

Amendment No. 65

Senate Amendment to Senate Bill No. 267

(BDR 17-205)

Proposed by: Senate Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections**Amends:** Summary: Yes Title: Yes Preamble: No Joint Sponsorship: No Digest: Yes

ASSEMBLY ACTION				Initial and Date	SENATE ACTION				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: 4/4/2007

S.B. No. 267—Creates the Legislative Committee on Water Resources.
(BDR 17-205)



SENATE BILL NO. 267—COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE
OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS

(ON BEHALF OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION'S
COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE USE, MANAGEMENT,
AND ALLOCATION OF WATER RESOURCES)

MARCH 13, 2007

Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—~~{Creates}~~ Revises the powers and duties of the Legislative
Committee on ~~{Water Resources.}~~ Public Lands. (BDR 17-205)

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.

AN ACT relating to ~~{water; creating the Legislative Committee on Water
Resources; providing for its membership; prescribing the powers and
duties of the Committee; providing for the prospective expiration of
the Committee;}~~ the Legislative Committee on Public Lands; revising
the duties of the Committee; authorizing the Committee to review and
comment on issues relating to water resources in this State; and
providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

~~{Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 26 of the 2005 Regular Session of the Nevada
Legislature directed the Legislative Commission to appoint a committee of Legislators to
conduct an interim study of the use, management and allocation of water resources in Nevada.
This resolution also required the Legislative Commission to submit a report setting forth the
results of the interim study and any recommendations for legislation to the 74th Session of the
Nevada Legislature.}~~

~~Section 3 of this bill creates a permanent statutory committee relating to water designated
the Legislative Committee on Water Resources. Section 4 of this bill sets forth the duties of
the Committee concerning meetings, voting, recommending legislation and the payment of
compensation and travel expenses of the members of the Committee. Section 5}~~ Existing law
establishes the duties of the Legislative Committee on Public Lands. Certain duties of the
Committee, including reviewing the programs and activities of: (1) the Colorado River
Commission of Nevada; (2) all public water authorities, districts and systems in this State;
and (3) all other public or private entities who have agreements with counties concerning
the planning, development or distribution of water resources, expire by limitation on
June 30, 2007. (NRS 218.5368)

Section 1 of this bill authorizes the Committee to engage in various activities relating to
water resources, including, without limitation, studying and commenting on laws, regulations
and policies regulating the use, allocation and management of water resources in Nevada.

~~Section 6 of this bill authorizes the Committee to administer oaths, cause the deposition of witnesses and issue subpoenas for certain purposes. Section 7 of this bill entitles a witness, other than a state officer or employee, to receive certain fees and payment for mileage if the witness appears before the Committee. Section 8 of this bill provides that the bill becomes effective upon passage and approval and expires by limitation on June 30, 2015. Section 2 of this bill removes the provision that requires certain duties of the Committee to expire by limitation on June 30, 2007.~~

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

Delete existing sections 1 through 8 of this bill and replace with the following new sections 1 through 3:

Section 1. NRS 218.5368 is hereby amended to read as follows:

218.5368 1. The Committee shall:

~~(1)~~ (a) Actively support the efforts of state and local governments in the western states regarding public lands and state sovereignty as impaired by federal ownership of land.

~~(2)~~ (b) Advance knowledge and understanding in local, regional and national forums of Nevada's unique situation with respect to public lands.

~~(3)~~ (c) Support legislation that will enhance state and local roles in the management of public lands and will increase the disposal of public lands.

~~4. Review~~

2. The Committee:

(a) Shall review the programs and activities of:

~~(a)~~ (1) The Colorado River Commission of Nevada;

~~(b)~~ (2) All public water authorities, districts and systems in the State of Nevada, including, without limitation, the Southern Nevada Water Authority, the Truckee Meadows Water Authority, the Virgin Valley Water District, the Carson Water Subconservancy District, the Humboldt River Basin Water Authority and the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District; and

~~(c)~~ (3) All other public or private entities with which any county in the State has an agreement regarding the planning, development or distribution of water resources, or any combination thereof.

~~5. On~~;

(b) Shall, on or before January 15 of each odd-numbered year, submit to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the Legislature a report concerning the review conducted pursuant to ~~subsection 4,~~ paragraph (a); and

(c) May review and comment on other issues relating to water resources in this State, including, without limitation:

(1) The laws, regulations and policies regulating the use, allocation and management of water in this State; and

(2) The status of existing information and studies relating to water use, surface water resources and groundwater resources in this State.

Sec. 2. Section 11 of chapter 408, Statutes of Nevada 2003, at page 2507, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 11. ~~(1)~~ This act becomes effective on July 1, 2003.

~~(2. The amendatory provisions of section 9 of this act expire by limitation on June 30, 2007.)~~

Sec. 3. This act becomes effective on June 29, 2007.