
ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 17–
ASSEMBLYMAN PARKS

APRIL 14, 2005

Referred to Committee on Elections, Procedures, Ethics,
and Constitutional Amendments

SUMMARY—Directs the Legislative Commission to conduct an
interim study of pardons, parole and probation in this
State. (BDR R-954)

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EXPLANATION – Matter in ***bolded italics*** is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

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Legislative Commission to conduct an interim study of
pardons, parole and probation in this State.

1 WHEREAS, Nevada has one of the highest per capita
2 incarceration levels in the country; and

3 WHEREAS, Nevada remains one of the few states that uses
4 incarceration, the most expensive method of corrections, to address
5 criminal conduct; and

6 WHEREAS, The number of inmates who are released from prison
7 onto parole in Nevada is declining; and

8 WHEREAS, Reducing the required time for incarceration has not
9 produced an impact on individual recidivism rates or aggregate
10 crime levels; and

11 WHEREAS, High-risk offenders must be closely supervised and
12 provided with more rehabilitative services to promote their
13 reintegration to society and maintenance of a crime-free life; and

14 WHEREAS, Parole should not be revoked for the commission of
15 a misdemeanor or for technical violations of parole rules, but
16 instead, revocation must be limited to serious infractions involving
17 the commission of a felony; now, therefore, be it

18 RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE
19 SENATE CONCURRING, That the Legislative Commission is hereby
20 directed to appoint an interim committee, composed of three
21 members of the Assembly and three members of the Senate, one of
22 whom must be appointed as Chairman of the committee, to conduct



1 a study of the pardons, parole and probation services provided in
2 this State; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That the study must include, without limitation, an
4 evaluation of:

5 1. The current practices and procedures relating to issuing
6 pardons and granting and revoking parole and probation in this
7 State;

8 2. The manner of imposing sentences in this State;

9 3. The feasibility of establishing mandatory parole after an
10 offender serves a portion of a sentence;

11 4. Sentencing options that provide for combined prison terms
12 and postincarceration supervision;

13 5. The procedures for determining when to release inmates into
14 community supervision programs; and

15 6. Methods to promote more cost-effective pardons, parole and
16 probation practices; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That any recommended legislation proposed by the
18 interim committee must be approved by a majority of the members
19 of the Assembly and a majority of the members of the Senate
20 appointed to the committee; and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That the Legislative Commission shall submit a
22 report of the results of the study and any recommendations for
23 legislation to the 74th Session of the Nevada Legislature.

