ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 210-ASSEMBLYMEN HOGAN, GIUNCHIGLIANI, OCEGUERA, OHRENSCHALL, PARKS, ARBERRY JR., ATKINSON, BUCKLEY, CONKLIN, DENIS, GERHARDT, HORNE, KIRKPATRICK, KOIVISTO, LESLIE, MANENDO, MCCLAIN, MUNFORD, PARNELL, PERKINS AND SMITH

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Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Requires contractor and subcontractor on certain public works to submit monthly report demographics of persons employed on public work. (BDR 28-872)

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 public works; requiring a contractor and subcontractor on certain public works in larger counties to submit a monthly report concerning the demographics of certain employees to the public body that awarded the contract; requiring that a committee be established for certain public works; requiring such a committee to meet monthly to discuss the monthly report; requiring that advertisements for bids for certain public works include a provision that the contractor and subcontractor will be required to comply with such requirements; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law governs contracts between a contractor and a public body awarding a contract for a public works project. (Chapter 338 of NRS) Under existing law, an advertisement for bids on a public work is required. (NRS 338.1385, 338.143, 338.1723, 338.1906)



This bill directs each contractor and subcontractor engaged on certain public works projects to prepare a report on the demographics of the ethnicity, race and gender of the workers employed on the public works project. Information contained in the report must include only aggregate information for statistical purposes and must not identify the particular race, ethnicity or gender of any individual worker. Contractors and subcontractors must make a copy of the report available for inspection by the public body that awarded the contract. In addition, contractors and subcontractors must submit monthly a copy of the report to the public body. These requirements apply to a project that has an estimated cost of \$20 million or more and that is located in a county with a population of 100,000 or more (currently Clark and Washoe Counties).

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16 17 This bill further directs a public body awarding a contract for such a public works project to establish a committee to meet monthly to discuss the demographics report for the previous month. The meeting must be open and public, but is not required to be conducted in accordance with the Open Meeting Law. (Chapter 241 of NRS)

This bill makes it mandatory for the contract for such a public works project to include a clause which provides that the contract becomes void if the contractor does not comply with the provisions of the law concerning the keeping of the demographic report. In addition, this bill prohibits payment for a public works project unless the contractor complies with these requirements.

This bill requires that each advertisement for bids on such a public works project include a provision which informs contractors of the duty to comply with the requirements concerning the demographic report.

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

Section 1. Chapter 338 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

A contractor engaged on a public work which has an estimated cost of \$20,000,000 or more and which is located in a county whose population is 100,000 or more, and each subcontractor engaged on such a public work, shall prepare a report, on the form prescribed by the Labor Commissioner pursuant to subsection 7, concerning the demographics of the workmen employed by the contractor and subcontractor in connection with the public work during each calendar month the contractor or subcontractor is engaged on the public work. The report must include only aggregate information for statistical purposes concerning the races, ethnicities and genders of the workmen employed by the contractor and subcontractor in connection with the public work in a manner which excludes any identifying information related to a particular person. The contractor and each subcontractor shall submit the report to the public body awarding the contract not later than 15 days after the end of the month to which the report pertains.



2. A contractor and any subcontractor who prepares a report pursuant to subsection I shall maintain a record of the information used to prepare the report and, upon request, make that information available to the public body awarding the contract for inspection. The contractor or subcontractor may discard the record of information 2 years after final payment is made by the public body for the public work.

3. For each public work which has an estimated cost of \$20,000,000 or more and which is located in a county whose population is 100,000 or more, the public body awarding the contract for the public work shall establish a committee consisting

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(a) The public body:

(b) The contractor engaged on the public work;

(c) Each subcontractor engaged on the public work; and

(d) Representatives of a variety of groups which represent or promote the interests of minorities who are qualified to perform work on the public work who are appointed by the contractor engaged on the public work.

4. The committee established pursuant to subsection 3 may meet monthly to discuss the reports submitted pursuant to subsection 1 for the previous month. Any such meeting must be open and public, but is not subject to any provision of chapter 241

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25 5. The contractor or any subcontractor engaged on a public work shall forfeit, as a penalty, to the public body which awarded 26 27 the contract for the public work:

(a) For the first violation of a provision of this section during

the term of the contract for the public work, \$25;

(b) For the second violation of a provision of this section during the term of the contract for the public work, \$50; and

(c) For the third and each subsequent violation of a provision of this section during the term of the contract for the public work, *\$100*.

