

**Amendment No. 233**

Assembly Amendment to Assembly Bill No. 531

(BDR 54-513)

**Proposed by:** Assembly Committee on Commerce and Labor**Amends:** Summary: No Title: Yes Preamble: No Joint Sponsorship: No Digest: Yes

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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: 4/10/2007

A.B. No. 531—Makes certain changes to provisions concerning the Private Investigator's Licensing Board. (BDR 54-513)



## ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 531—COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND LABOR

(ON BEHALF OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL)

MARCH 26, 2007

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Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Makes certain changes to provisions concerning the Private Investigator's Licensing Board. (BDR 54-513)

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 private investigators; making certain changes concerning the membership of the Private Investigator's Licensing Board; **removing the Executive Director of the Board from the unclassified service of the State;** creating the Fund for the Private Investigator's Licensing Board; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

1 Existing law authorizes the Private Investigator's Licensing Board to license and regulate  
2 private investigators, private patrolmen, process servers, dog handlers, security consultants  
3 and polygraphic examiners. (Chapter 648 of NRS) Further, existing law provides that the  
4 Attorney General serves as Chairman of the Board and that money received by the Board  
5 pursuant to the provisions of chapter 648 of NRS must be deposited in the Attorney General's  
6 Special Fund. (NRS 648.020, 648.040) **Section 1** of this bill removes the Attorney General  
7 from the membership of the Board and adds another member to the Board who is a  
8 representative of the general public. (NRS 648.020) **Section 1** also requires the members of  
9 the Board to elect a Chairman from among the members. The Chairman serves a 2-year term  
10 beginning on July 1 of each year. **Section 2 of this bill removes the Executive Director of**  
11 **the Board from the unclassified service of the State. (NRS 648.025)** **Section 2 also**  
12 **authorizes the Board to employ an Executive Director who serves at the pleasure of the**  
13 **Board and requires the Board to establish the compensation of the Executive Director.**  
14 **Section 1** of this bill creates the Fund for the Private Investigator's Licensing Board and  
15 provides that any money received by the Board pursuant to the provisions of chapter 648 of  
16 NRS must be deposited in the State Treasury for credit to the Fund. Money in the Fund must  
17 be used by the Board for the administration of the provisions of chapter 648 of NRS and to  
18 pay the expenses and salary of members, agents and employees of the Board. (NRS 648.040)

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

1       **Section 1.** NRS 648.020 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2       648.020 1. The Private Investigator's Licensing Board, consisting of ~~the~~  
3       **Attorney General or his deputy and four** five members appointed by the Governor,  
4       is hereby created.

5       2. The Governor shall appoint:

- 6       (a) One member who is a private investigator.
- 7       (b) One member who is a private patrolman.
- 8       (c) One member who is a polygraphic examiner.
- 9       (d) ~~One member who is a representative~~ Two members who are

10      ~~representatives~~ of the general public. ~~This member~~ These members must not be:

11      (1) A licensee; or

12      (2) The spouse or the parent or child, by blood, marriage or adoption, of a  
13      licensee.

14      3. The ~~members of the Board shall elect a Chairman of the Board~~ is the  
15      ~~Attorney General or a deputy attorney general designated by the Attorney General~~  
16      ~~to act in that capacity,~~ from among its members by majority vote. After the initial  
17      ~~election, the Chairman shall hold office for a term of 2 years beginning on July 1~~  
18      ~~of each year. If a vacancy occurs in the chairmanship, the members of the Board~~  
19      ~~shall elect a Chairman from among its members for the remainder of the~~  
20      ~~unexpired term.~~

21      4. Each member of the Board ~~, except the Chairman,~~ is entitled to receive:

22      (a) A salary of not more than \$80, as fixed by the Board, for each day or  
23      portion of a day during which he attends a meeting of the Board; and

24      (b) A per diem allowance and travel expenses at a rate fixed by the Board,  
25      while engaged in the business of the Board. The rate must not exceed the rate  
26      provided for state officers and employees generally.

