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**SENATE BILL NO. 113—SENATOR HORSFORD**

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

**SUMMARY**—Makes various changes relating to the Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice. (BDR 14-626)

**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 the criminal justice system; creating statutory subcommittees of the Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice; transferring responsibility for staff support of the Advisory Commission from the Attorney General to the Legislative Counsel Bureau; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

1      **Section 2** of this bill creates in statute the Subcommittee on Juvenile Justice of  
2      the Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice. **Section 2** also: (1)  
3      requires the Chairman of the Commission to appoint the members of the  
4      Subcommittee; (2) requires the Subcommittee to study issues related to juvenile  
5      justice and report to the Commission with recommendations to address such issues;  
6      and (3) sets forth the salaries and per diem that members of the Subcommittee may  
7      receive.

8      **Section 3** of this bill creates in statute a Subcommittee on Victims of Crime of  
9      the Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice. **Section 3** also: (1)  
10     requires the Chairman of the Commission to appoint the members of the  
11     Subcommittee; (2) requires the Subcommittee to study issues related to victims of  
12     crime and report to the Commission with recommendations to address such issues;  
13     and (3) sets forth the salaries and per diem that members of the Subcommittee may  
14     receive.

15     **Section 5** of this bill transfers responsibility for staff support of the Advisory  
16     Commission from the Attorney General to the Director of the Legislative Counsel  
17     Bureau.

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

1       **Section 1.** Chapter 176 of NRS is hereby amended by adding  
2 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 and 3 of this act.

3       **Sec. 2. 1. There is hereby created the Subcommittee on**  
4 **Juvenile Justice of the Commission.**

5       **2. The Chairman of the Commission shall appoint the**  
6 **members of the Subcommittee and designate one of the members**  
7 **of the Subcommittee as Chairman of the Subcommittee. The**  
8 **Chairman of the Subcommittee must be a member of the**  
9 **Commission.**

10      **3. The Subcommittee shall meet at the times and places**  
11 **specified by a call of the Chairman. A majority of the members of**  
12 **the Subcommittee constitutes a quorum, and a quorum may**  
13 **exercise any power or authority conferred on the Subcommittee.**

14      **4. The Subcommittee shall consider issues related to juvenile**  
15 **justice and shall evaluate, review and submit a report to the**  
16 **Commission with recommendations concerning such issues.**

17      **5. Any Legislators who are members of the Subcommittee are**  
18 **entitled to receive the salary provided for a majority of the**  
19 **members of the Legislature during the first 60 days of**  
20 **the preceding session for each day's attendance at a meeting of**  
21 **the Subcommittee.**

22      **6. While engaged in the business of the Subcommittee, to the**  
23 **extent of legislative appropriation, each member of the**  
24 **Subcommittee is entitled to receive the per diem allowance and**  
25 **travel expenses provided for state officers and employees**  
26 **generally.**

27      **Sec. 3. 1. There is hereby created the Subcommittee on**  
28 **Victims of Crime of the Commission.**

29      **2. The Chairman of the Commission shall appoint the**  
30 **members of the Subcommittee and designate one of the members**  
31 **of the Subcommittee as Chairman of the Subcommittee. The**  
32 **Chairman of the Subcommittee must be a member of the**  
33 **Commission.**

34      **3. The Subcommittee shall meet at the times and places**  
35 **specified by a call of the Chairman. A majority of the members of**  
36 **the Subcommittee constitutes a quorum, and a quorum may**  
37 **exercise any power or authority conferred on the Subcommittee.**

38      **4. The Subcommittee shall consider issues related to victims**  
39 **of crime and shall evaluate, review and submit a report to the**  
40 **Commission with recommendations concerning such issues.**

41      **5. Any Legislators who are members of the Subcommittee are**  
42 **entitled to receive the salary provided for a majority of the**



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2    the preceding session for each day's attendance at a meeting of  
3    the Subcommittee.*

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5    extent of legislative appropriation, each member of the  
6    Subcommittee is entitled to receive the per diem allowance and  
7    travel expenses provided for state officers and employees  
8    generally.*

9    **Sec. 4.** NRS 176.0121 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
10    176.0121 As used in NRS 176.0121 to 176.0129, inclusive,  
11    **and sections 2 and 3 of this act,** "Commission" means the Advisory  
12    Commission on the Administration of Justice.

