

SENATE BILL NO. 20—SENATOR HARDY

PREFILED FEBRUARY 1, 2005

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing certain county fair and recreation boards. (BDR 20-682)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.
Effect on the State: No.

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

AN ACT relating to counties; increasing the membership of certain county fair and recreation boards; revising the procedure for appointing certain members of such boards; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Existing law establishes the number and qualifications of members of county
2 fair and recreation boards, which are commonly known as convention and visitors
3 authorities in some counties. (NRS 244A.599, 244A.601, 244A.603) In counties
4 with a population of 400,000 or more (currently Clark County), such a board
5 consists of 13 members, including two members of the board of county
6 commissioners, four members designated for certain incorporated cities in the
7 county, one member designated for all the remaining incorporated cities in the
8 county and six members from the private business sector. (NRS 244A.603)

9 This bill increases the membership of a county fair and recreation board in a
10 county with a population of 400,000 or more to 14 members by adding an
11 additional member who is selected by the governing body of the smallest
12 incorporated city in the county (currently the City of Mesquite) and who is a
13 member of that governing body.

14 Existing law provides a procedure for rotating representation on the county fair
15 and recreation board in a county with a population of 400,000 or more (currently
16 Clark County) among the remaining incorporated cities in the county that do not
17 have a specifically designated member. (NRS 244A.603)

18 This bill acknowledges that this rotation is not required when there is only one
19 such remaining incorporated city in the county.



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

1 **Section 1.** NRS 244A.603 is hereby amended to read as
2 follows:

3 244A.603 1. In any county whose population is 400,000 or
4 more, the county fair and recreation board consists of ~~13~~ **14**
5 members selected as follows:

6 (a) Two members by the board of county commissioners from
7 their own number.

8 (b) Two members by the governing body of the largest
9 incorporated city in the county from their own number.

10 (c) One member by the governing body of the second largest
11 incorporated city in the county from their own number.

12 (d) One member by the governing body of the third largest
13 incorporated city in the county from their own number.

14 (e) ***One member by the governing body of the smallest
15 incorporated city in the county from their own number.***

16 (f) One member by the governing body of one of the other
17 incorporated cities in the county from their own number.

18 ~~(f)~~ (g) Six members to be appointed by the members selected
19 pursuant to paragraphs (a) to ~~(e)~~ (f), inclusive, of which:

20 (1) Three members must be selected from a list of nominees
21 submitted by the chamber of commerce of the largest incorporated
22 city in the county. If the nominees so listed are unsatisfactory to the
23 members making the selection, they may, until satisfied, request
24 additional lists of nominees. The members appointed pursuant to
25 this subparagraph must be selected as follows:

26 (I) Two members who are representatives of tourism, at
27 least one of whom must be a representative of the resort hotel
28 business; and

29 (II) One member who is a representative of other
30 commercial interests or interests related to tourism.

31 (2) Three members must be selected from a list of nominees
32 submitted by the association of gaming establishments whose
33 membership in the county collectively paid the most gross revenue
34 fees to the State pursuant to NRS 463.370 in the preceding year. If
35 the nominees so listed are unsatisfactory to the members making the
36 selection, they may, until satisfied, request additional lists of
37 nominees. The members selected pursuant to this subparagraph must
38 be representatives of the resort hotel business, at least one of whom
39 is engaged in that business in the central business district of the
40 largest incorporated city in the county.

41 2. ~~In order to determine which of the incorporated cities in the
42 county is entitled to the representative~~ ***If there is more than one***



1 **incorporated city in the county that is eligible to appoint the**
2 **member** provided in paragraph ~~(e)~~ (f) of subsection 1, the board of
3 county commissioners shall ~~[at its first meeting after May 1, 1967,~~
4 draw lots to determine which city will be first represented, which
5 next, and so on. The city first drawn is entitled to representation
6 until July 1, 1968, and each city is entitled thereafter to
7 representation for 1 year, in its proper turn as determined by the
8 original drawing, until July 1, 1975. Commencing July 1, 1975, the
9 city then entitled to representation on the board is entitled to
10 representation for 2 years, and thereafter each city is entitled to
11 representation for 2 years in its proper turn as determined by the
12 original drawing.] facilitate a biennial rotation of the authority to
13 appoint that member among those cities.

14 3. Any vacancy occurring on a county fair and recreation board
15 must be filled by the authority entitled to appoint the member whose
16 position is vacant.

17 4. After the initial appointments of members appointed
18 pursuant to paragraph ~~(f)~~ (g) of subsection 1, all members must be
19 appointed for 2-year terms. If any such member ceases to be
20 engaged in the business sector which he was appointed to represent,
21 he ceases to be a member, and another person engaged in that
22 business must be appointed to fill the unexpired term. Any such
23 member may succeed himself.

24 5. **The term of the member appointed pursuant to paragraph**
25 **(f) of subsection 1 is 2 years, commencing on July 1 of each odd-**
26 **numbered year.**

27 6. The terms of members appointed pursuant to paragraphs (a)
28 to ~~(d),~~ (e), inclusive, of subsection 1 are coterminous with their
29 terms of office. Any such member may succeed himself.

30 **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval
31 for the purpose of appointing the member of the county fair and
32 recreation board pursuant to paragraph (e) of subsection 1 of NRS
33 244A.603, as amended by this act, and on July 1, 2005, for all other
34 purposes.



