

**MINUTES OF THE
SENATE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES**

**Seventy-fourth Session
March 26, 2007**

The Senate Committee on Natural Resources was called to order by Vice Chair Mike McGinness at 11:04 a.m. on Monday, March 26, 2007, on the Senate Floor of the Legislative Building, Carson City, Nevada. There was no Agenda. There was no Attendance Roster.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Senator Mike McGinness, Vice Chair
Senator Mark E. Amodei
Senator Joseph J. Heck
Senator Bob Coffin
Senator Michael A. Schneider
Senator Maggie Carlton

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Senator Dean A. Rhoads, Chair (Excused)

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Susan Scholley, Committee Policy Analyst
Jeanine Wittenberg, Committee Secretary

Vice Chair McGinness called for committee introduction of Bill Draft Request (BDR) R-396, BDR R-468, BDR R-402, BDR R-1350, BDR 26-397, BDR S-398, BDR 48-491, BDR 50-622 and BDR 48-183.

BILL DRAFT REQUEST R-396: Expresses disapproval of recent civil actions filed against local ranchers and the Bureau of Land Management in the management of public rangelands and the issuance of grazing permits for those public rangelands. (Later introduced as [Senate Joint Resolution 12.](#))

BILL DRAFT REQUEST R-468: Urges Congress to provide additional appropriations for the prevention and suppression of wildfires and the rehabilitation of public rangelands in Nevada. (Later introduced as [Senate Joint Resolution 13.](#))

BILL DRAFT REQUEST R-402: Encourages certain activities relating to the use of biomass in the production of energy in Nevada. (Later introduced as [Senate Joint Resolution 11.](#))

BILL DRAFT REQUEST R-1350: Expresses support for the designation of trails for off-highway vehicles by certain federal agencies. (Later introduced as [Senate Joint Resolution 10.](#))

BILL DRAFT REQUEST 26-397: Creates the position of Rural Land Use Planner within the Division of State Lands of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. (Later introduced as [Senate Bill 484.](#))

BILL DRAFT REQUEST S-398: Makes an appropriation to the State Department of Agriculture for control or abatement of weeds in this State. (Later introduced as [Senate Bill 488.](#))

BILL DRAFT REQUEST 48-491: Revises provisions relating to certain water rights. (Later introduced as [Senate Bill 485.](#))

BILL DRAFT REQUEST 50-622: Makes various changes concerning the ownership of brands for livestock. (Later introduced as [Senate Bill 486.](#))

BILL DRAFT REQUEST 48-183: Revises provisions relating to water resources in certain counties. (Later introduced as [Senate Bill 487.](#))

SENATOR AMODEI MOVED TO INTRODUCE (BDR) R-396, BDR R-468, BDR R-402, BDR R-1350, BDR 26-397, BDR S-398, BDR 48-491, BDR 50-622 and BDR 48-183.

SENATOR CARLTON SECONDED THE MOTION.

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THE MOTION CARRIED. (SENATOR RHOADS WAS ABSENT FOR THE
VOTE.)

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Vice Chair McGinness adjourned the floor meeting at 11:06 a.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Ardyss Johns,
Committee Secretary

APPROVED BY:

Senator Mike McGinness, Vice Chair

DATE: _____