

State Agency Responses
S.B. 70 / BDR 19 - 155

State Agency: Business and Industry Approved by: Lisa Figueroa, ASO IV Comment: The agency has reviewed the bill and determined that there is no fiscal impact.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Colorado River Commission of Nevada Approved by: Douglas Beatty, Admin. Services Officer Comment: There are no significant costs associated with the proposed changes.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Commission on Peace Officers' Standards in Training Approved by: T. Bunting, Deputy Director Comment: The agency has reviewed the bill and determined that there is no fiscal impact.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Commission on Postsecondary Education Approved by: Kelly D Wuest, Administrator Comment: The agency has reviewed BDR 19-155, this will not have any fiscal impact on the operations of the Commission on Postsecondary Education.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Department of Administration Approved by: Evan Dale, Administrator Comment: The agency has reviewed the bill and determined that there is no fiscal impact				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation Approved by: Kristine Nelson, Asst. to Director Comment: The agency has reviewed the bill and determined that there is no fiscal impact.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Department of Public Safety Approved by: Curtis Palmer, Admin. Services Officer III Comment: BDR 19 - 155 Revises provisions governing meetings of public bodies. As the bill is written the Department of Public Safety has determined that there is no fiscal impact.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Department of Taxation Approved by: Deonne Contine, Executive Director Comment: The agency has reviewed the bill and determined that there is no fiscal impact				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Division of Minerals Approved by: Richard Perry, Administrator Comment: The agency has reviewed the bill and determined there is no fiscal impact.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Gaming Control Board Approved by: Buffy Brown, Sr. Research Specialist Comment: This bill will not have a fiscal impact on the State Gaming Control Board.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Lieutenant Governor Approved by: Ryan Cherry, Chief of Staff Comment: This bill has been reviewed and determined to have no fiscal impact on the office.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: **Nevada Commission on Ethics**

Approved by: /s/ Yvonne M. Nevarez-Goodson, Executive Director

Comment: S.B. 70 (BDR 19-155) amends various provisions related to Public Records and the Open Meeting Law. The majority of provisions clarify certain exemptions from compliance with the Open Meeting Law and Public records for certain provisions of the Ethics in Government Law (NRS 281A). Section 4 of the bill would require public bodies, including the Nevada Commission on Ethics, to submit written certifications with the Attorney General that the Commission has complied with the minimum public notice requirements of the Open Meeting Law for each public meeting of the Commission. For each monthly Commission meeting, Commission staff prepares a meeting agenda and posts a copy of the meeting and otherwise notifies certain persons not later than 9:00 a.m. of the third working day before the meeting. S.B. 70 does not clarify how the written certification must be submitted. Whether there is an electronic submission or mailing, staff time to prepare the certification acknowledging compliance will be nominal and create no fiscal impact for the Commission. Mailing such a form would also be negligible expense for the Commission.

Section 5 of S.B. 70 would require all public bodies to approve the minutes of each meeting at the next meeting of the public body, unless good cause is shown otherwise. The Commission's policy already establishes the approval of its meeting minutes at the next regularly scheduled meeting. Staff time to prepare minutes would not increase or decrease with this new requirement. Therefore, this section creates no fiscal impact for the Commission.

No other provisions of the bill create a fiscal impact for the Commission.

Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: **Nevada Department of Agriculture**

Approved by: J. Dale Hansen, Fiscal Administrator

Comment: We have reviewed BDR 19-155 and have found there to be no fiscal impact on the Nevada Department of Agriculture.

Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: **Nevada Department of Corrections**

Approved by: Scott K. Sisco, Deputy Director

Comment: Senate Bill 70 proposes to amend NRS 241.016 which defines the quorum of a public body. The amendment would revise provisions to the Open Meeting Law and institute a complaint system to report lack of compliance with the law. The Nevada Department of Corrections administrative staff has reviewed this bill draft and concluded that passage of this law should have not impact.

Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Nevada Department of Education Approved by: Mindy Martini, Deputy, Business & Support Comment: This measure will not create a fiscal impact to the Department. The form that would be implemented by the Office of the Attorney General will not add a cost to the Department in operations or staff.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Nevada Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs Approved by: David C. Peterson, Operations and Finance Manager Comment: This BDR will not have a fiscal impact on the Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Nevada Department of Transportation Approved by: Sean Sever, Communications Director Comment: NDOT Deputy AGs have reviewed this BDR and have found nothing that would cause fiscal impact or programmatic changes warranting additional expenditure authority.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Nevada Department of Wildlife Approved by: Patrick Cates, Deputy Director Comment: The bill makes minor changes to the procedures surrounding open meetings and public notice. These changes can be incorporated with existing resources.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Nevada Governor's Office of Economic Development Approved by: Steve Woodbury, ASO Comment: The agency has reviewed the bill and determined that the additional work can be absorbed, and there is no significant fiscal impact.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: **Nevada System of Higher Education**

Approved by: Heidi Sakelarios, Budget Officer

Comment: If enacted, it appears that this legislation would have no fiscal impact on the NSHE or its institutions contingent upon the interpretation of "good cause" included in Section 6.1.

