## Amendment No. 227

Senate Amendment to Senate Bill No. 110	(RDI	R S-545)
	(BDI	X 3-343)
<b>Proposed by:</b> Committee on Government Affairs		
Amendment Box:		
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Amend section 1, page 2, by deleting lines 11 through 16 and inserting:  "into by the Board if the Board:  (a) Complies with the provisions of subsection 3; and  (b) Finances the contract, project, acquisition, works or improvement by means of:		
(1) Revenue bonds issued by the Authority; or		
(2) An installment obligation of the Authority in a transaction in which:		
(I) The Authority acquires real or personal property".		
Amend section 1, page 2, line 19, by deleting "(2)" and inserting "(II)".		
Amend section 1, page 2, by deleting lines 23 through 25 and inserting:		

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"section must:

- (a) Contain a provision stating that the requirements of NRS 338.010 to 338.090, inclusive, apply to any construction work performed pursuant to the contract; and
- (b) If the contract is with a design professional who is not a member of a design-build team, comply with the provisions NRS 338.155. As used in this paragraph, "design professional" has the meaning ascribed to it in subsection 7 of NRS 338.010.
- 3. For contracts entered into pursuant to this section that are exempt from the provisions of chapters 322, 338 and 339 of NRS pursuant to subsection 1, the Board shall adopt regulations pursuant to subsection 4 which establish:
  - (a) One or more competitive procurement processes for letting such a contract; and
- (b) A method by which a bid on such a contract will be adjusted to give a 5 percent preference to a contractor who would qualify for a preference pursuant to NRS 338.147, if:
  - (1) The estimated cost of the contract exceeds \$250,000; and
  - (2) Price is a factor in determining the successful bid on the contract.
  - 4. The Board:
- (a) Shall, before adopting, amending or repealing a permanent or temporary regulation pursuant to subsection 3, give at least 30 days' notice of its intended action. The notice must:
  - (1) Include:
    - (I) A statement of the need for and purpose of the proposed regulation.
- (II) Either the terms or substance of the proposed regulation or a description of the subjects and issues involved.
  - (III) The estimated cost to the Board for enforcement of the proposed regulation.

- (IV) The time when, the place where and the manner in which interested persons may present their views regarding the proposed regulation.
  - (V) An exact copy of the provisions of subsection 2 of NRS 233B.064.
- (VI) A statement indicating whether the regulation establishes a new fee or increases an existing fee.
- (2) State each address at which the text of the proposed regulation may be inspected and copied.
- (3) Be mailed to all persons who have requested in writing that they be placed upon a mailing list, which must be kept by the Authority for that purpose.
- (b) May adopt, if it has adopted a temporary regulation after notice and the opportunity for a hearing as provided in this subsection, after providing a second notice and the opportunity for a hearing, a permanent regulation, but the language of the permanent regulation must first be approved or revised by the Legislative Counsel and the adopted regulation is subject to review by the Legislative Commission.
- (c) Shall, in addition to distributing the notice to each recipient of the Board's regulations, solicit comment generally from the public and from businesses to be affected by the proposed regulation.
- (d) Shall, before conducting a workshop pursuant to paragraph (g), determine whether the proposed regulation is likely to impose a direct and significant economic burden upon a small business or directly restrict the formation, operation or expansion of a small business. If the Board determines that such an impact is likely to occur, the Board shall:

- (1) Insofar as practicable, consult with owners and officers of small businesses that are likely to be affected by the proposed regulation.
  - (2) Consider methods to reduce the impact of the proposed regulation on small businesses.
- (3) Prepare a small business impact statement and make copies of the statement available to the public at the workshop conducted pursuant to paragraph (g) and the public hearing held pursuant to paragraph (h).
- (e) Shall ensure that a small business impact statement prepared pursuant to subparagraph (3) of paragraph (d) sets forth the following information:
- (1) A description of the manner in which comment was solicited from affected small businesses, a summary of their response and an explanation of the manner in which other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.
- (2) The estimated economic effect of the proposed regulation on the small businesses which it is to regulate, including, without limitation:
  - (I) Both adverse and beneficial effects; and
  - (II) Both direct and indirect effects.
- (3) A description of the methods that the Board considered to reduce the impact of the proposed regulation on small businesses and a statement regarding whether the Board actually used any of those methods.
  - (4) The estimated cost to the Board for enforcement of the proposed regulation.
- (5) If the proposed regulation provides a new fee or increases an existing fee, the total annual amount the Board expects to collect and the manner in which the money will be used.

- (f) Shall afford a reasonable opportunity for all interested persons to submit data, views or arguments upon the proposed regulation, orally or in writing.
- (g) Shall, before holding a public hearing pursuant to paragraph (h), conduct at least one workshop to solicit comments from interested persons on the proposed regulation. Not less than 15 days before the workshop, the Board shall provide notice of the time and place set for the workshop:
  - (1) In writing to each person who has requested to be placed on a mailing list; and
- (2) In any other manner reasonably calculated to provide such notice to the general public and any business that may be affected by a proposed regulation which addresses the general topics to be considered at the workshop.
- (h) Shall set a time and place for an oral public hearing, but if no one appears who will be directly affected by the proposed regulation and requests an oral hearing, the Board may proceed immediately to act upon any written submissions. The Board shall consider fully all written and oral submissions respecting the proposed regulation.
- (i) Shall keep, retain and make available for public inspection written minutes of each public hearing held pursuant to paragraph (h) in the manner provided in subsections 1 and 2 of NRS 241.035.
- (j) May record each public hearing held pursuant to paragraph (h) and make those recordings available for public inspection in the manner provided in subsection 4 of NRS 241.035.
- (k) Shall ensure that a small business which is aggrieved by a regulation adopted pursuant to this subsection may object to all or a part of the regulation by filing a petition with the Board

within 90 days after the date on which the regulation was adopted. Such petition may be based on the following:

- (1) The Board failed to prepare a small business impact statement as required pursuant to subparagraph (3) of paragraph (d); or
- (2) The small business impact statement prepared by the Board did not consider or significantly underestimated the economic effect of the regulation on small businesses.
- → After receiving a petition pursuant to this paragraph, the Board shall determine whether the petition has merit. If the Board determines that the petition has merit, the Board may, pursuant to this subsection, take action to amend the regulation to which the small business objected.
- 5. The determinations made by the Board pursuant to this section are conclusive unless it is shown that the Board acted with fraud or a gross abuse of discretion.".

## If this amendment is adopted, the Legislative

## Counsel's Digest will be changed to read as follows:

## **Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

Existing law creates the Airport Authority of Washoe County and confers various duties and powers upon the Airport Authority, including the power to levy and collect certain general taxes, borrow money and issue securities. (Chapter 474 of Statutes of Nevada 1977, as amended by Chapter 668 of Statutes of Nevada 1979)

This bill amends various sections of the Airport Authority Act for Washoe County to change the name of the Authority to the Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority.

This bill also exempts the Airport Authority from complying with provisions of law that require public bidding and other requirements generally imposed upon a public contract or project, acquisition, works or improvements in certain circumstances. This exemption applies only to a contract entered into by the Board of Trustees of the Airport Authority which is financed by issuing revenue bonds or by certain installment obligations. However, the provisions of law concerning wages and other employment matters, and certain laws concerning design professionals remain applicable to these contracts. The Board is required to adopt alternative bidding processes for those contracts which fall under the exemption.