ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 304–ASSEMBLYMAN MANENDO (BY REQUEST)

MARCH 13, 2003

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Makes various changes to provisions governing veterans' cemeteries. (BDR 37-652)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State: No.

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to veterans' cemeteries; revising the provisions governing financial support for veterans' cemeteries; authorizing the use of the remainder of certain gifts of money and personal property donated for use at veterans' cemeteries; 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 417.220 is hereby amended to read as follows: 417.220 1. The Account for Veterans' Affairs is hereby created in the State General Fund.

- 2. Money received by the Executive Director or the Deputy Executive Director from:
 - (a) Fees charged pursuant to NRS 417.210;

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- (b) Allowances for burial from the Department of Veterans Affairs [;] or other money provided by the Federal Government for the support of veterans' cemeteries;
- (c) Receipts from the sale of gifts and general merchandise;
- 12 (d) Grants obtained by the Executive Director or the Deputy Executive Director for the support of veterans' cemeteries; and 13
- (e) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6 and NRS 417.145 and 417.147, gifts of money and proceeds derived from the 15



sale of gifts of personal property *that* he is authorized to accept, if the use of such gifts has not been restricted by the donor,

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must be deposited with the State Treasurer for credit to the Account for Veterans' Affairs and must be accounted for separately for a veterans' cemetery in northern Nevada or a veterans' cemetery in southern Nevada, whichever is appropriate.

- 3. The interest and income earned on the money deposited pursuant to subsection 2, after deducting any applicable charges, must be accounted for separately. Interest and income must not be computed on:
- (a) Money appropriated from the State General Fund to the Account for Veterans' Affairs.
- (b) Fees charged pursuant to NRS 417.110 that are deposited in the Account for Veterans' Affairs.
- 4. [Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, the] *The* money deposited pursuant to subsection 2 may only be used for the operation and maintenance of the cemetery for which the money was collected.
- 5. Except as otherwise provided in subsection [6,] 7, gifts of personal property which the Executive Director or the Deputy Executive Director is authorized to receive but which are not appropriate for conversion to money may be used in kind.
- 6. The Gift Account for Veterans' Cemeteries is hereby created in the State General Fund. The Executive Director or the Deputy Executive Director shall use gifts of money or personal property that he is authorized to accept and for which the donor has restricted to one or more uses at a veterans' cemetery, only in the manner designated by the donor.] Gifts of money that the Executive Director or the Deputy Executive Director is authorized to accept and [for] which the donor has restricted to one or more uses at a veterans' cemetery must be accounted for separately in the Gift Account for Veterans' Cemeteries. The interest and income earned on the money deposited pursuant to this subsection must, after deducting any applicable charges, be accounted for separately for a veterans' cemetery in northern Nevada or a veterans' cemetery in southern Nevada, as applicable. Any money remaining in the Gift Account for Veterans' Cemeteries at the end of each fiscal year does not revert to the State General Fund, but must be carried over into the next fiscal year.
- 7. The Executive Director or the Deputy Executive Director shall use gifts of money or personal property that he is authorized to accept and for which the donor has restricted to one or more uses at a veterans' cemetery in the manner designated by the donor, except that if the original purpose of the gift has been fulfilled or the original purpose cannot be fulfilled for good cause,



any money or personal property remaining in the gift may be used for other purposes at the veterans' cemetery in northern Nevada or the veterans' cemetery in southern Nevada, as appropriate.

Sec. 2. Subsection 7 of NRS 417.220 applies to gifts of money and of personal property donated:

1. On or after July 1, 2003; and
2. Before July 1, 2003, that are remaining after that date.

Sec. 3. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2003.

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