- A public body awarding a contract for a public work which has an estimated cost of \$20,000,000 or more and which is located in a county whose population is 100,000 or more shall cause a stipulation setting forth the penalties specified in subsection 5 to be inserted in the contract.
- The Labor Commissioner shall, by regulation, prescribe a 40 41 form for the report required pursuant to subsection 1.

Sec. 2. NRS 338.1385 is hereby amended to read as follows:

338.1385 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 8 and NRS 338.1906 and 338.1907, this State, or a governing body or



its authorized representative that awards a contract for a public work in accordance with paragraph (a) of subsection 1 of NRS 338.1373 shall not:

- (a) Commence a public work for which the estimated cost exceeds \$100,000 unless it advertises in a newspaper qualified pursuant to chapter 238 of NRS that is published in the county where the public work will be performed for bids for the public work. If no qualified newspaper is published in the county where the public work will be performed, the required advertisement must be published in some qualified newspaper that is printed in the State of Nevada and has a general circulation in the county.
- (b) Commence a public work for which the estimated cost is \$100,000 or less unless it complies with the provisions of NRS 338,1386, 338,13862 and 338,13864.
- (c) Divide a public work into separate portions to avoid the requirements of paragraph (a) or (b).
- 2. At least once each quarter, the authorized representative of a public body shall report to the public body any contract that he awarded pursuant to subsection 1 in the immediately preceding quarter.
- 3. Each advertisement for bids must include a provision that sets forth the [requirement] requirements that a contractor [must]:
- (a) Must be qualified pursuant to NRS 338.1379 or 338.1382 to bid on the contract : and
- (b) If the public work has an estimated cost of \$20,000,000 or more and is located in a county whose population is 100,000 or more, shall comply with the provisions of section I of this act.
- 4. Approved plans and specifications for the bids must be on file at a place and time stated in the advertisement for the inspection of all persons desiring to bid thereon and for other interested persons. Contracts for the public work must be awarded on the basis of bids received.
- 5. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6 and NRS 338.1389, a public body shall award a contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.
- 6. Any bids received in response to an advertisement for bids may be rejected if the public body or its authorized representative responsible for awarding the contract determines that:
- 39 (a) The bidder is not a qualified bidder pursuant to NRS 40 338.1379 or 338.1382;
 - (b) The bidder is not responsive or responsible;
 - (c) The quality of the services, materials, equipment or labor offered does not conform to the approved plans or specifications; or
 - (d) The public interest would be served by such a rejection.



- 7. Before a public body may commence the performance of a public work itself pursuant to the provisions of this section, based upon a determination that the public interest would be served by rejecting any bids received in response to an advertisement for bids, the public body shall prepare and make available for public inspection a written statement containing:
- (a) A list of all persons, including supervisors, whom the public body intends to assign to the public work, together with their classifications and an estimate of the direct and indirect costs of their labor;
- (b) A list of all equipment that the public body intends to use on the public work, together with an estimate of the number of hours each item of equipment will be used and the hourly cost to use each item of equipment;
- (c) An estimate of the cost of administrative support for the persons assigned to the public work;
- (d) An estimate of the total cost of the public work, including the fair market value of or, if known, the actual cost of all materials, supplies, labor and equipment to be used for the public work; and
- (e) An estimate of the amount of money the public body expects to save by rejecting the bids and performing the public work itself.
 - 8. This section does not apply to:

