

SENATE BILL NO. 146—COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

(ON BEHALF OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR HUNT)

FEBRUARY 15, 2001

Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing employees of office of lieutenant governor.
(BDR 18-120)

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 the office of the lieutenant governor; removing the employees of the office of the lieutenant governor from the classified and unclassified service of the state; requiring the lieutenant governor to adopt certain rules and policies and determine the salaries and benefits of the employees of the office of the lieutenant governor; 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 224 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a
2 new section to read as follows:

3 ***1. The lieutenant governor may, within the limits of available money,***
4 ***employ such persons as he deems necessary to provide an appropriate***
5 ***staff for the office of the lieutenant governor. Any such employees are***
6 ***not in the classified or unclassified service of the state and serve at the***
7 ***pleasure of the lieutenant governor.***

8 ***2. The lieutenant governor shall:***

9 ***(a) Determine the salaries and benefits of the persons employed***
10 ***pursuant to subsection 1, within limits of money available for that***
11 ***purpose; and***

12 ***(b) Adopt such rules and policies as he deems appropriate to establish***
13 ***the duties and employment rights of the persons employed pursuant to***
14 ***subsection 1.***

15 **Sec. 2.** NRS 284.140 is hereby amended to read as follows:

16 284.140 ~~The~~ ***Except as otherwise provided in NRS 223.085 and***
17 ***223.570, and section 1 of this act, the*** unclassified service of the state
18 consists of positions held by state officers or employees in the executive
19 department of the state government as follows:



- 1 1. Persons chosen by election or appointment to fill an elective office.
- 2 2. Members of boards and commissions, and heads of departments,
- 3 agencies and institutions required by law to be appointed.
- 4 3. At the discretion of the elective officer or head of each department,
- 5 agency or institution, one deputy and one chief assistant in each
- 6 department, agency or institution.
- 7 4. ~~Except as otherwise provided in NRS 223.085 and 223.570, all~~ *All*
- 8 persons required by law to be appointed by the governor or heads of
- 9 departments or agencies appointed by the governor or by boards.
- 10 5. All employees other than clerical in the office of the attorney
- 11 general and the state public defender required by law to be appointed by
- 12 the attorney general or the state public defender.
- 13 6. Except as otherwise provided by the board of regents of the
- 14 University of Nevada pursuant to NRS 396.251, officers and members of
- 15 the teaching staff and the staffs of the agricultural extension department
- 16 and experiment station of the University and Community College System
- 17 of Nevada, or any other state institution of learning, and student employees
- 18 of these institutions. Custodial, clerical or maintenance employees of these
- 19 institutions are in the classified service. The board of regents of the
- 20 University of Nevada shall assist the director in carrying out the provisions
- 21 of this chapter applicable to the University and Community College
- 22 System of Nevada.
- 23 7. Officers and members of the Nevada National Guard.
- 24 8. Persons engaged in public work for the state but employed by
- 25 contractors when the performance of the contract is authorized by the
- 26 legislature or another competent authority.
- 27 9. Patient and inmate help in state charitable, penal, mental and
- 28 correctional institutions.
- 29 10. Part-time professional personnel who are paid for any form of
- 30 medical, nursing or other professional service and who are not engaged in
- 31 the performance of administrative or substantially recurring duties.
- 32 11. All other officers and employees authorized by law to be employed
- 33 in the unclassified service.
- 34 **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2001, notwithstanding
- 35 any statutory provision setting forth specific annual salaries by position or
- 36 title within the office of the lieutenant governor.

