

SENATE BILL NO. 146—COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

FEBRUARY 18, 2009

Referred to Committee on Finance

SUMMARY—Provides funding to the Department of Wildlife for certain projects. (BDR S-652)

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

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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 the Department of Wildlife; providing funding to the Department of Wildlife for certain projects; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 The Legislature submitted to the voters of this State, and the voters approved, at
2 the general election held on November 5, 2002, a proposal to issue general
3 obligation bonds of the State to protect, preserve and obtain the benefits of the
4 property and natural resources of this State in an amount not to exceed
5 \$200,000,000. Of this amount, \$27,500,000 was allocated to the Division of
6 Wildlife of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. (Chapter
7 6, Statutes of Nevada 2001, 17th Special Session, p. 104) This bill requires that
8 \$225,000 be allocated to the Department of Wildlife for a coordinator and related
9 costs to ensure that local, state and federal entities work together to: (1) protect and
10 restore sagebrush habitats; (2) restore areas damaged by wildfires; (3) prevent
11 wildfires; or (4) reduce cheatgrass.

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

1 **Section 1.** Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 6,
2 Statutes of Nevada 2001, 17th Special Session, from the Fund to
3 Protect Natural Resources, administered by the State Department of
4 Conservation and Natural Resources pursuant to subsection 5 of
5 section 3 of that act, the sum of \$225,000 must be allocated to the
6 Department of Wildlife to create and fund a position for a
7 coordinator and related costs to ensure local, state and federal
8 entities are working together to:



- 1 1. Protect and restore sagebrush habitats.
- 2 2. Restore areas damaged by wildfires.
- 3 3. Prevent wildfires.
- 4 4. Reduce cheatgrass.

5 **Sec. 2.** Any remaining balance of the allocation made by
6 section 1 of this act not committed for expenditure by June 30,
7 2011, must be reverted to the Fund to Protect Natural Resources.

8 **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

