.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund  
2 to the Department of Education the sum of \$123,750 for operating and  
3 other expenses of the "Classroom on Wheels" program.

4     2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1  
5 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to  
6 the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have  
7 been made.

8     **Sec. 23.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state highway fund  
9 to the Department of Transportation the sum of \$67,000 for the erection of  
10 directional signs on West Desert Inn Road. The Department of  
11 Transportation and Clark County shall cooperatively design and install the  
12 required directional signage.

13     2. Clark County may use the money appropriated by subsection 1 only  
14 if matching money is provided by Clark County from sources other than the  
15 appropriation made by subsection 1.

16     3. The State Controller shall not distribute any money from the  
17 appropriation made pursuant to subsection 1 until Clark County has  
18 committed the matching money required by subsection 2.

19     4. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1,  
20 must not be committed for expenditure after the project is completed and  
21 reverts to the state highway fund as soon as all payments of money  
22 committed have been made.

23     **Sec. 24.** There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund to  
24 the Nevada Women's Fund the sum of \$50,000.

25     **Sec. 25.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund  
26 to the State Public Works Board the sum of \$2,000,000 for capital  
27 improvement projects approved by the 70th session of the Nevada  
28 Legislature to be allocated as follows:

29         (a) \$1,000,000 for Campus Improvements, UNLV, project No. 99-U2.

30         (b) \$1,000,000 for Campus Improvements, UNR, project No. 99-U3.

31         2. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 1 of Assembly Bill No.  
32 699 of this session, the sum appropriated by section 1 is to reduce the  
33 amount of general obligation bonds authorized for capital improvements  
34 projects Nos. 99-U2 and 99-U3 by the amount allocated for each of those  
35 projects pursuant to subsection 1.

36     **Sec. 26.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund  
37 to the Economic Opportunity Board of Clark County the sum of \$250,000  
38 for the replacement of its paratransit fleet that provides transportation for  
39 senior citizens, children and persons with disabilities.

40         2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1 of  
41 this act must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and  
42 reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money  
43 committed have been made.

1     **Sec. 27.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund  
2 to the Health Division of the Department of Human Resources the sum of  
3 \$25,000 for carrying out the provisions of section 10 of Senate Bill No. 197  
4 of this session.

5     2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1  
6 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to  
7 the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have  
8 been made.

9     **Sec. 28.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund  
10 to the veterans' home that is established in southern Nevada the sum of  
11 \$15,000 for the operational costs of the on-site facility that provides  
12 temporary housing for the spouses of veterans residing in the veterans'  
13 home.

14     2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1  
15 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to  
16 the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have  
17 been made.

18     **Sec. 29.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund  
19 to the Las Vegas Springs Preserve Foundation the sum of \$50,000.

20     2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1  
21 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2001, and reverts to  
22 the state general fund as soon as all payments of money committed have  
23 been made.

24     **Sec. 30.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the state general fund  
25 to the Interim Finance Committee for distribution to Douglas County the  
26 sum of \$2,800,000 for improvements to and the expansion of the China  
27 Spring Youth Camp including:

28         (a) The construction of a new 24-bed female juvenile dormitory;  
29         (b) The construction of a new 40-bed male juvenile dormitory;  
30         (c) The construction of an administration building; and  
31         (d) Improvements to the septic system to handle the increased  
32 population.

33     2. The Interim Finance Committee shall distribute to Douglas County  
34 an amount equal to the actual cost for the work performed up to the amount  
35 appropriated pursuant to subsection 1 after it receives a report from  
36 Douglas County of the work performed and the actual cost for that work.

37     3. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1  
38 must not be committed for expenditure after the projects are completed and  
39 reverts to the state general fund as soon as all payments of money  
40 committed have been made.

1   **Sec. 31.** Senate Bill No. 181 of this session is hereby amended by  
2 adding thereto a new section, designated sec. 10, following sec. 9, to read  
3 as follows:

4       **Sec. 10.** This act becomes effective upon passage and  
5 approval.

6       **Sec. 32.** Chapter 555 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the  
7 provisions set forth as sections 33 and 34 of this act:

8       **Sec. 33. 1. *The position of weed control analyst is hereby created  
9 in the department.***

10       **2. *The director shall appoint the weed control analyst. The person so  
11 appointed:***

12       **(a) *Is in the classified service of the state;***

13       **(b) *Must be a scientist who possesses a master's degree in one of the  
14 biological sciences from an accredited college or university; and***

15       **(c) *Must be selected on the basis of his training, experience, capability  
16 and interest in biological methods of controlling noxious weeds.***

17       **Sec. 34. *The weed control analyst shall:***

18       **1. *Research biological methods of controlling noxious weeds in this  
19 state;***

20       **2. *Document the effectiveness of those methods in controlling  
21 noxious weeds;***

22       **3. *Develop strategies for managing noxious weeds in this state; and***

23       **4. *Perform such other duties as requested by the director.***

24       **Sec. 35.** NRS 561.305 is hereby amended to read as follows:

25       561.305 The department shall establish and maintain a laboratory for  
26 the following purposes:

27       1. The diagnosis of infectious, contagious and parasitic diseases of  
28 livestock, as may be necessary under the provisions of chapter 571 of NRS.

29       2. The diagnosis of infectious, contagious and parasitic diseases of  
30 bees, as may be necessary under the provisions of NRS 552.085 to  
31 552.310, inclusive.

32       3. The diagnosis of infectious, contagious and destructive diseases of  
33 agricultural commodities, and infestations thereof by pests, as may be  
34 necessary under the provisions of NRS 554.010 to 554.240, inclusive.

35       4. The survey and identification of insect pests, plant diseases and  
36 noxious weeds, and the maintenance of a herbarium, as may be necessary  
37 under the provisions of NRS 555.010 to 555.249, inclusive **14, and**  
38 **sections 33 and 34 of this act.**

39       5. The testing of pesticides, as may be necessary under the provisions  
40 of NRS 555.2605 to 555.460, inclusive, and 586.010 to 586.450, inclusive.

41       6. The safekeeping and maintenance of official standards of weights  
42 and measures, as may be necessary under the provisions of chapter 581 of  
43 NRS.

1     7. The testing and grading of agricultural products and the testing of  
2 the purity and germinating power of agricultural seeds and the testing of the  
3 spray residue contained in produce, as may be necessary under the  
4 provisions of chapter 587 of NRS.

5     8. The analysis and testing of commercial fertilizers and agricultural  
6 minerals, as may be necessary under the provisions of NRS 588.010 to  
7 588.350, inclusive.

8     9. The analysis and testing of petroleum products, as may be necessary  
9 under the provisions of NRS 590.010 to 590.150, inclusive.

10    10. The analysis and testing of antifreeze, as may be necessary under  
11 the provisions of NRS 590.340 to 590.450, inclusive.

12    11. Any laboratory examinations, diagnoses, analyses or testing as may  
13 be deemed necessary by the director and which can be made with  
14 equipment available in any such laboratory. Any ~~person~~ **resident of this**  
15 **state** may submit samples to the department for examination, diagnosis,  
16 analysis or testing, subject to such rules and regulations as may be adopted  
17 by the director.

18    **Sec. 36.** 1. This section and section 31 of this act become effective  
19 upon passage and approval.

20    2. Sections 1 to 27, inclusive, 32, 33 and 34 of this act become  
21 effective on July 1, 1999.

22    3. Section 35 of this act becomes effective at 12:01 a.m. on July 1,  
23 1999.

24    4. Sections 28, 29 and 30 of this act become effective on July 1, 2000.

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