
ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2–
COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(ON BEHALF OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON
CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES)

FEBRUARY 16, 2005

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Requests Nevada Supreme Court to review manner in which district courts receive and decide petitions to open files and records of courts in adoption proceedings and report its findings to Legislature. (BDR R-883)

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

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Requesting the Nevada Supreme Court to review the manner in which district courts receive and decide petitions to open files and records of the courts in adoption proceedings and to report its findings to the Legislature.

1 WHEREAS, The files and records of a court in adoption
2 proceedings are confidential and thus are not open to inspection by
3 any person except upon an order of the court pursuant to a petition
4 setting forth the specific reasons therefor; and

5 WHEREAS, The Subcommittee on Adoption created by the
6 Legislative Committee on Children, Youth and Families heard
7 testimony that the process for seeking such an order from a court is
8 unclear and unduly burdensome; and

9 WHEREAS, The files and records of the court in adoption
10 proceedings may include important medical history and other
11 medical information that could assist adopted persons and their
12 adoptive families in making critical medical decisions; now,
13 therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE
15 SENATE CONCURRING, That the Legislature hereby requests the
16 Nevada Supreme Court to review the manner in which district



1 courts receive and decide petitions filed by adopted persons and
2 their adoptive families to open files and records of courts in
3 adoption proceedings; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That on or before September 1, 2006, the Nevada
5 Supreme Court is hereby requested to prepare and submit a report of
6 its findings to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for
7 transmittal to the 74th Session of the Nevada Legislature; and be it
8 further

9 RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and
10 transmit a copy of this resolution to the Chief Justice of the Nevada
11 Supreme Court.

