

SENATE BILL NO. 121—SENATOR GOICOECHEA (BY REQUEST)

FEBRUARY 13, 2013

JOINT SPONSORS: ASSEMBLYMEN OSCARSON; AND ELLISON

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources

SUMMARY—Authorizes the State Land Registrar to transfer the Belmont Courthouse to Nye County. (BDR S-268)

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 state lands; authorizing the State Land Registrar to transfer the Belmont Courthouse to Nye County without consideration; setting forth the conditions pursuant to which such transfer is to be made; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law authorizes the State Land Registrar to transfer land owned by the State of Nevada under certain circumstances. (NRS 321.003) **Section 1** of this bill authorizes the State Land Registrar to transfer the Belmont Courthouse to Nye County, without consideration, and requires Nye County to pay the costs relating to any such transfer of the property. **Section 3** of this bill provides the legal description of the Belmont Courthouse.

If the State executes a deed for real property which is transferred to a local government and which is part of a state park, the deed is required to include restrictions that: (1) protect the historical and recreational value of the property; (2) guarantee public access to the property; and (3) prevent the local government or any successor in title from transferring the property without authorization by a concurrent resolution of the Legislature. The deed must also provide that any breach of these restrictions results in a reversion of the applicable property to the State. (NRS 321.135) **Section 2** of this bill requires the deed transferring ownership of the Belmont Courthouse to Nye County to contain the preceding restrictions and provisions.



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

Section 1. The State Land Registrar may, without consideration, transfer to Nye County all the interest of the State of Nevada in the real property described in section 3 of this act. Nye County shall pay the costs relating to any such transfer of the real property.

Sec. 2. The deed transferring ownership of the real property described in section 3 of this act from the State of Nevada to Nye County must:

1. Include restrictions that:

(a) Protect all historical and recreational value of the property;
(b) Guarantee public access to the property; and
(c) Prohibit Nye County or any successor in title from selling, leasing, encumbering, alienating or otherwise disposing of the property or any interest in the property without authorization by a concurrent resolution of the Legislature; and

2. Provide for the reversion of title to the property to the State of Nevada upon the breach of any restriction specified in subsection 1.

Sec. 3. The real property that the State Land Registrar is authorized to transfer to Nye County pursuant to section 1 of this act is commonly known as the Belmont Courthouse and is described as follows:

All of block 6 in the Town of Belmont according to the map thereof dated 1914.

Sec. 4. This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