13    **Sec. 5.** NRS 176.0123 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
14    176.0123 1. The Advisory Commission on the  
15    Administration of Justice is hereby created. The Commission  
16    consists of:

17        (a) One member who is a district judge, appointed by the  
18    governing body of the Nevada District Judges Association;

19        (b) One member who is a justice of the Supreme Court of  
20    Nevada or a retired justice of the Supreme Court of Nevada,  
21    appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Nevada;

22        (c) One member who is a district attorney, appointed by the  
23    governing body of the Nevada District Attorneys Association;

24        (d) One member who is an attorney in private practice,  
25    experienced in defending criminal actions, appointed by the  
26    governing body of the State Bar of Nevada;

27        (e) One member who is a public defender, appointed by the  
28    governing body of the State Bar of Nevada;

29        (f) One member who is a representative of a law enforcement  
30    agency, appointed by the Governor;

31        (g) One member who is a representative of the Division of  
32    Parole and Probation of the Department of Public Safety, appointed  
33    by the Governor;

34        (h) One member who has been a victim of a crime or is a  
35    representative of an organization supporting the rights of victims of  
36    crime, appointed by the Governor;

37        (i) One member who is a representative of an organization that  
38    advocates on behalf of inmates, appointed by the Governor;

39        (j) One member who is a representative of the Nevada Sheriffs'  
40    and Chiefs' Association, appointed by the Nevada Sheriffs' and  
41    Chiefs' Association;

42        (k) One member who is a member of the State Board of Parole  
43    Commissioners, appointed by the State Board of Parole  
44    Commissioners;

45        (l) The Director of the Department of Corrections;



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1       (m) Two members who are Senators, one of whom is appointed  
2 by the Majority Leader of the Senate and one of whom is appointed  
3 by the Minority Leader of the Senate; and

4       (n) Two members who are Assemblymen, one of whom is  
5 appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly and one of whom is  
6 appointed by the Minority Leader of the Assembly.

7       → If any association listed in this subsection ceases to exist, the  
8 appointment required by this subsection must be made by the  
9 association's successor in interest or, if there is no successor in  
10 interest, by the Governor.

11      2. The Attorney General is an ex officio voting member of the  
12 Commission.

13      3. Each appointed member serves a term of 2 years. Members  
14 may be reappointed for additional terms of 2 years in the same  
15 manner as the original appointments. Any vacancy occurring in the  
16 membership of the Commission must be filled in the same manner  
17 as the original appointment not later than 30 days after the vacancy  
18 occurs.

19      4. The Legislators who are members of the Commission are  
20 entitled to receive the salary provided for a majority of the members  
21 of the Legislature during the first 60 days of the preceding session  
22 for each day's attendance at a meeting of the Commission.

23      5. At the first regular meeting of each odd-numbered year, the  
24 members of the Commission shall elect a Chairman by majority  
25 vote who shall serve until the next Chairman is elected.

26      6. The Commission shall meet at least once every 3 months  
27 and may meet at such further times as deemed necessary by the  
28 Chairman.

29      7. A majority of the members of the Commission constitutes a  
30 quorum for the transaction of business, and a majority of those  
31 members present at any meeting is sufficient for any official action  
32 taken by the Commission.

33      8. While engaged in the business of the Commission, to the  
34 extent of legislative appropriation, each member of the Commission  
35 is entitled to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses  
36 provided for state officers and employees generally.

37      9. To the extent of legislative appropriation, the [Attorney  
38 General] *Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau* shall provide  
39 the Commission with such staff as is necessary to carry out the  
40 duties of the Commission.

41      **Sec. 6.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2009.

