

Senate Bill No. 135—Senators Care, Amodei, Wiener,
Titus, Carlton and Jacobsen

Joint Sponsor: Assemblyman Neighbors

CHAPTER.....

AN ACT relating to veterans' homes; requiring the appointment of an administrator for each veterans' home in this state and establishing his qualifications; 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 417.147 is hereby amended to read as follows:

417.147 1. The executive director shall:

(a) *Appoint an administrator for each veterans' home in this state. Each administrator must be licensed as a nursing facility administrator pursuant to NRS 654.170.*

(b) Take such *other* actions as are necessary for the maintenance and operation of veterans' homes in this state. ~~† and~~

~~—(b)†~~ (c) Apply for federal grants and other sources of money available for establishing veterans' homes. Federal grants and other money received pursuant to this paragraph must be deposited with the state treasurer for credit to the veterans' home account. A federal grant must be used only as permitted by the terms of the grant.

2. The first veterans' home that is established in this state must be established at a location in southern Nevada determined to be appropriate by the interim finance committee. The interim finance committee shall give preference to a site that is zoned appropriately for the establishment of a veterans' home, that affords minimum costs of maintenance and that is located in an area where the members of the families of the veterans can easily visit the veterans' home. The site for the construction of the veterans' home in southern Nevada must be:

(a) Located in reasonable proximity to:

(1) A public transportation system;

(2) Shopping centers; and

(3) A major hospital that has a center for the treatment of trauma which is designated as a level II center by the administrator of the health division of the department of human resources.

(b) Not less than 5 acres in area.

3. If an additional veterans' home is authorized, it must be established in northern Nevada.

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2001.