

SENATE BILL NO. 480—COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

(ON BEHALF OF DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION—BUDGET DIVISION)

MARCH 23, 2001

Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Authorizes governor to set date for submittal of agency budgets and requires economic forum to make certain projections and estimates earlier. (BDR 31-1441)

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 state financial administration; authorizing the governor to set the date for the submittal of agency budgets; requiring the economic forum to make certain projections and estimates earlier; 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.** NRS 353.210 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
2     353.210 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, ~~on or~~  
3     ~~before August 15 of each even numbered year,~~ *the governor shall set a*  
4     *date for each even numbered year by which* all departments, institutions  
5     and other agencies of the executive department of the state government,  
6     and all agencies of the executive department of the state government  
7     receiving state money, fees or other money under the authority of the state,  
8     including those operating on money designated for specific purposes by the  
9     constitution or otherwise, shall prepare, on blanks furnished them by the  
10    chief, and submit to the chief estimates of their expenditure requirements,  
11    together with all anticipated income from fees and all other sources, for the  
12    next 2 fiscal years compared with the corresponding figures of the last  
13    completed fiscal year and the estimated figures for the current fiscal year.  
14    2. The chief shall direct that one copy of the forms submitted pursuant  
15    to subsection 1, accompanied by every supporting schedule and any other  
16    related material, be delivered directly to the fiscal analysis division of the  
17    legislative counsel bureau on ~~or before August 15 of each even numbered~~  
18    ~~year,~~ *the date set by the governor pursuant to subsection 1.*



1 3. The budget division of the department of administration shall give  
2 advance notice to the fiscal analysis division of the legislative counsel  
3 bureau of any conference between the budget division of the department of  
4 administration and personnel of other state agencies regarding budget  
5 estimates. A fiscal analyst of the legislative counsel bureau or his  
6 designated representative may attend any such conference.

7 4. The estimates of expenditure requirements submitted pursuant to  
8 subsection 1 must be classified to set forth the data of funds, organizational  
9 units, and the character and objects of expenditures, and must include a  
10 mission statement and measurement indicators for each program. The  
11 organizational units may be subclassified by functions and activities, or in  
12 any other manner at the discretion of the chief.

13 5. If any department, institution or other agency of the executive  
14 department of the state government, whether its money is derived from  
15 state money or from other money collected under the authority of the state,  
16 fails or neglects to submit estimates of its expenditure requirements as  
17 provided in this section, the chief may, from any data at hand in his office  
18 or which he may examine or obtain elsewhere, make and enter a proposed  
19 budget for the department, institution or agency in accordance with the  
20 data.

21 6. Agencies, bureaus, commissions and officers of the legislative  
22 department, the public employees' retirement system and the judicial  
23 department of the state government shall submit to the chief for his  
24 information in preparing the proposed executive budget the budgets which  
25 they propose to submit to the legislature.

26 **Sec. 2.** NRS 353.228 is hereby amended to read as follows:

27 353.228 1. The economic forum impaneled pursuant to NRS 353.226  
28 shall:

29 (a) Make such projections for economic indicators as it deems necessary  
30 to ensure that an accurate estimate is produced pursuant to paragraph (b);

31 (b) Provide an accurate estimate of the revenue that will be collected by  
32 the state for general, unrestricted uses, and not for special purposes, during  
33 the biennium that begins on the second July 1 following the date on which  
34 the economic forum was impaneled;

35 (c) Request such technical assistance as the economic forum deems  
36 necessary from the technical advisory committee *on future state revenues*  
37 created by NRS 353.229;

38 (d) On or before ~~December~~ *November* 1 of the year in which the  
39 economic forum was impaneled, prepare a written report of its projections  
40 of economic indicators and estimate of future state revenue required by  
41 paragraphs (a) and (b) and present the report to the governor and the  
42 legislature; and

43 (e) On or before May 1 of the year following the year in which the  
44 economic forum was impaneled, prepare a written report confirming or  
45 revising the projections of economic indicators and estimate of future state  
46 revenue contained in the report prepared pursuant to paragraph (d) and  
47 present the report to the governor and the legislature.

48 2. The economic forum may make preliminary projections of  
49 economic indicators and estimates of future state revenue at any time. Any



1 such projections and estimates must be made available to the various  
2 agencies of the state through the chief.

3 3. The economic forum may request information directly from any  
4 state agency. A state agency that receives a reasonable request for  
5 information from the economic forum shall comply with the request as  
6 soon as is reasonably practicable after receiving the request.

7 4. To carry out its duties pursuant to this section, the economic forum  
8 may consider any information received from the technical advisory  
9 committee and any other information received from independent sources.

10 5. Copies of the projections and estimates made pursuant to this  
11 section must be made available to the public by the director of the  
12 legislative counsel bureau for the cost of reproducing the material.

