

Amendment No. 923

Senate Amendment to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 9 (BDR R-1223)

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

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: 5/30/2013

S.C.R. No. 9—Directs the Legislative Commission to appoint a committee to conduct an interim study regarding working conditions at state correctional institutions and facilities. (BDR R-1223)



SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9—COMMITTEE
ON LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS

MAY 15, 2013

Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Directs the Legislative Commission to appoint a committee to conduct an interim study regarding working conditions at state correctional institutions and facilities. (BDR R-1223)

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Directing the Legislative Commission to appoint a committee to conduct an interim study regarding working conditions at state correctional institutions and facilities.

WHEREAS, Our State needs safe, secure, efficient and effective correctional institutions and facilities for the proper functioning of our State's criminal justice system and for the maintenance of a well-functioning society in our State; and

WHEREAS, Safe, secure, efficient and effective correctional institutions and facilities cannot exist without the dedicated, hard-working correctional officers, employees and other ~~employees~~ persons who work in these potentially difficult, stressful and dangerous environments; and

WHEREAS, The correctional officers, employees and other ~~employees of persons who work at~~ this State's correctional institutions and facilities cannot do their work efficiently and effectively and maintain safe and secure environments in these institutions and facilities without appropriate staffing levels at the institutions and facilities, without well-designed policies and procedures governing the entire system of institutions and facilities and without well-monitored and supportive management practices in place at each institution and facility; and

WHEREAS, The staffing levels at this State's correctional institutions and facilities, the policies and procedures governing this State's system of correctional institutions and facilities, and the management practices at each institution and facility dramatically affect working conditions and should be regularly examined to ensure that they remain appropriate and effective for the physical safety and psychological support of correctional officers, employees and other ~~employees of persons who work at~~ this State's correctional institutions and facilities, in addition to ensuring that they remain appropriate and effective in providing safe, secure, efficient and effective correctional institutions and facilities for all offenders, all other persons associated with the institutions and facilities and all other members of the public; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the Legislative Commission is hereby directed to appoint a committee to conduct an interim study of the working conditions at this State's correctional institutions and facilities to ensure that:

1. The staffing levels are adequate and appropriate;

2. The system-wide policies and procedures are appropriate and effective;
3. Appropriate and effective management practices are in place to protect the physical safety and to support the psychological well-being of all correctional officers, employees and other ~~employees~~ persons who work at the institutions and facilities; and

4. The system as a whole is providing the safe, secure, efficient and effective correctional institutions and facilities this State needs and deserves; and be it further

RESOLVED, That, as soon as practicable after July 1, 2013, the Legislative Commission shall appoint a committee composed of three members of the Senate and three members of the Assembly to conduct the study, one of whom must be appointed by the Commission to serve as Chair of the committee; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the committee shall consult with and solicit input from persons and organizations with expertise in matters relevant to this State's correctional institutions and facilities, including, without limitation, consulting with and soliciting input from correctional officers, employees and other ~~employees of~~ persons who work at the institutions and facilities; and be it further

RESOLVED, That in studying this State's correctional institutions and facilities, the committee shall consider, without limitation:

1. Other states' laws, staffing levels, policies, procedures and management practices relating to correctional institutions and facilities; and

2. The advisability of using staffing committees comprised of both persons who hold managerial positions and persons who hold nonmanagerial ~~employees~~ positions to develop staffing plans and to make recommendations for policies, procedures and management practices relating to this State's correctional institutions and facilities; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the committee appointed by the Legislative Commission to conduct this interim study shall submit a report of its findings, including, without limitation, any proposed changes to staffing levels, policies, procedures or management practices relating to this State's correctional institutions and facilities and any recommendations for legislation, to the 78th Session of the Nevada Legislature; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy of this resolution to each member of the Board of State Prison Commissioners and to the Director of the Department of Corrections.