27      5. While engaged in the business of the Board, each employee of the Board is  
28      entitled to receive a per diem allowance and travel expenses at a rate fixed by the  
29      Board. The rate must not exceed the rate provided for state officers and employees  
30      generally.

31      6. ~~The~~ A member who is a representative of the general public shall not  
32      participate in preparing, conducting or grading any examination required by the  
33      Board.

34      **Sec. 2. NRS 648.025 is hereby amended to read as follows:**

35      648.025 1. The Board may:

36      ~~H~~. Appoint

37      (a) Employ an Executive Director who:

38      (b) Is in the unclassified service of the State; and

39      (c) Is the chief administrative officer of the Board;

40      (d) Serves at the pleasure of the Board; and

41      (e) Shall perform such duties as the Board may prescribe; and

42      (f) Employ investigators and clerical personnel necessary to carry out the  
43      provisions of this chapter.

44      2. The Board shall establish the compensation of the Executive Director.

45      ~~See. 2.~~ Sec. 3. NRS 648.040 is hereby amended to read as follows:

46      648.040 1. There is hereby created in the State General Fund the Fund  
47      for the Private Investigator's Licensing Board, to be administered by the Board.

48      2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection ~~6.~~ 7, all money received  
49      pursuant to the provisions of this chapter must be deposited in the State Treasury

1 for credit to the ~~Attorney General's Special~~ Fund *for the Private Investigator's*  
2 *Licensing Board* and must be used by the Board for the administration of this  
3 chapter and to pay the expenses and salary of members, agents and employees of  
4 the Board.

5 **[2.] 3. All claims against the Fund must be paid as other claims against the**  
6 ***State are paid.*** Any amount remaining in the Fund at the end of a fiscal year must  
7 be carried forward into the next fiscal year.

8 **[3.] 4.** The Board through majority vote controls exclusively the expenditures  
9 from the Fund. The Board may not make expenditures or incur liabilities in a total  
10 amount greater than the amount of money actually available in the Fund.

11 **[4.] 5.** Except as otherwise provided in subsection ~~[6.]~~ 7, the money in this  
12 Fund may be used to:

13 (a) Pay the expenses of the Board in connection with the investigation of the  
14 background of an applicant;

15 (b) Finance a substantive investigation of a licensee or of unlicensed activity;  
16 and

17 (c) Pay the operational and administrative expenses of the Board and its  
18 Secretary,

19 → and for such other expenses as the Board deems appropriate to regulate the  
20 persons subject to its supervision.

21 **[5.] 6.** In a manner consistent with the provisions of chapter 622A of NRS,  
22 the Board may delegate to a hearing officer or panel its authority to take any  
23 disciplinary action pursuant to this chapter, impose and collect fines therefor and  
24 deposit the money therefrom in the State Treasury for credit to the ~~Attorney~~  
25 ~~General's Special Fund.~~

26 **—6.] Fund for the Private Investigator's Licensing Board.**

27 7. If a hearing officer or panel is not authorized to take disciplinary action  
28 pursuant to subsection ~~[5.]~~ 6, the Board shall deposit the money collected from the  
29 imposition of fines with the State Treasurer for credit to the State General Fund. In  
30 such a case, the Board may present a claim to the State Board of Examiners for  
31 recommendation to the Interim Finance Committee if money is needed to pay  
32 attorney's fees or the costs of an investigation, or both.

33 **[See. 3.] Sec. 4.** On July 1, 2007:

34 1. The State Controller shall transfer all money received pursuant to the  
35 provisions of chapter 648 of NRS and remaining in the Attorney General's Special  
36 Fund to the Fund for the Private Investigator's Licensing Board created pursuant to  
37 NRS 648.040, as amended by this act.

38 2. All assets and liabilities of the Attorney General's Special Fund which  
39 concern the activities of the Private Investigator's Licensing Board become the  
40 assets and liabilities of the Fund for the Private Investigator's Licensing Board.

41 **[See. 4.] Sec. 5.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2007.