- (a) Any utility subject to the provisions of chapter 318 or 710 of NRS:
- (b) Any work of construction, reconstruction, improvement and maintenance of highways subject to NRS 408.323 or 408.327;
 - (c) Normal maintenance of the property of a school district;
 - (d) The Las Vegas Valley Water District created pursuant to chapter 167, Statutes of Nevada 1947, the Moapa Valley Water District created pursuant to chapter 477, Statutes of Nevada 1983, or the Virgin Valley Water District created pursuant to chapter 100, Statutes of Nevada 1993; or
- (e) The design and construction of a public work for which a public body contracts with a design-build team pursuant to NRS 338.1711 to 338.1727, inclusive.
 - **Sec. 3.** NRS 338.1385 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 338.1385 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 8, this State, or a governing body or its authorized representative that awards a contract for a public work in accordance with paragraph (a) of subsection 1 of NRS 338.1373 shall not:
- (a) Commence a public work for which the estimated cost exceeds \$100,000 unless it advertises in a newspaper qualified pursuant to chapter 238 of NRS that is published in the county where the public work will be performed for bids for the public work. If no qualified newspaper is published in the county where the



public work will be performed, the required advertisement must be published in some qualified newspaper that is printed in the State of Nevada and having a general circulation within the county.

- (b) Commence a public work for which the estimated cost is \$100,000 or less unless it complies with the provisions of NRS 338.1386, 338.13862 and 338.13864.
- (c) Divide a public work into separate portions to avoid the requirements of paragraph (a) or (b).
- 2. At least once each quarter, the authorized representative of a public body shall report to the public body any contract that he awarded pursuant to subsection 1 in the immediately preceding quarter.
- 3. Each advertisement for bids must include a provision that sets forth the [requirement] requirements that a contractor [must]:
- (a) Must be qualified pursuant to NRS 338.1379 or 338.1382 to bid on the contract ; and
- (b) If the public work has an estimated cost of \$20,000,000 or more and is located in a county whose population is 100,000 or more, shall comply with the provisions of section 1 of this act.
- 4. Approved plans and specifications for the bids must be on file at a place and time stated in the advertisement for the inspection of all persons desiring to bid thereon and for other interested persons. Contracts for the public work must be awarded on the basis of bids received.
- 5. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6 and NRS 338.1389, a public body shall award a contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.
- 6. Any bids received in response to an advertisement for bids may be rejected if the public body or its authorized representative responsible for awarding the contract determines that:
- 31 (a) The bidder is not a qualified bidder pursuant to NRS 32 338.1379 or 338.1382;
 - (b) The bidder is not responsive or responsible;
 - (c) The quality of the services, materials, equipment or labor offered does not conform to the approved plans or specifications; or
 - (d) The public interest would be served by such a rejection.
 - 7. Before a public body may commence the performance of a public work itself pursuant to the provisions of this section, based upon a determination that the public interest would be served by rejecting any bids received in response to an advertisement for bids, the public body shall prepare and make available for public inspection a written statement containing:
 - (a) A list of all persons, including supervisors, whom the public body intends to assign to the public work, together with their



classifications and an estimate of the direct and indirect costs of their labor;

- (b) A list of all equipment that the public body intends to use on the public work, together with an estimate of the number of hours each item of equipment will be used and the hourly cost to use each item of equipment;
- (c) An estimate of the cost of administrative support for the persons assigned to the public work;
- (d) An estimate of the total cost of the public work, including, the fair market value of or, if known, the actual cost of all materials, supplies, labor and equipment to be used for the public work; and
- (e) An estimate of the amount of money the public body expects to save by rejecting the bids and performing the public work itself.
 - 8. This section does not apply to:

- (a) Any utility subject to the provisions of chapter 318 or 710 of NRS:
- (b) Any work of construction, reconstruction, improvement and maintenance of highways subject to NRS 408.323 or 408.327;
 - (c) Normal maintenance of the property of a school district; or
- (d) The Las Vegas Valley Water District created pursuant to chapter 167, Statutes of Nevada 1947, the Moapa Valley Water District created pursuant to chapter 477, Statutes of Nevada 1983, or the Virgin Valley Water District created pursuant to chapter 100, Statutes of Nevada 1993; or
- (e) The design and construction of a public work for which a public body contracts with a design-build team pursuant to NRS 338.1711 to 338.1727, inclusive.
 - **Sec. 4.** NRS 338.143 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 338.143 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7 and NRS 338.1907, a local government or its authorized representative that awards a contract for a public work in accordance with paragraph (b) of subsection 1 of NRS 338.1373 shall not:
- (a) Commence a public work for which the estimated cost exceeds \$100,000 unless it advertises in a newspaper qualified pursuant to chapter 238 of NRS that is published in the county where the public work will be performed for bids for the public work. If no qualified newspaper is published in the county where the public work will be performed, the required advertisement must be published in some qualified newspaper that is printed in the State of Nevada and has a general circulation in the county. If the public work has an estimated cost of \$20,000,000 or more and is located in a county whose population is 100,000 or more, each advertisement for bids must include a provision that sets forth the requirement that a contractor shall comply with the provisions of section 1 of this act.



