

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 168—ASSEMBLYWOMAN CARLTON

FEBRUARY 25, 2013

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources,
Agriculture, and Mining

SUMMARY—Requires the membership of each county advisory board to manage wildlife to include one qualified member who represents the interests of the general public. (BDR 45-780)

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 wildlife; requiring the membership of each county advisory board to manage wildlife to include one qualified member who represents the interests of the general public; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Existing law establishes a county advisory board to manage wildlife in each
2 county in the State of Nevada. (NRS 501.260) The boards are required to solicit
3 and evaluate local opinion and advise the Board of Wildlife Commissioners on
4 matters relating to the management of wildlife within their respective counties,
5 including recommendations for setting seasons for fishing, hunting and trapping,
6 bag limits and hours. (NRS 501.297, 501.303) The board of county commissioners
7 of each county is required to appoint the members of the county advisory board to
8 manage wildlife for the county. Each person appointed to a county advisory board
9 is required to: (1) be a hunter, trapper, angler or a person engaged in ranching or
10 farming; and (2) reside in the county in which the board sits. (NRS 501.265,
11 501.270) This bill requires each board of county commissioners to appoint one
12 person who represents the interests of the general public to occupy one position on
13 the county advisory board to manage wildlife in that county. This bill also requires
14 the board of county commissioners, when filling a vacancy in the membership of a
15 hunter, trapper, angler, rancher or farmer, to consider the recommendations of
16 persons who are engaged in ranching or farming in the county.



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

Section 1. NRS 501.265 is hereby amended to read as follows:
501.265 1. The board of county commissioners shall appoint
qualified persons to the board who are residents of the county and
are:

- (a) Hunters, trappers or anglers; or
- (b) Engaged in ranching or farming in the county.

2. *In addition to the members appointed pursuant to
subsection 1, the board of county commissioners shall appoint one
qualified person to the board who represents the interests of the
general public of the county. The person appointed pursuant to
this subsection must be a resident of the county from which he or
she is appointed.*

3. Within 60 days after a vacancy occurs, the board of county
commissioners shall, *if the vacant member was appointed:*

(a) *Pursuant to subsection 1,* appoint a member to the board
upon the recommendation of ~~the organized~~ :

(1) *Organizations that represent* hunters, trappers or anglers
~~and residents of~~ in the county ~~;~~
~~—3.;~~ and

(2) *Persons who are engaged in ranching or farming in the
county.*

(b) *Pursuant to subsection 2, appoint a member to the board
pursuant to the provisions of that subsection.*

4. Within 90 days after a vacancy occurs, the board of county
commissioners shall report to the Commission the name and address
of each member appointed.

Sec. 2. 1. As soon as practicable after the first vacancy in the
membership of a county advisory board to manage wildlife occurs
on or after July 1, 2013, the board of county commissioners which
appoints the members of that county advisory board to manage
wildlife shall appoint one member who is qualified to represent the
interests of the general public pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS
501.265, as amended by section 1 of this act.

2. Upon appointing the member of the county advisory board
to manage wildlife pursuant to subsection 1, the board of county
commissioners shall submit the name and address of the appointed
member to the Board of Wildlife Commissioners.

Sec. 3. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2013.

