

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 604—COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

(ON BEHALF OF DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION—BUDGET DIVISION)

MARCH 26, 2001

Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

SUMMARY—Makes various changes relating to awards for state employees.
(BDR 23-1307)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: 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 state employees; changing the circumstances under which the governor or the head of a state agency may issue an award for public service to a state employee; requiring the state board of examiners to prescribe a maximum amount of money that may be spent on such an award; 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.** NRS 285.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 285.010 As used in this chapter unless the context otherwise requires:
3 1. “Adoption” means the putting of an employee suggestion into
4 effect.
5 2. “Board” means the merit award board.
6 3. “Employee suggestion” means a proposal by a state employee
7 which would:
8 (a) Reduce or eliminate state expenditures; or
9 (b) Improve the operation of state government.
10 4. ~~“Longevity award” means a suitable symbol, other than money, of~~
11 ~~continuous and faithful service in state government for a period of 5, 10,~~
12 ~~20, 30 or 40 years by a state employee.~~
13 ~~—5.4~~ “Merit award” means an award to a state employee for an adopted
14 suggestion in the form of either the governor’s certificate of commendation
15 or a cash payment.
16 ~~16.4~~ **5.** “State employee” means any person employed by a state
17 agency who is not the head of the department.



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1 **Sec. 2.** NRS 285.080 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 285.080 *1.* The governor or head of a state agency may present
3 ~~longevity~~ *service* awards to state employees if:
4 ~~1.1~~ *(a)* The cost of each award does not exceed ~~the amount~~ *the amount*
5 ~~established by the state board of examiners;~~ and
6 ~~1.2~~ *(b)* The office of the governor or the agency has sufficient funds
7 available for such awards.
8 *2. The state board of examiners shall establish by regulation a*
9 *maximum amount of money that the governor or the head of a state*
10 *agency may spend on a service award pursuant to this section.*
11 *3. As used in this section, "service award" means a suitable symbol,*
12 *other than money, for faithful and exceptional public service.*
13 **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2001.