(b) Commence a public work for which the estimated cost is \$100,000 or less unless it complies with the provisions of NRS 338.1442, 338.1444 and 338.1446.

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- (c) Divide a project work into separate portions to avoid the requirements of paragraph (a) or (b).
- 2. At least once each quarter, the authorized representative of a local government shall report to the local government any contract that he awarded pursuant to subsection 1 in the immediately preceding quarter.
- 3. Approved plans and specifications for the bids must be on file at a place and time stated in the advertisement for the inspection of all persons desiring to bid thereon and for other interested persons. Contracts for the public work must be awarded on the basis of bids received.
- 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5 and NRS 338.147, the local government or its authorized representative shall award a contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.
- 5. Any bids received in response to an advertisement for bids may be rejected if the local government or its authorized representative responsible for awarding the contract determines that:
 - (a) The bidder is not responsive or responsible;
- (b) The quality of the services, materials, equipment or labor offered does not conform to the approved plans or specifications; or
 - (c) The public interest would be served by such a rejection.
- 6. Before a local government may commence the performance of a public work itself pursuant to the provisions of this section, based upon a determination that the public interest would be served by rejecting any bids received in response to an advertisement for bids, the local government shall prepare and make available for public inspection a written statement containing:
- (a) A list of all persons, including supervisors, whom the local government intends to assign to the public work, together with their classifications and an estimate of the direct and indirect costs of their labor;
- (b) A list of all equipment that the local government intends to use on the public work, together with an estimate of the number of hours each item of equipment will be used and the hourly cost to use each item of equipment;
- (c) An estimate of the cost of administrative support for the persons assigned to the public work;
- (d) An estimate of the total cost of the public work, including the fair market value of or, if known, the actual cost of all materials, supplies, labor and equipment to be used for the public work; and



- (e) An estimate of the amount of money the local government expects to save by rejecting the bids and performing the public work itself.
 - 7. This section does not apply to:

- (a) Any utility subject to the provisions of chapter 318 or 710 of NRS:
- (b) Any work of construction, reconstruction, improvement and maintenance of highways subject to NRS 408.323 or 408.327;
 - (c) Normal maintenance of the property of a school district;
- (d) The Las Vegas Valley Water District created pursuant to chapter 167, Statutes of Nevada 1947, the Moapa Valley Water District created pursuant to chapter 477, Statutes of Nevada 1983, or the Virgin Valley Water District created pursuant to chapter 100, Statutes of Nevada 1993; or
- (e) The design and construction of a public work for which a public body contracts with a design-build team pursuant to NRS 338.1711 to 338.1727, inclusive.
 - **Sec. 5.** NRS 338.143 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 338.143 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, a local government or its authorized representative that awards a contract for a public work in accordance with paragraph (b) of subsection 1 of NRS 338.1373 shall not:
- (a) Commence a public work for which the estimated cost exceeds \$100,000 unless it advertises in a newspaper qualified pursuant to chapter 238 of NRS that is published in the county where the public work will be performed for bids for the public work. If no qualified newspaper is published within the county where the public work will be performed, the required advertisement must be published in some qualified newspaper that is printed in the State of Nevada and has a general circulation within the county. If the public work has an estimated cost of \$20,000,000 or more and is located in a county whose population is 100,000 or more, each advertisement for bids must include a provision that sets forth the requirement that a contractor shall comply with the provisions of section 1 of this act.
- (b) Commence a public work for which the estimated cost is \$100,000 or less unless it complies with the provisions of NRS 338.1442, 338.1444 or 338.1446.
- (c) Divide a public work into separate portions to avoid the requirements of paragraph (a) or (b).
- 2. At least once each quarter, the authorized representative of a local government shall report to the local government any contract that he awarded pursuant to subsection 1 in the immediately preceding quarter.



