

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 648—COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

MARCH 26, 2001

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Provides for formation of regional fire protection district in certain counties.
(BDR 42-327)

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 protection from fire; providing in skeleton form for the formation of a regional fire protection district in certain counties; 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.** Title 42 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a
2 new chapter to consist of the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 6,
3 inclusive, of this act.
- 4 **Sec. 2.** *As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise*
5 *provides, “district” means a regional fire protection district.*
- 6 **Sec. 3.** *In a county whose population is 100,000 or more but less*
7 *than 400,000, the board of county commissioners and the governing body*
8 *of one or more incorporated cities in the county may establish a regional*
9 *fire protection district. To establish such a district, the participating*
10 *political subdivisions must each conduct a public hearing on the matter*
11 *and adopt a resolution approving the establishment of the district.*
- 12 **Sec. 4.** *The district must be governed by a board of directors. The*
13 *participating political subdivisions shall provide for the composition and*
14 *election of the board by interlocal agreement.*
- 15 **Sec. 5.** *The board of directors shall:*
 - 16 1. *Manage and conduct the business and affairs of the district.*
 - 17 2. *Make and enforce all rules and regulations necessary for the*
18 *administration and government of the district and for the furnishing of*
19 *fire protection thereto, which may include regulations relating to fire*
20 *prevention.*
 - 21 3. *Organize, regulate, establish and disband fire companies,*
22 *departments or volunteer fire departments for the district.*



- 1 4. *Make and execute in the name of the district all necessary*
- 2 *contracts.*
- 3 5. *Adopt a seal for the district to be used in the attestation of proper*
- 4 *documents.*
- 5 6. *Provide for the payment from the proper fund of all the debts and*
- 6 *just claims against the district.*
- 7 7. *Employ agents and employees for the district sufficient to*
- 8 *maintain and operate the property acquired for the purposes of the*
- 9 *district.*
- 10 8. *Acquire real or personal property necessary for the purposes of*
- 11 *the district and dispose of that property when no longer needed.*
- 12 9. *Construct any necessary structures.*
- 13 10. *Acquire, hold and possess, either by donation or purchase, in the*
- 14 *name and on behalf of the district any land or other property necessary*
- 15 *for the purpose of the district.*
- 16 11. *Eliminate and remove fire hazards within the district wherever*
- 17 *practicable and possible, whether or not on private or public premises,*
- 18 *and to that end the board may clear the public highways and private*
- 19 *lands of dry grass, stubble, brush, rubbish or other inflammable material*
- 20 *which, in its judgment, constitutes a fire hazard.*
- 21 12. *Perform all other acts necessary, proper and convenient to*
- 22 *accomplish the purposes of the district.*
- 23 **Sec. 6.** 1. *The board of directors may purchase, acquire by*
- 24 *donation or otherwise, lease, operate and maintain ambulances*
- 25 *whenever necessary, and may take out liability and other insurance*
- 26 *therefor.*
- 27 2. *The board of directors may employ trained personnel to operate*
- 28 *these vehicles.*