If insufficient staff is not considered "good cause" for not approving the minutes of a meeting at the next meeting of the public body, then the Board of Regents Office would anticipate a fiscal impact. The fiscal impact would include the need for additional staff or contractual services to prepare the minutes within the proposed time frame.

This legislation would affect not only the Board of Regents, but all of its committees, including special and ad hoc committees appointed to address unanticipated matters, such as presidential searches, and all foundation meetings when the Board sits as the Board of Trustees for the foundations. Staff do not always have sufficient time to prepare minutes by the next meeting of the public body, which could occur the next day or within a few days.

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No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: **Office of the Attorney General**

Approved by: Martha Radu, Chief Financial Officer

Comment: The agency has reviewed the BDR and determined there is no fiscal impact.

Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: **Office of the Governor**

Approved by: Evan Dale, Administrator

Comment: The agency has reviewed the bill and determined that there is no fiscal impact.

Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: **Office of the Military**

Approved by: C Tyler, ASO II

Comment: The agency has reviewed the bill and determined that there is no fiscal impact.

Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Office of the State Controller Approved by: Deborah L Cook, Chief Deputy Controller Comment: The agency has reviewed this BDR and determined that there is no fiscal impact.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Office of the State Treasurer Approved by: Budd Milazzo, Deputy Treasurer Comment: The State Treasurer's Office has reviewed BDR 19-155 and determined there is no fiscal impact.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Office of Veterans' Services Approved by: Amy L. Garland, ASO2 Comment: The agency has reviewed the bill and determined there is no fiscal impact.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Public Employees' Benefits Program Approved by: James R. Wells, Executive Officer Comment: The agency has reviewed the bill and determined that there is no fiscal impact.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Public Employees' Retirement System Approved by: Tina Leiss, Executive Officer Comment: No Impact				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Public Utilities Commission of Nevada Approved by: Ann Scott, Administrative Analyst Comment: Fiscal Note BDR 19-155 will have no fiscal impact on the Public Utilities Commission.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Secretary of State Approved by: Wayne Thorley, Deputy Secretary of State Comment: The Office of the Secretary of State has reviewed this bill and determined there is no fiscal impact on the Office.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Silver State Health Insurance Exchange Approved by: Cari Eaton, Finance & Research Officer Comment: The Silver State Health Insurance Exchange has reviewed the bill and determined that there is no fiscal impact.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: State Public Charter School Authority Approved by: Patrick J. Gavin, Director Comment: The agency has reviewed the bill as proposed and determined there is no fiscal impact.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Department of Motor Vehicles, Management Services and Programs Division Approved by: Cyndie Munoz, ASO III Comment: Bill Draft Request (BDR) 19-155 proposes to make various changes to the Open Meeting Law and the meetings of public bodies. It provides for: clarification and revision of the definition of "quorum", and includes a definition of "working day" within statute; revises provisions relating to compliance with requirements for minimum public notice; prohibits a public body from designating a person to attend a meeting of the public body in place of another member without express legal authority; sets a timeframe for approval of minutes, and; allows for the filing of complaints concerning violations of the Open Meeting Law with the Attorney General's office and designates certain documents as confidential until investigations are concluded. This act would become effective upon passage and approval. The agency has reviewed this BDR and determined that there is no fiscal impact.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Department of Health and Human Services, Aging and Disability Services Division Approved by: Todd Myler, ASO 4 Comment: The agency has reviewed the bill and anticipates no fiscal impact.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Child and Family Services Approved by: Danette Kluever, Deputy Administrator Comment: The agency has reviewed the bill and anticipates no fiscal impact.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Health Care Financing and Policy Approved by: Leah Lamborn, ASO IV Comment: There would be minimal administrative time associated with documenting compliance with the minimum public notice requirement. The agency has reviewed the bill and determined there would be minimal fiscal impact and, therefore, could be absorbed using current resources.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Welfare and Supportive Services Approved by: Sue Smith, ASO IV Comment: The agency has reviewed the bill and determined there is no fiscal impact.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Director's Office Approved by: Kelly M. Williams, ASO IV Comment: DCNR has reviewed the bill and determined that there is no fiscal impact to the Department.				
Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: **State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Division of Environmental Protection**

Approved by: Adele Basham, Bureau Chief

Comment: The agency has reviewed the bill and determined that there is no fiscal impact.

Impact	FY 2014-15	FY 2015-16	FY 2016-17	Future Biennia
No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency: **State Board of Oriental Medicine**

Approved by: Kim Reese, Exec Director

Comment: The agency has reviewed the bill and determined there is no fiscal impact.”,

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No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

State Agency **Board of Hearing Aid Specialists**

Approved by: Kimberly Miller, Executive Director

Comment: The agency has reviewed the bill and determined there is no fiscal impact.”

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No Impact	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0