- 3. Approved plans and specifications for the bids must be on file at a place and time stated in the advertisement for the inspection of all persons desiring to bid thereon and for other interested persons. Contracts for the public work must be awarded on the basis of bids received.
- 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5 and NRS 338.147, the local government or its authorized representative shall award a contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.
- 5. Any bids received in response to an advertisement for bids may be rejected if the local government or its authorized representative responsible for awarding the contract determines that:
 - (a) The bidder is not responsive or responsible;

- (b) The quality of the services, materials, equipment or labor offered does not conform to the approved plans or specifications; or
 - (c) The public interest would be served by such a rejection.
- 6. Before a local government may commence the performance of a public work itself pursuant to the provisions of this section, based upon a determination that the public interest would be served by rejecting any bids received in response to an advertisement for bids, the local government shall prepare and make available for public inspection a written statement containing:
- (a) A list of all persons, including supervisors, whom the local government intends to assign to the public work, together with their classifications and an estimate of the direct and indirect costs of their labor;
- (b) A list of all equipment that the local government intends to use on the public work, together with an estimate of the number of hours each item of equipment will be used and the hourly cost to use each item of equipment;
- (c) An estimate of the cost of administrative support for the persons assigned to the public work;
- (d) An estimate of the total cost of the public work, including the fair market value of or, if known, the actual cost of all materials, supplies, labor and equipment to be used for the public work; and
- (e) An estimate of the amount of money the local government expects to save by rejecting the bids and performing the public work itself.
 - 7. This section does not apply to:
- (a) Any utility subject to the provisions of chapter 318 or 710 of NRS:
- (b) Any work of construction, reconstruction, improvement and maintenance of highways subject to NRS 408.323 or 408.327;
 - (c) Normal maintenance of the property of a school district;
- (d) The Las Vegas Valley Water District created pursuant to chapter 167, Statutes of Nevada 1947, the Moapa Valley Water



District created pursuant to chapter 477, Statutes of Nevada 1983, or the Virgin Valley Water District created pursuant to chapter 100, Statutes of Nevada 1993; or

- (e) The design and construction of a public work for which a public body contracts with a design-build team pursuant to NRS 338.1711 to 338.1727, inclusive.
 - **Sec. 6.** NRS 338.1723 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 338.1723 1. A public body shall advertise for preliminary proposals for the design and construction of a public work by a design-build team in a newspaper qualified pursuant to chapter 238 of NRS that is published in the county where the public work will be performed. If no qualified newspaper is published in the county where the public work will be performed, the required advertisement must be published in some qualified newspaper that is printed in the State of Nevada and has a general circulation in the county.
- 2. A request for preliminary proposals published pursuant to subsection 1 must include, without limitation:
- (a) A description of the public work to be designed and constructed;
- (b) Separate estimates of the costs of designing and constructing the public work;
- (c) The dates on which it is anticipated that the separate phases of the design and construction of the public work will begin and end:
- (d) The date by which preliminary proposals must be submitted to the public body, which must not be less than 30 days after the date that the request for preliminary proposals is first published in a newspaper pursuant to subsection 1;
- (e) A statement setting forth the place and time in which a design-build team desiring to submit a proposal for the public work may obtain the information necessary to submit a proposal, including, without limitation, the information set forth in subsection 3: [and]
- (f) If the proposal is for a public work of the State, a statement setting forth that the prime contractor must be qualified to bid on a public work of the State pursuant to NRS 338.1379 before submitting a preliminary proposal [-]; and
- (g) If the public work has an estimated cost of \$20,000,000 or more and is located in a county whose population is 100,000 or more, a provision that sets forth the requirement that the designbuild team shall comply with the provisions of section 1 of this act.
- 3. A public body shall maintain at the time and place set forth in the request for preliminary proposals the following information



for inspection by a design-build team desiring to submit a proposal for the public work:

