## FISCAL NOTE

AGENCY'S ESTIMATES

Date Prepared: February 20, 2017

Agency Submitting: Nevada Department of Corrections

| Items of Revenue or<br>Expense, or Both | Fiscal Year<br>2016-17 | Fiscal Year<br>2017-18 | Fiscal Year<br>2018-19 | Effect on Future<br>Biennia |
|---|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|
|   |                        |                        |                        |                             |
| Total                                   | 0                      | 0                      | 0                      | 0                           |

## **Explanation**

(Use Additional Sheets of Attachments, if required)

The Nevada Department of Corrections (NDOC) has reviewed BDR 19-756 which proposes revisions to Nevada Revised Statute 240.085. Current language of the statute provides that it is unlawful for a notary public who is not an attorney licensed in the State of Nevada to advertise or provide any form of communication such as signs, stationary, or other forms of communication, regarding their services in non-English terms such as "notario publico" or "licensiado." BDR 19-726 proposes to increase the penalty from a fine up to \$2,000 to a category D felony when a notary public is found guilty in a criminal prosecution for failure to comply with restrictions imposed by the statute. NRS 240A.100 will also be amended to disqualify applications for notary public from individuals convicted of a D felony per revision of NRS 240.085.

The Governor's Recommended budget provides an average of \$18,719 in variable expenses per inmate for SFY18-19. The fiscal impact of this proposal would be this amount for each year of a new prison sentence. Staff has screened inmate records to search for offenders charged with offenses associated with violation of NRS 240.085 and attempted to gather quantitative figures from other sources. None were readily available. Based on current language of the proposed statute change, the NDOC is unable to forecast the increase, if any, in the number of offenders admitted to the NDOC at this time. As a result, the fiscal impact of this proposed law cannot be quantified at this time.

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| DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION'S COMMENTS The agency's response appears reasonable. | Date  | Thursday, February 16, 2017 |
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