ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 195-COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

(ON BEHALF OF DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES—DIRECTOR'S OFFICE)

FEBRUARY 20, 2001

Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to Nevada silver haired legislative forum. (BDR 38-534)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

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Effect on the State: No.

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

AN ACT relating to aging persons; authorizing the Nevada silver haired legislative forum to operate independently of the aging services division of the department of human resources; requiring the legislative commission to appoint the members of the Nevada silver haired legislative forum; revising the membership of the forum; 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 427A of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. All money received by the Nevada silver haired legislative forum must be deposited in a bank, credit union or other financial institution in this state and paid out on its order for its expenses.

2. All expenses incurred by the Nevada silver haired legislative forum in carrying out the provisions of NRS 427A.320 to 427A.400, inclusive, must be paid from an account established pursuant to subsection 1.

Sec. 2. NRS 427A.320 is hereby amended to read as follows:

427A.320 The **division shall establish the** Nevada silver haired legislative forum is hereby created to identify and act upon issues of 12 importance to aging persons. 13

Sec. 3. NRS 427A.330 is hereby amended to read as follows:

427A.330 [1. The governor] The legislative commission shall, at its first meeting after a regular session of the legislature, appoint [21] 12 15

persons to the Nevada silver haired legislative forum 1, of whom not more



than 11 may be members of the same political party. The governor shall appoint from each senatorial district a number of members equal to the number of state senators that represent the senatorial district.] who have been nominated pursuant to this section. Each member of the legislative commission shall nominate a person who meets the requirements for appointment to the forum set forth in NRS 427A.340. Each member of the forum serves for a term of 2 years or until his successor is appointed.

[2. Appointments to the Nevada silver haired legislative forum must be made by the governor before December 1 of an odd numbered year. The term of a member begins on December 1 of the odd numbered year of appointment.

3. The members of the Nevada silver haired legislative forum from Clark County senatorial districts 2, 3, 4, 7 and 8, Washoe County senatorial districts 1 and 3, the Capital senatorial district and the Western Nevada senatorial district serve an initial term of 1 year. The eight members of the Nevada silver haired legislative forum from the remaining senatorial districts serve an initial term of 2 years. After the initial terms, each member serves a term of 2 years.

Sec. 4. NRS 427A.340 is hereby amended to read as follows:

427A.340 A member of the Nevada silver haired legislative forum must:

- 1. Have been a resident of this state for 5 years immediately preceding his appointment;
- 2. Have been a registered voter in the **[senatorial district that he is to represent]** *legislative district of the legislator who nominated him* for 3 years immediately preceding his appointment; and
 - 3. Be at least 60 years of age on the day that he is appointed.
- Sec. 5. NRS 427A.360 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 427A.360 1. A position in the Nevada silver haired legislative forum becomes vacant upon:
 - (a) The death or resignation of a member.

- (b) The illness of a member that prevents him from attending three consecutive meetings of the Nevada silver haired legislative forum.
- (c) The absence of a member for any reason from three consecutive meetings of the Nevada silver haired legislative forum.
- 2. If a vacancy occurs, the **[governor] legislative commission** shall appoint a person to serve the remainder of the unexpired term. The **[governor] legislative commission** may appoint a person whose membership in the national silver haired congress has ended to fill a vacancy in the Nevada silver haired legislative forum.
 - **Sec. 6.** NRS 427A.370 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 427A.370 *1.* The Nevada silver haired legislative forum shall elect from among its members, to serve a term of 1 year:
- [1.] (a) A president, who shall conduct meetings and oversee the formation of committees as necessary to accomplish the purposes of the Nevada silver haired legislative forum.
- [2.] (b) A vice president, who shall assist the president and conduct meetings of the Nevada silver haired legislative forum if the president is absent or otherwise unable to perform his duties.



[3.] (c) A secretary, who shall:

 (1) Prepare and keep a record of meetings, including, without limitation, the date, time, place and purpose of every meeting; and

[(b)] (2) At the first meeting every year of the Nevada silver haired legislative forum, prepare a list of the dates of the meetings that are scheduled for the year.

[4.] (d) A treasurer, who shall [prepare and keep a list of the expenses of the Nevada silver haired legislative forum to be sent to the division for payment.], with the assistance of the director of the legislative counsel bureau, administer any account established pursuant to section 1 of this act.

- 2. The director of the legislative counsel bureau shall provide such persons as are necessary to assist the Nevada silver haired legislative forum in carrying out its duties.
 - **Sec. 7.** NRS 427A.380 is hereby amended to read as follows:

427A.380 The Nevada silver haired legislative forum may :

- 1. Meet 1 day each month during the regular session of the legislature in the legislative building in Carson City.
- 2. Meet and hold public hearings at least 1 day during each of the months of June, July and August during each even numbered year.
- —3.], within the limits of legislative appropriations and any gifts, grants or donations received by the forum:
- 1. During the period in which the legislature is not in a regular session, hold three public hearings in three different areas of this state and may hold an additional public hearing in any area of this state to prepare the report authorized by NRS 427A.390.
 - 2. Comply with chapter 241 of NRS.
 - **Sec. 8.** NRS 427A.390 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 427A.390 The Nevada silver haired legislative forum may:
- 1. Submit a report containing [topics for possible] recommendations for legislative action to the legislative commission and the governor before [September] July 1 of each even-numbered year.
- 2. Accept gifts, grants and donations that must be deposited in the state treasury for credit to the aging services division's gift account in the department of human resources' gift fund. A gift, grant or donation to the Nevada silver haired legislative forum may be expended only in carrying out the duties of the Nevada silver haired legislative forum.] an account established pursuant to section 1 of this act.
- 3. Adopt procedures to conduct meetings of the Nevada silver haired legislative forum and committees thereof. [These] Those procedures may be changed upon approval of a majority vote of all members of the Nevada silver haired legislative forum who are present and voting.
 - **Sec. 9.** NRS 427A.400 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 427A.400 Within the limits of legislative appropriations, and any gifts, grants and donations :
- 1. The division shall pay the expenses of the Nevada silver haired legislative forum.
- 2. Each member of the Nevada silver haired legislative forum is entitled to receive for attendance at a meeting of the Nevada silver haired



legislative forum or a committee thereof the per diem allowance and travel 2 expenses provided for state officers and employees generally.

Sec. 10. NRS 427A.410 is hereby repealed.

Sec. 11. On July 1, 2001, or as soon thereafter as practicable, the state controller shall draw his warrant, payable to the Nevada silver haired legislative forum, for the amount of money in the aging services division's gift account in the department of human resources' gift fund that was

credited to that account pursuant to NRS 427A.390.

Sec. 12. The term of each member of the Nevada silver haired legislative forum who is incumbent on June 1, 2001, expires on July 1, 10 11 2001. 12

Sec. 13. This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

TEXT OF REPEALED SECTION

427A.410 Regulations. The division may adopt such regulations as are necessary to carry out the provisions of NRS 427A.320 to 427A.410, inclusive.