- (a) The extent to which designs must be completed for both preliminary and final proposals and any other requirements for the design and construction of the public work that the public body determines to be necessary;
 - (b) A list of the requirements set forth in NRS 338.1721;
- (c) A list of the factors that the public body will use to evaluate design-build teams who submit a proposal for the public work, including, without limitation:
- (1) The relative weight to be assigned to each factor pursuant to NRS 338.1727; and
- (2) A disclosure of whether the factors that are not related to cost are, when considered as a group, more or less important in the process of evaluation than the factor of cost;
- (d) Notice that a design-build team desiring to submit a proposal for the public work must include with its proposal the information used by the public body to determine finalists among the designbuild teams submitting proposals pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 338.1725 and a description of that information;
- (e) A statement that a design-build team whose prime contractor holds a certificate of eligibility to receive a preference in bidding on public works issued pursuant to NRS 338.1389 or 338.147 should submit a copy of the certificate of eligibility with its proposal; and
- (f) A statement as to whether a design-build team that is selected as a finalist pursuant to NRS 338.1725 but is not awarded the design-build contract pursuant to NRS 338.1727 will be partially reimbursed for the cost of preparing a final proposal and, if so, an estimate of the amount of the partial reimbursement.
 - **Sec. 7.** NRS 338.1906 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 338.1906 1. Upon request by or consultation with an officer or employee of the State who is responsible for the budget of a department, board, commission, agency or other entity of the State, the appropriate energy retrofit coordinator may request the approval of the State Board of Examiners to advertise a request for proposals to retrofit a building, or any portion thereof, that is occupied by the department, board, commission, agency or other entity, to make the use of energy in the building, or portion thereof, more efficient.
- 2. Upon approval of the State Board of Examiners, the coordinator shall prepare a request for proposals for the retrofitting of one or more buildings, or any portion thereof, which includes:
 - (a) The name and location of the coordinator;
- (b) If the retrofit has an estimated cost of \$20,000,000 or more and is to be completed on one or more buildings or any portion thereof that is located in a county whose population is 100,000 or



more, a provision that sets forth the requirement that the contractor shall comply with the provisions of section 1 of this act;

(c) A brief description of the requirements for the initial audit of the use of energy and the retrofitting;

[(e)] (d) Where and how specifications of the requirements for the initial audit of the use of energy and the retrofitting may be obtained:

[(d)] (e) The date and time not later than which proposals must be received by the coordinator; and

(f) The date and time when responses will be opened.

- 3. The request for proposals must be published in at least one newspaper of general circulation in the State.
- 4. After receiving the proposals but before making a decision on the proposals, the coordinator shall consider:
 - (a) The best interests of the State;

- (b) The experience and financial stability of the persons submitting the proposals;
- (c) Whether the proposals conform with the terms of the request for proposals;
 - (d) The prices of the proposals; and
 - (e) Any other factor disclosed in the request for proposals.
- 5. The coordinator shall determine the relative weight of each factor before a request for proposals is advertised. The weight of each factor must not be disclosed before the date proposals are required to be submitted to the coordinator.
- 6. After reviewing the proposals, if the coordinator determines that sufficient energy could be saved to justify retrofitting the building or buildings, or portion thereof, the coordinator shall select the best proposal and request the approval of the State Board of Examiners to award the contract. The request for approval must include the proposed method of financing the audit and retrofit, which may include an installment contract, a shared savings contract or any other contract for a reasonable financing arrangement. Such a contract may commit the State to make payments beyond the biennium in which the contract is executed, but the interest due on any debt created pursuant to this section must be paid at least semiannually, payments must be made on the principal at least annually and the debt must be fully repaid on or before May 1, 2013.
- 7. Before approving a retrofit pursuant to this section, the State Board of Examiners shall evaluate any projects that would utilize shared savings as a method of payment or any method of financing that would commit the State to make payments beyond the biennium in which the contract is executed to ensure that:



(a) The amount of energy to be saved will likely justify the cost of the retrofit;

