

Amendment No. 692

Senate Amendment to Assembly Bill No. 501 First Reprint (BDR S-1103)

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 underlining*** is newly added transitory language.

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Date: 5/22/2011

A.B. No. 501—Provides for a study of issues regarding the death penalty.
(BDR S-1103)



**ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 501—COMMITTEE ON
LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS**

MARCH 28, 2011

Referred to Concurrent Committees on Legislative
Operations and Elections and Ways and Means

SUMMARY—Provides for ~~a study of issues regarding~~ an audit of the fiscal costs of the death penalty. (BDR S-1103)

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 ~~is omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to the death penalty; providing for ~~a study of issues regarding~~ an audit of the fiscal costs of the death penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

This bill requires the ~~Audit Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau~~ Legislative Commission to direct the Legislative Auditor to conduct ~~a staff study on~~ an audit of the fiscal costs of the death penalty in Nevada. The ~~Study~~ audit must include, without limitation, an examination and analysis of the costs of prosecuting and adjudicating capital cases compared to noncapital cases. The Legislative Auditor is required to ~~submit~~ present a final written report of ~~findings to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau~~ the audit to the Audit Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission on or before January 31, 2013.

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

1 **Section 1.** (Deleted by amendment.)

2 **Sec. 2.** 1. The Legislative Commission shall direct the ~~Audit Division of~~
3 ~~the~~ Legislative [Counsel Bureau] Auditor to conduct ~~a staff study~~ an audit of
4 the fiscal costs associated with the death penalty in this State.

5 2. The ~~Study~~ audit conducted pursuant to this section must include an
6 examination and analysis concerning the costs of prosecuting and adjudicating
7 capital murder cases as compared to noncapital murder cases, including, without
8 limitation, the costs relating to the death penalty borne by the State of Nevada and
9 by the local governments in this State at each stage of the proceedings in capital
10 murder cases, including pretrial costs, trial costs, appellate and postconviction costs
11 and costs of incarceration such as:

12 (a) The costs of legal counsel involved in the prosecution and defense of a
13 capital murder case for all pretrial, trial and postconviction proceedings; and

1 (b) Additional procedural costs involved in capital murder cases as compared
2 to noncapital murder cases, including, without limitation, costs relating to:

3 (1) Processing of bonds, including investigative costs of prosecutors,
4 police and other staff;

5 (2) Investigation of a case before a person is charged with a crime,
6 including costs for investigation by the prosecution and the defense;

7 (3) Pretrial motions;

8 (4) Extradition;

9 (5) Psychiatric and medical evaluations;

10 (6) Expert witnesses;

11 (7) Juries;

12 (8) Sentencing proceedings;

13 (9) Appellate and postconviction proceedings, including motions, writs of
14 certiorari and state and federal petitions for postconviction relief;

15 (10) Requests for clemency;

16 (11) Incarceration of persons awaiting trial in capital murder cases and
17 persons sentenced to death; and

18 (12) Execution of a sentence of death, including costs of facilities and staff.

19 3. The audit must be conducted in the manner set forth in NRS 218G.010
20 to 218G.450, inclusive, and for purposes of the audit the provisions of those
21 sections are applicable to a local government in the same manner as to an
22 agency of the State.

23 4. On or before January 31, 2013, the Legislative Auditor shall ~~submit~~
24 ~~present~~ a ~~final~~ written report of ~~any~~ findings to the Director of the Legislative
25 ~~Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the 77th Session of the Nevada Legislature, the~~
26 ~~audit to the Audit Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission created by~~
27 ~~NRS 218E.240.~~

28 Sec. 3. This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.