

Assembly Bill No. 13—Committee on
Health and Human Services

CHAPTER.....

AN ACT relating to public welfare; revising the qualifications of the State Welfare Administrator of the Welfare Division of the Department of Human Resources; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law provides for the appointment of the State Welfare Administrator by the Director of the Department of Human Resources to administer laws related to the Welfare Division. (NRS 232.320, 232.340) Existing law further establishes the qualifications of the State Welfare Administrator. (NRS 422.160)

This bill amends the qualifications of the State Welfare Administrator to broaden the requirements concerning education, experience and leadership.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. NRS 422.160 is hereby amended to read as follows:
422.160 The State Welfare Administrator must:

1. Be selected on the basis of his training, experience, capacity and interest in public welfare services.

2. Be a graduate ~~[in public or business administration]~~ from an accredited college or university. *In appointing the State Welfare Administrator, the Director shall, to the extent practicable, give preference to a person who has a degree in a field of social science, public administration, business administration or a related field.*

3. Have had not less than 3 years of demonstrated successful experience in *the administration of a* public ~~[welfare administration,]~~ *agency*, with responsibility for general direction *of programs of the public agency* and determination of ~~[a policy of a general assistance and social service program,]~~ *policies for the implementation of programs of the public agency*, or any equivalent combination of training and experience.

4. Possess qualities of leadership . ~~[in the field of human welfare and health.]~~

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

