

Amendment No. 870

Senate Amendment to Senate Bill No. 185 First Reprint	(BDR 42-121)
Proposed by: Senator Kieckhefer	
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) variations of green bold underlining is language proposed to be added 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 proposed to be retained in this amendment.

EGO/BJE



Date: 5/18/2015

S.B. No. 185—Makes changes relating to fire and related emergency services in certain counties. (BDR 42-121)



SENATE BILL NO. 185--SENATOR KIECKHEFER

FEBRUARY 23, 2015

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Makes **temporary** changes relating to fire and related emergency services in certain counties. (BDR 42-121)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.
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 suppression of fires; **temporarily** requiring the entity that is responsible for the closest emergency fire-fighting vehicle to respond to and suppress certain fires in certain counties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law authorizes the municipalities of this State to provide fire protection services. (NRS 268.730) Existing law also authorizes the creation of districts for a fire department by boards of county commissioners and the creation of fire protection districts and county fire protection districts. (NRS 244.2961, 473.034, 474.110, 474.460) ~~(This)~~ **Section 1 of this bill** requires, in a county whose population is 100,000 or more but less than 700,000 (currently Washoe County), the entity that is responsible for the emergency fire-fighting vehicle located closest to a structure or brush fire to respond to and take all actions necessary to suppress the fire regardless of whether the location of the fire falls within the territory served by the entity. **Section 2 of this bill provides that the provisions of section 1 expire by limitation on June 30, 2017.**

WHEREAS, The provision of fire protection and related emergency services is fundamental to what the people of this State expect from their local governments; and

WHEREAS, Providing such services in a timely, effective and efficient manner is critical to the protection of life and property; and

WHEREAS, The infighting that has continuously occurred for several years between the entities that provide fire protection and related emergency services in Washoe County threatens the lives and property of the people of this State who reside in that county; and

WHEREAS, The failure of the local governments in Washoe County to resolve this dispute in a timely manner now requires the Nevada Legislature to intervene and ensure that the lives and property of the people of this State who reside in Washoe County are no longer put at risk by the reluctance of these entities to find an agreement that protects their residents; now, therefore,

1 THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
2 SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:
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4 **Section 1.** Chapter 475 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new
5 section to read as follows:

6 *Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, in a county whose*
7 *population is 100,000 or more but less than 700,000, the entity that is responsible*
8 *for the emergency fire-fighting vehicle located closest to a structure or brush fire*
9 *shall respond to and take all actions necessary to suppress the fire regardless of*
10 *whether the fire occurs within the territory served by the entity.*

11 **Sec. 2.** This act expires by limitation on June 30, 2017.