

SENATE BILL NO. 462—COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

(ON BEHALF OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE
FOR THE REVIEW AND OVERSIGHT OF THE
TAHOE REGIONAL PLANNING AGENCY AND
THE MARLETTE LAKE WATER SYSTEM)

MARCH 27, 2017

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Authorizes a board of county commissioners to create a committee to review general improvement districts. (BDR 20-496)

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 general improvement districts; authorizing a board of county commissioners to create a committee to review each general improvement district in the county; establishing certain requirements for such a committee; requiring a general improvement district to submit certain requested information to such a committee; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law governs the creation and administration of general improvement districts in this State. (Chapter 318 of NRS) **Section 2** of this bill authorizes a board of county commissioners to create a committee to review the existing general improvement districts in the county to determine if the districts should be continued, modified, consolidated, merged or dissolved. **Section 2** also provides that such a committee must consist of five members appointed by the board of county commissioners, including a member of the Senate who represents the county and a member of the Assembly who represents the county.

Section 3 of this bill requires such a committee to conduct public hearings on whether a general improvement district should be continued, modified, consolidated, merged or dissolved and places the burden of proof on the general improvement district to establish that there is a public need for its continued existence. **Section 3** also requires each committee to submit a report to the Legislative Commission each year regarding the activities and findings of the



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15 committee. **Section 4** of this bill sets forth certain information that each general
16 improvement district under review by a committee may be required to provide to
17 the committee.

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

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 244 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2, 3 and 4 of this act.

3 **Sec. 2. 1.** *A board of county commissioners may create a*
4 *committee to review each existing general improvement district in*
5 *the county to determine if the district should be continued,*
6 *modified, consolidated, merged or dissolved.*

7 **2.** *A committee created pursuant to subsection 1 must consist*
8 *of five members appointed by the board of county commissioners,*
9 *which must include:*

10 **(a)** *A member of the Senate who represents the county, who*
11 *shall serve as the chair of the committee;*

12 **(b)** *A member of the Assembly who represents the county, who*
13 *shall serve as the vice chair of the committee; and*

14 **(c)** *Three other members chosen by the board of county*
15 *commissioners.*

16 **3.** *A member of the committee is not entitled to be*
17 *compensated or reimbursed for travel or other expenses relating to*
18 *any duties as a member of the committee.*

19 **4.** *The membership of any member of the committee who is a*
20 *Legislator and who is not a candidate for reelection or who is*
21 *defeated for reelection terminates on the day next after the general*
22 *election.*

23 **5.** *A vacancy on the committee must be filled in the same*
24 *manner as the original appointment.*

25 **Sec. 3. 1.** *A committee created pursuant to section 2 of this*
26 *act shall:*

27 **(a)** *Meet at the times and places specified by a call of the*
28 *Chair;*

29 **(b)** *Conduct public hearings for the purpose of reviewing and*
30 *obtaining comments on the need for the continuance,*
31 *modification, consolidation, merger or dissolution of one or more*
32 *general improvement districts in the county; and*

33 **(c)** *On or before July 1 of each year, submit a report to the*
34 *Legislative Commission concerning the activities and findings of*
35 *the committee during that year.*

36 **2.** *A general improvement district has the burden of proving*
37 *that there is a public need for its continued existence.*



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1 3. *If a general improvement district includes territory within*
2 *two or more counties, a committee created by the board of county*
3 *commissioners with the authority to supervise the district pursuant*
4 *to NRS 318.050 has the authority to review that general*
5 *improvement district pursuant to subsection 1.*

6 **Sec. 4.** *Each general improvement district subject to review*
7 *by a committee created pursuant to section 2 of this act shall*
8 *submit any information requested to the committee. The*
9 *information requested by the committee may include, without*
10 *limitation:*

11 1. *The name of the general improvement district;*

12 2. *The name of each member of the board of trustees of the*
13 *general improvement district;*

14 3. *The address of the Internet website established and*
15 *maintained by the general improvement district, if any;*

16 4. *A list of the staff of the general improvement district;*

17 5. *The governing structure of the general improvement*
18 *district, including, without limitation, information concerning the*
19 *method, terms, qualifications and conditions of appointment and*
20 *removal of the members of the board trustees;*

21 6. *The operating budget of the general improvement district;*

22 7. *A statement setting forth the incomes and expenses of the*
23 *general improvement district for at least 3 years immediately*
24 *preceding the date on which the district submits the information*
25 *required by this section;*

26 8. *The most recent audit conducted of the general*
27 *improvement district, if any;*

28 9. *The dates of the immediately preceding six meetings held*
29 *by the board of trustees of the general improvement district; and*

30 10. *Any other information the committee may require.*

31 **Sec. 5.** 1. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2017.

32 2. This act expires by limitation on June 30, 2021.

