## ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 84-COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE, AND MINING

## FEBRUARY 12, 2001

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing conservation districts. (BDR 49-744)

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 formitted material is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to conservation districts; revising the period for filling a vacancy in the office of supervisor of a district; revising the powers of a district and the supervisors thereof; 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.** NRS 548.295 is hereby amended to read as follows: 548.295 1. [Vacancies] A vacancy in the office of supervisor of a district must be filled for the unexpired term within 2 weeks of the occurrence of the vacancy, as soon as practicable after the office becomes vacant, by appointment by the remaining supervisors of the district.

2. The chairman of the district governing body of a district shall certify all such appointments immediately to the commission and to the administrative officer of the division.

**Sec. 2.** NRS 548.355 is hereby amended to read as follows: 548.355 In addition to other powers granted in this chapter, a district

and the supervisors thereof [shall have the power to carry] may:

1. Carry out preventive and control measures within the district, including, but not limited to, engineering operations, methods of cultivation, the growing of vegetation and changes in *the* use of land <del>[, on</del> lands]; and

2. Repair and restore property within the district, including, but not limited to, wetlands, stream corridors and other riparian property, on land owned or controlled by [this state or any of its agencies,] any government or municipal corporation, with the cooperation of the agency administering and having jurisdiction thereof, and on any other [lands] land within the district, upon obtaining the consent of the occupier of such



lands or the necessary all persons holding any relevant rights or interests in such [lands.] land.

**Sec. 3.** NRS 548.360 is hereby amended to read as follows:

548.360 In addition to other powers granted in this chapter, a district and the supervisors thereof [shall have the power to] may cooperate or enter into agreements with and, within the limits of appropriations [duly] made available to it by law [, to] and any money it acquires from any other source, furnish financial or other aid to any governmental or other agency, [governmental or otherwise,] or any occupier of [lands] land within the district, in conserving renewable natural resources within the district, subject to such conditions as the supervisors may deem necessary to advance the purposes of this chapter.

**Sec. 4.** NRS 548.380 is hereby amended to read as follows:

548.380 In addition to other powers granted in this chapter, a district and the supervisors thereof [shall have the power:

1. To manage may:

- 1. Manage or administer any project for the conservation of a renewable natural resource [conservation project] located within its boundaries undertaken by [the United States or any of its agencies, or by this state or any of its agencies.
- 2. To act as agent for the United States, or any of its agencies, or for this state or any of its agencies,] any person, municipal corporation or government.
- 2. Act as an agent of any person, municipal corporation or government in connection with the acquisition, construction, operation or administration of any project for the conservation of a renewable natural resource [conservation project] within its boundaries.
- 3. [To accept] Accept donations, gifts and contributions in money, services, materials or totherwise from the United States or any of its agencies, or from this state or any of its agencies, and total any other form from any source, and use or expend such money, money, services, materials or other contributions in carrying on its operations.
- 4. [To participate] Participate in cost-sharing on federally financed projects.
- **Sec. 5.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2001.