- (b) The State is likely to continue to occupy the building for the entire period required to recoup the cost of the retrofit in energy savings; and
 - (c) The limitation set forth in subsection 9 will not be exceeded.
- 8. Upon approval of the State Board of Examiners, the coordinator shall execute the contract and notify:
- (a) The State Board of Examiners of the total amount of money committed by the contract per year; and
- (b) Each officer or employee who is responsible for the budget of a department, board, commission, agency or other entity which occupies a portion of a building that will be retrofitted of the amount of money it will be required to pay annually for its portion of the retrofit.
- 9. The total amount of money committed beyond the biennium for all contracts executed pursuant to this section must not exceed \$15,000,000 at any one time.
- 10. The Legislature hereby pledges that a tax will be levied to pay the principal and interest on any indebtedness resulting from a contract executed pursuant to this section as they become due if the required payments will not be made by the entity that executed the contract from its budgeted accounts and the proceeds from any such taxes are hereby specially appropriated for this purpose.
- 11. NRS 338.1385 does not apply to a project for which a request for proposals is advertised and the contract is awarded pursuant to the provisions of this section.
 - **Sec. 8.** NRS 338.1907 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 338.1907 1. A governing body may designate one or more energy retrofit coordinators for the buildings occupied by the local government.
- 2. If such a coordinator is designated, upon request by or consultation with an officer or employee of the local government who is responsible for the budget of a department, board, commission or other entity of the local government, the coordinator may request the approval of the governing body to advertise a request for proposals to retrofit a building, or any portion thereof, that is occupied by the department, board, commission or other entity, to make the use of energy in the building, or portion thereof, more efficient.
- 3. Upon approval of the governing body, the coordinator shall prepare a request for proposals for the retrofitting of one or more buildings, or any portion thereof, which includes:
 - (a) The name and location of the coordinator;



(b) If the retrofit has an estimated cost of \$20,000,000 or more and is to be completed on one or more buildings or any portion thereof that is located in a county whose population is 100,000 or more, a provision that sets forth the requirement that the contractor shall comply with the provisions of section 1 of this act;

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- (c) A brief description of the requirements for the initial audit of the use of energy and the retrofitting;
- (d) Where and how specifications of the requirements for the initial audit of the use of energy and the retrofitting may be obtained;
- (e) The date and time not later than which proposals must be received by the coordinator; and

(f) The date and time when responses will be opened.

- The request for proposals must be published in a newspaper qualified pursuant to chapter 238 of NRS that is published in the county where the public work will be performed. If no qualified newspaper is published in the county where the public work will be performed, the required advertisement must be published in some qualified newspaper that is printed in the State of Nevada and has a general circulation in the county where the public work will be performed.
- After receiving the proposals but before making a decision 5. on the proposals, the coordinator shall consider:
 - (a) The best interests of the local government;
- (b) The experience and financial stability of the persons submitting the proposals;
- (c) Whether the proposals conform with the terms of the request for proposals;
 - (d) The prices of the proposals; and
 - (e) Any other factor disclosed in the request for proposals.
- The coordinator shall determine the relative weight of each factor before a request for proposals is advertised. The weight of each factor must not be disclosed before the date proposals are required to be submitted to the coordinator.
 - After reviewing the proposals, if the coordinator determines that sufficient energy could be saved to justify retrofitting the building or buildings, or portion thereof, the coordinator shall select the best proposal and request the approval of the governing body to award the contract. The request for approval must include the proposed method of financing the audit and retrofit, which may include an installment contract, a shared savings contract or any other contract for a reasonable financing arrangement. Such a contract may commit the local government to make payments beyond the fiscal year in which the contract is executed or beyond
- the terms of office of the governing body, or both.



- 8. Before approving a retrofit pursuant to this section, the governing body shall evaluate any projects that would utilize shared savings as a method of payment or any method of financing that would commit the local government to make payments beyond the fiscal year in which the contract is executed or beyond the terms of office of the governing body to ensure that:
- (a) The amount of energy to be saved will likely justify the cost of the retrofit; and

- (b) The local government is likely to continue to occupy the building for the entire period required to recoup the cost of the retrofit in energy savings.
- 9. Upon approval of the governing body, the coordinator shall execute the contract and notify each officer or employee who is responsible for the budget of a department, board, commission or other entity which occupies a portion of a building that will be retrofitted of the amount of money it will be required to pay annually for its portion of the retrofit.
- 10. NRS 338.1385 and 338.143 do not apply to a project for which a request for proposals is advertised and the contract is awarded pursuant to the provisions of this section.
- **Sec. 9.** 1. This section and sections 1, 2, 4, 6, 7 and 8 of this act become effective on October 1, 2005.
- 23 2. Sections 2, 4, 7 and 8 of this act expire by limitation on 24 April 30, 2013.
- 25 3. Sections 3 and 5 of this act become effective on May 1, 26 2013.



