

SENATE BILL NO. 202—SENATORS ROBERSON, DENIS, GOICOECHEA, HARDY; JONES, KIHUEN, PARKS, SEGERBLOM, SETTELMAYER, SPEARMAN AND WOODHOUSE (BY REQUEST)

MARCH 1, 2013

JOINT SPONSOR: ASSEMBLYMAN HARDY

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Creates the Nevada Advisory Committee on Intergovernmental Relations as a statutory committee. (BDR 19-905)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.  
Effect on the State: Yes.

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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 governmental administration; creating the Nevada Advisory Committee on Intergovernmental Relations as a statutory committee; setting forth the membership and advisory duties of the Committee; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

- 1 This bill creates the Nevada Advisory Committee on Intergovernmental
- 2 Relations, a statutory committee whose duties include: (1) fostering effective
- 3 communication, cooperation and partnerships among the State Government and
- 4 local governments to improve the provision of governmental services to the people
- 5 of this State; (2) serving as a forum for the discussion and resolution of
- 6 intergovernmental problems; and (3) conducting certain studies.



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

**Section 1.** Title 19 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new chapter to consist of the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 13, inclusive, of this act.

**Sec. 2.** *As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires, "Committee" means the Nevada Advisory Committee on Intergovernmental Relations created by section 3 of this act.*

**Sec. 3.** *The Nevada Advisory Committee on Intergovernmental Relations is hereby created.*

**Sec. 4.** *The Committee consists of nine members as follows:*

*1. Three members appointed by the Executive Director of the Nevada Association of Counties, each of whom must be a member of the board of county commissioners of a different county of this State.*

*2. Three members appointed by the Executive Director of the Nevada League of Cities, each of whom must be a member of the governing body of a different city of this State.*

*3. Three members appointed by the Governor, each of whom must be an employee or authorized representative of a different agency of the Executive Branch of the State Government.*

**Sec. 5.** *1. The term of office of each member of the Committee is 2 years, commencing on July 1 of an odd-numbered year.*

*2. A vacancy on the Committee must be filled in the same manner as the original appointment for the remainder of the unexpired term.*

*3. A member may be reappointed to the Committee.*

**Sec. 6.** *1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2:*

*(a) The members of the Committee shall elect a Chair and a Vice Chair from among their number by majority vote.*

*(b) After the initial election, the Chair and the Vice Chair shall hold office for a term of 1 year beginning on July 1 of each year.*

*2. If the position of Chair or Vice Chair becomes vacant, the members of the Committee shall elect a Chair or a Vice Chair, as appropriate, from among their number by majority vote for the remainder of the unexpired term.*

**Sec. 7.** (Deleted by amendment.)

**Sec. 8.** *The Nevada Association of Counties or the Nevada League of Cities, or both, shall provide the Committee with administrative support.*

**Sec. 9.** *The Committee may, to assist in the completion of its duties and on such occasions as it deems necessary, create an advisory board consisting of:*



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1 *1. Members of the Executive Branch of the State*  
2 *Government;*

3 *2. Persons involved in the management of a county, city or*  
4 *other municipality;*

5 *3. Such other personnel as the Committee determines are*  
6 *needed; or*

7 *4. Any combination of the persons described in subsections 1,*  
8 *2 and 3.*

9 **Sec. 10.** *1. The Committee shall meet at least once every 3*  
10 *months and at such other times as the Chair may designate.*

11 *2. A majority of the members of the Committee constitutes a*  
12 *quorum for the transaction of business, and a majority of those*  
13 *members present at any meeting is sufficient for any official*  
14 *action taken by the Committee.*

15 *3. The Committee shall comply with the provisions of chapter*  
16 *241 of NRS, and all meetings of the Committee must be conducted*  
17 *in accordance with that chapter.*

18 **Sec. 11.** *1. The Committee shall:*

19 *(a) Foster effective communication, cooperation and*  
20 *partnerships among the State Government and local governments*  
21 *to improve the provision of governmental services to the people of*  
22 *this State.*

23 *(b) Serve as a forum for the discussion and resolution of*  
24 *intergovernmental problems among the State Government and*  
25 *local governments.*

26 *(c) Engage in activities and conduct studies relating to,*  
27 *without limitation:*

28 *(1) The structure of local governments;*

29 *(2) The functions and powers, including, without*  
30 *limitation, fiscal powers, of local governments;*

31 *(3) Relationships among the State Government and local*  
32 *governments;*

33 *(4) The allocation of state and local resources; and*

34 *(5) Any appropriate legislation to be recommended*  
35 *pursuant to section 12 of this act.*

36 *(d) Between legislative sessions, conduct such studies*  
37 *pertaining to particular areas of policy as the Legislature may*  
38 *direct.*

39 *2. As used in this section, "local government" has the*  
40 *meaning ascribed to it in NRS 354.474.*

41 **Sec. 12.** *On or before July 1 of each even-numbered year,*  
42 *the Committee may submit not more than five recommendations*  
43 *for legislation to:*



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1     ***1. The person who was the Chair of the Senate Standing***  
2     ***Committee on Government Affairs during the immediately***  
3     ***preceding session of the Legislature; and***

4     ***2. The person who was the Chair of the Assembly Standing***  
5     ***Committee on Government Affairs during the immediately***  
6     ***preceding session of the Legislature.***

7     **Sec. 13.** *On or before July 1 of each year, the Committee*  
8     *shall prepare and submit to the Director of the Legislative Counsel*  
9     *Bureau for transmission to the Legislature, or for transmission to*  
10    *the Legislative Commission if the Legislature is not in session, a*  
11    *report setting forth the activities and findings of the Committee*  
12    *during the previous year. The report submitted on or before*  
13    *July 1, 2016, must include, without limitation, the opinion of the*  
14    *Committee as to whether the Committee should continue to exist.*

15    **Sec. 14.** 1. This section and section 4 of this act become  
16    effective upon passage and approval for the purpose of appointing  
17    members to the Nevada Advisory Committee on Intergovernmental  
18    Relations.

19    2. Sections 1, 2, 3 and 5 to 13, inclusive, of this act become  
20    effective on July 1, 2013.

21    3. This act expires by limitation on June 30, 2017.

