

Assembly Bill No. 16—Committee on Government Affairs

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AN ACT relating to state financial administration; authorizing the State Board of Examiners to delegate to its Clerk the authority to designate certain debts owed to the State as bad debts; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

Existing law authorizes the State Board of Examiners, at the request of a state agency, to designate a debt owed to the State as a bad debt if the agency has determined that the debt is impossible or impractical to collect. Existing law also provides that the Board may delegate this authority to its Clerk for a debt that is \$50 or less, but only if the debt represents an overpayment of salary to a current or former state employee. (NRS 353C.220)

This bill authorizes the State Board of Examiners to delegate to its Clerk the authority to designate as a bad debt any debt owed to the State that is \$50 or less.

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

**Section 1.** NRS 353C.220 is hereby amended to read as follows:

353C.220 1. If an agency determines that it is impossible or impractical to collect a debt, the agency may request the State Board of Examiners to designate the debt as a bad debt. The State Board of Examiners, by an affirmative vote of the majority of the members of the Board, may designate the debt as a bad debt if the Board is satisfied that the collection of the debt is impossible or impractical.

*[The]* **If the debt is not more than \$50, the** State Board of Examiners may delegate to its Clerk the authority to designate ~~an overpayment of salary to a current or former state employee of not more than \$50~~ **the debt** as a bad debt. An agency that is aggrieved by a denial of a request to designate ~~such an overpayment~~ **the debt** as a bad debt by the Clerk may appeal that denial to the State Board of Examiners.

2. Upon the designation of a debt as a bad debt pursuant to this section, the State Board of Examiners or its Clerk shall immediately notify the State Controller thereof. Upon receiving the notification, the State Controller shall direct the removal of the debt from the books of account of the State of Nevada. A bad debt that is removed pursuant to this section remains a legal and binding obligation owed by the debtor to the State of Nevada.



3. If resources are available, the State Controller shall keep a master file of all debts that are designated as bad debts pursuant to this section. If such a file is established and maintained, for each such debt, the State Controller shall record the name of the debtor, the amount of the debt, the date on which the debt was incurred and the date on which it was removed from the records and books of account of the agency or the State of Nevada, and any other information concerning the debt that the State Controller determines is necessary.

**Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2007.

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