

SENATE BILL NO. 454—COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

MARCH 26, 2007

Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Revises the dates upon which certain uncommitted funds from prior appropriations must be reverted. (BDR S-1070)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
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 state financial administration; revising the dates upon which certain uncommitted funds from prior transfers and appropriations must be reverted; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 During the 2005 Legislative Session, the Legislature required the Commission
2 on Tourism to transfer a portion of the proceeds of the room tax to the Interim
3 Finance Committee for allocation to the Reno-Sparks Convention and Visitors
4 Authority to implement the Truckee River Recreational Master Plan. The
5 Legislature provided that the tax proceeds must not be committed for expenditure
6 after June 30, 2007, and must be reverted on or before September 21, 2007. **Section**
7 **1** of this bill extends the reversion date by 1 year and adds a final reporting
8 requirement. In 2005, the Legislature also appropriated money from the State
9 General Fund to the Interim Finance Committee for allocation to the Reno-Sparks
10 Convention and Visitors Authority to implement the Truckee River Recreational
11 Master Plan. The Legislature provided that this money must not be committed for
12 expenditure after June 30, 2007, and must be reverted to the State General Fund on
13 or before September 21, 2007. **Section 2** of this bill extends the reversion date by 1
14 year and adds a final reporting requirement.

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

1 **Section 1.** Section 5 of chapter 454, Statutes of Nevada 2005,
2 at page 2089, is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 Sec. 5. 1. The Commission on Tourism shall, as soon
4 as practicable after July 1, 2005, and July 1, 2006,



1 respectively, without depleting the funds necessary for day-
2 to-day operations, transfer the following amounts from the
3 proceeds from the taxes imposed on the revenue from
4 the rental of transient lodging which have been credited to the
5 Fund for the Promotion of Tourism, created by NRS 231.250,
6 to the Interim Finance Committee:

7 For the Fiscal Year 2005-2006 \$600,000

8 For the Fiscal Year 2006-2007 \$50,000

9 2. The money transferred pursuant to subsection 1 shall
10 be allocated to the Reno-Sparks Convention and Visitors
11 Authority to implement the Truckee River Recreational
12 Master Plan as adopted by the City of Reno, the City of
13 Sparks and Washoe County through a public review process.
14 The money must be used to plan, obtain permits for, design
15 and construct not more than four projects along the Truckee
16 River that would enhance the recreational enjoyment, aquatic
17 habitat and water quality of the Truckee River. The money
18 must be expended on the following projects but is not limited
19 to Rock Park, Pioneer Diversion Dam, Ambrose Park and
20 Idlewild Park.

21 3. The Interim Finance Committee shall allocate the
22 money transferred pursuant to subsection 1 upon notification
23 that the City of Reno, the City of Sparks and Washoe County
24 have committed to expend, in total, an equal amount of
25 money on Truckee River improvement related projects. For
26 the purpose of this section, Truckee River improvement
27 related projects include any public project to improve the
28 Truckee River for watershed protection, watershed
29 restoration, recreation or flood control.

30 4. Upon acceptance of the money allocated pursuant to
31 subsection 2, the Reno-Sparks Convention and Visitors
32 Authority shall prepare and transmit ~~to~~ :

33 (a) A report to the Interim Finance Committee on or
34 before December 15, 2006, that describes each expenditure
35 made from the money allocated pursuant to subsection 2 from
36 the date on which the money was received by the
37 Reno-Sparks Convention and Visitors Authority through
38 December 1, 2006 ~~to~~ ; and

39 (b) *A final report to the Interim Finance Committee on*
40 *or before October 1, 2008, that describes each expenditure*
41 *made from the money allocated pursuant to subsection 2*
42 *from the date on which the money was received by the*
43 *Reno-Sparks Convention and Visitors Authority through*
44 *September 19, 2008.*



1 5. The Reno-Sparks Convention and Visitors Authority
2 shall not assess an administrative fee or fine upon any local
3 governing bodies relating to compliance with the provisions
4 of subsections 3 and 4.

5 6. A public review and approval process, as determined
6 by the City of Reno, the City of Sparks and Washoe County,
7 must be completed before the commencement of construction
8 of any project that uses money allocated pursuant to this
9 section. Project design, construction documents and funding
10 processes related to any such project must be approved by
11 each local governing body having jurisdiction over the
12 project. Each such project must conform to the parameters of
13 the Truckee River Flood Control Project and the Truckee
14 River Operating Agreement.

15 7. Any remaining balance of the sums transferred
16 pursuant to subsection 1 must not be committed for
17 expenditure after June 30, ~~2007,~~ 2008, and must be reverted
18 to the Fund for the Promotion of Tourism on or before
19 September ~~24, 2007,~~ 19, 2008.

20 **Sec. 2.** Section 32 of chapter 7, Statutes of Nevada 2005, 22nd
21 Special Session, at page 120, is hereby amended to read as follows:

22 Sec. 32. 1. There is hereby appropriated from the
23 State General Fund to the Interim Finance Committee the
24 sum of \$600,000 for allocation to the Reno-Sparks
25 Convention and Visitors Authority to implement the Truckee
26 River Recreational Master Plan as adopted by the City of
27 Reno, the City of Sparks and Washoe County through a
28 public review process. The money must be used to plan,
29 obtain permits for, design and construct not more than four
30 projects along the Truckee River that would enhance the
31 recreational enjoyment, aquatic habitat and water quality of
32 the Truckee River. The money must be expended on the
33 following projects but is not limited to Rock Park, Pioneer
34 Diversion Dam, Ambrose Park and Idlewild Park.

35 2. The Interim Finance Committee shall allocate the
36 money appropriated pursuant to subsection 1 upon
37 notification that the City of Reno, the City of Sparks and
38 Washoe County have committed to expend, in total, an equal
39 amount of money on Truckee River improvement related
40 projects. For the purpose of this section, Truckee River
41 improvement related projects include any public project to
42 improve the Truckee River for watershed protection,
43 watershed restoration, recreation or flood control.



3. Upon acceptance of the money allocated pursuant to subsection 2, the Reno-Sparks Convention and Visitors Authority shall prepare and transmit ~~it~~:

(a) A report to the Interim Finance Committee on or before December 15, 2006, that describes each expenditure made from the money allocated pursuant to subsection 2 from the date on which the money was received by the Reno-Sparks Convention and Visitors Authority through December 1, 2006 ~~it~~; and

(b) *A final report to the Interim Finance Committee on or before October 1, 2008, that describes each expenditure made from the money allocated pursuant to subsection 2 from the date on which the money was received by the Reno-Sparks Convention and Visitors Authority through September 19, 2008.*

4. The Reno-Sparks Convention and Visitors Authority shall not assess an administrative fee or fine upon any local governing bodies relating to compliance with the provisions of subsections 2 and 3.

5. A public review and approval process, as determined by the City of Reno, the City of Sparks and Washoe County, must be completed before the commencement of construction of any project that uses money allocated pursuant to this section. Project design, construction documents and funding processes related to any such project must be approved by each local governing body having jurisdiction over the project. Each such project must conform to the parameters of the Truckee River Flood Control Project and the Truckee River Operating Agreement.

6. Any remaining balance of the sums appropriated pursuant to subsection 1 must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, ~~2007,~~ 2008, and must be reverted to the State General Fund on or before September ~~21, 2007,~~ 19, 2008.

Sec. 3. This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

