

SENATE BILL NO. 213—COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

MARCH 5, 2015

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to federal assistance received by agencies of the Executive Department of State Government. (BDR 31-838)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
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 state financial administration; requiring the Chief of the Budget Division of the Department of Administration to maintain a database of certain information relating to federal assistance received by agencies of the Executive Department of the State Government; requiring the Chief to prepare an annual report that contains information relating to federal assistance programs; requiring the Fiscal Analysis Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau to prepare an advisory report containing information with respect to federal assistance programs; requiring the Chief to submit annually both reports to the Governor and the Legislature; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Existing law requires each agency of the Executive Department of the State
2 Government that requests money, equipment, material or services from the Federal
3 Government to submit its request or budget to the office of the Chief of the Budget
4 Division of the Department of Administration and to resubmit, upon approval by
5 the federal authority, the request or budget to the Chief and to the Fiscal Analysis
6 Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for recording before any allotment or
7 encumbrance of the federal money is made. (NRS 353.245) This bill requires: (1)
8 the Chief to maintain a database of each request or budget submitted or resubmitted
9 by an agency of the Executive Department; (2) the Chief to prepare an annual
10 report that contains certain information relating to federal assistance programs that
11 are used by or available to agencies of the Executive Department; (3) the Fiscal
12 Analysis Division to prepare a report as to the advisability of using an available
13 federal assistance program or discontinuing the use of an existing federal assistance



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14 program; and (4) the Chief to submit annually both reports to the Governor and the
15 Legislature.

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

1 **Section 1.** NRS 353.245 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2 353.245 *1.* In addition to the requirements of NRS 353.335,
3 every department, institution and agency of the Executive
4 Department of the State Government, when making requests for
5 budgets to be submitted to the Federal Government for ~~{money;~~
6 ~~equipment, material or services,}~~ *federal assistance*, shall file the
7 request or budget with the office of the Chief and with the Fiscal
8 Analysis Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau before
9 submitting it to the proper federal authority. When the federal
10 authority has approved the request or budget, in whole or in part, the
11 department, institution or agency of the State Government shall
12 resubmit it to the Chief and to the Fiscal Analysis Division of the
13 Legislative Counsel Bureau for recording before any allotment or
14 encumbrance of the federal ~~{money}~~ *assistance, as applicable*, is
15 made.

16 *2. The Chief shall maintain a database of each request and*
17 *budget filed with or resubmitted to the office of the Chief pursuant*
18 *to subsection 1.*

19 *3. The Chief shall prepare a report for each fiscal year that:*

20 *(a) Identifies the total amount of federal assistance received by*
21 *each department, institution and agency of the Executive*
22 *Department of the State Government for the fiscal year.*

23 *(b) Identifies the total amount of federal assistance which each*
24 *department, institution and agency of the Executive Department of*
25 *the State Government may otherwise be qualified to receive for the*
26 *fiscal year under any federal assistance program.*

27 *(c) Evaluates the adequacy of existing federal assistance*
28 *programs used by a department, institution and agency of the*
29 *Executive Department of the State Government to qualify for and*
30 *receive federal assistance.*

31 *(d) Identifies any federal assistance programs that may be*
32 *available to but are not used by a department, institution or agency*
33 *of the Executive Department of the State Government for the*
34 *purposes of qualifying for and receiving any federal assistance.*

35 *(e) Includes recommendations of any actions which are*
36 *necessary to use the federal assistance programs identified in*
37 *paragraph (d) or to improve the use of existing federal assistance*
38 *programs used by a department, institution or agency of the*



Executive Department of the State Government to qualify for and receive federal assistance.

(f) Includes the advisory report prepared by the Fiscal Analysis Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau pursuant to subsection 4.

4. The Fiscal Analysis Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau shall prepare a report as to the advisability of using a federal assistance program identified pursuant to paragraph (d) of subsection 3 or discontinuing the use of an existing federal assistance program under which a department, institution or agency of the Executive Department of the State Government seeks qualification to receive federal assistance.

5. The Chief shall, on or before October 1 of each year, submit the report prepared pursuant to subsection 3 for the immediately preceding fiscal year to:

(a) The Governor; and

(b) The Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to:

(1) The Legislative Commission if the report is prepared in an odd-numbered year; or

(2) The next regular session of the Legislature if the report is prepared in an even-numbered year.

6. As used in this section, "federal assistance" means money, equipment, material or services that may be available to a department, institution or agency of the Executive Department of the State Government from any agency or authority of the Federal Government pursuant to a federal program.

Sec. 2. The provisions of subsection 1 of NRS 218D.380 do not apply to any provision of this act which adds or revises a requirement to submit a report to the Legislature.

Sec. 3. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2015.

