

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 79—ASSEMBLYMEN DINI, NEIGHBORS, CARPENTER,  
PRICE, ANDERSON, DE BRAGA, GIBBONS, HUMKE, MARVEL AND  
PERKINS

FEBRUARY 9, 2001

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing issuance of permits for exploration projects and mining operations. (BDR 46-1108)

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 mining; providing for the issuance of interim permits to engage in an exploration project or mining operation; 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.** Chapter 519A of NRS is hereby amended by adding
- 2 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 and 3 of this act.
- 3 **Sec. 2.** *“Permit” means a permit authorized by the provisions of this*
- 4 *chapter. The term includes an interim permit described in section 3 of*
- 5 *this act.*
- 6 **Sec. 3.** *1. Within 15 days after the division receives an application*
- 7 *for a permit pursuant to the provisions of NRS 519A.190 or 519A.210,*
- 8 *the division shall review the application and notify the applicant if any*
- 9 *additional information is required to complete the application. The notice*
- 10 *must state the additional information that is required.*
- 11 *2. If an applicant provides additional information to the division to*
- 12 *complete an application pursuant to the provisions of subsection 1, the*
- 13 *division shall, within 15 days after receiving the additional information,*
- 14 *notify the applicant if more additional information is required. The*
- 15 *notice must state the additional information that is required.*
- 16 *3. An applicant who submits to the division an application specified*
- 17 *in subsection 1 shall be deemed to have been issued an interim permit if:*
- 18 *(a) The division fails to approve or deny an application specified in*
- 19 *subsection 1 within 30 days after the division receives it; and*



1     ***(b) The applicant has filed with the division a bond or other surety in***  
2     ***accordance with the provisions of:***

3         ***(1) Subsection 5 of NRS 519A.190, if the application is for a permit***  
4         ***to engage in an exploration project; or***

5         ***(2) Subsection 5 of NRS 519A.210, if the application is for a permit***  
6         ***to engage in a mining operation.***

7     ***4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, an applicant who is***  
8     ***deemed to have been issued an interim permit pursuant to subsection 3 is***  
9     ***authorized to engage in the exploration project or mining operation for***  
10    ***which he submitted his application, in the same manner and under the***  
11    ***same conditions as if the division had approved his application and***  
12    ***issued a permit, from the 31st day after the application was received by***  
13    ***the division or the date on which the requirements of paragraph (b) of***  
14    ***subsection 3 are satisfied, whichever is later, until the division approves***  
15    ***or denies the application.***

16    ***5. If an applicant fails to provide additional information requested by***  
17    ***the division within 15 days after he receives the request for additional***  
18    ***information from the division, any interim permit deemed to have been***  
19    ***issued to him for the project or operation to which the additional***  
20    ***information applies is suspended from the 16th day after he receives the***  
21    ***request for additional information until the division receives the***  
22    ***additional information.***

23    ***6. Any notice provided by the division to an applicant and any***  
24    ***information provided by the applicant to the division pursuant to the***  
25    ***provisions of this section must be served personally or by certified mail,***  
26    ***return receipt requested.***

27    ***7. The division shall not impose a fee for an interim permit described***  
28    ***in this section.***

29    **Sec. 4.** NRS 519A.020 is hereby amended to read as follows:

30         519A.020 As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise  
31         requires, the words and terms defined in NRS 519A.030 to 519A.130,  
32         inclusive, ***and section 2 of this act*** have the meanings ascribed to them in  
33         those sections.

34    **Sec. 5.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2001.

