

**Amendment No. 158**

Assembly Amendment to Assembly Bill No. 233

(BDR 18-625)

**Proposed by:** Assembly Committee on Government Affairs**Amends:** Summary: No Title: No Preamble: No Joint Sponsorship: No Digest: Yes

<b>ASSEMBLY ACTION</b>		Initial and Date	<b>SENATE ACTION</b>		Initial and Date
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EXPLANATION: Matter in (1) ***blue bold italics*** is new language in the original bill; (2) ***green bold italic underlining*** is new language proposed in this amendment; (3) ***red strikethrough*** is deleted language in the original bill; (4) ***purple double strikethrough*** is language proposed to be deleted in this amendment; (5) ***orange double underlining*** is deleted language in the original bill that is proposed to be retained in this amendment; and (6) ***green bold*** is newly added transitory language.

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Date: 4/6/2007

A.B. No. 233—Increases the number of members of the Commission on Mental Health and Developmental Services. (BDR 18-625)



## ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 233—COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

(ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION ON MENTAL  
HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES)MARCH 1, 2007

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Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

**SUMMARY**—Increases the number of members of the Commission on Mental Health and Developmental Services. (BDR 18-625)

**FISCAL NOTE:** Effect on Local Government: No.  
Effect on the State: Yes.

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

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AN ACT relating to mental health; increasing the number of members of the Commission on Mental Health and Developmental Services; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

Under existing law, the Commission on Mental Health and Developmental Services in the Department of Health and Human Services consists of nine members appointed by the Governor. (NRS 232.361) This bill increases the number of members on the Commission to 10 members and requires that the additional member have knowledge and experience in the prevention ~~for~~ and treatment of alcohol and drug abuse. The Governor is required to appoint the additional member from a list of three candidates submitted by the Division of Mental Health and Developmental Services of the Department.

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

1       **Section 1.** NRS 232.361 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
2       232.361 1. There is hereby created in the Department a Commission on  
3       Mental Health and Developmental Services consisting of ~~nine~~ **10** members  
4       appointed by the Governor, at least ~~three~~ **3** of whom have training or experience  
5       in dealing with mental retardation.  
6       2. The Governor shall appoint:  
7           (a) A psychiatrist licensed to practice medicine in this State, from a list of three  
8       candidates submitted by the Nevada Psychiatric Association;  
9           (b) A psychologist licensed to practice in this State and experienced in clinical  
10      practice, from a list of four candidates submitted by the Nevada State Psychological  
11      Association, two of whom must be from northern Nevada and two of whom must  
12      be from southern Nevada;

1       (c) A physician, other than a psychiatrist, licensed to practice medicine in this  
2 State and who has experience in dealing with mental retardation, from a list of three  
3 candidates submitted by the Nevada State Medical Association;

4       (d) A social worker who has a master's degree and has experience in dealing  
5 with mental illness or mental retardation, or both;

6       (e) A registered nurse licensed to practice in this State who has experience in  
7 dealing with mental illness or mental retardation, or both, from a list of three  
8 candidates submitted by the Nevada Nurses Association;

9       (f) A marriage and family therapist licensed to practice in this State, from a list  
10 of three candidates submitted by the Nevada Association for Marriage and Family  
11 Therapy;

12       (g) *A person who has knowledge and experience in the prevention of alcohol  
13 and drug abuse ~~for~~ and the treatment and recovery of alcohol and drug abusers  
14 through a program or service provided pursuant to chapter 458 of NRS, from a  
15 list of three candidates submitted by the Division of Mental Health and  
16 Developmental Services of the Department;*

17       (h) A current or former recipient of mental health services provided by the  
18 State or any agency thereof;

19       ~~(i)~~ (i) A representative of the general public who has a special interest in the  
20 field of mental health; and

21       ~~(j)~~ (j) A representative of the general public who has a special interest in the  
22 field of mental retardation.

23       3. The Governor shall appoint the Chairman of the Commission from among  
24 its members.

25       4. After the initial terms, each member shall serve a term of 4 years. If a  
26 vacancy occurs during a member's term, the Governor shall appoint a person  
27 qualified under this section to replace that member for the remainder of the  
28 unexpired term.

29       **Sec. 2.** 1. As soon as practicable after July 1, 2007, but before September 1,  
30 2007, the Division of Mental Health and Developmental Services of the  
31 Department of Health and Human Services shall submit to the Governor a list of  
32 three candidates for appointment to the Commission on Mental Health and  
33 Developmental Services in accordance with paragraph (g) of subsection 2 of  
34 NRS 232.361.

35       2. On or before October 1, 2007, the Governor shall appoint from the list of  
36 candidates submitted by the Division pursuant to subsection 1 the member of the  
37 Commission described in paragraph (g) of subsection 2 of NRS 232.361 to an  
38 initial term of 4 years commencing on October 1, 2007.

39       **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2007.