

**EXECUTIVE AGENCY  
FISCAL NOTE**

AGENCY'S ESTIMATES

Date Prepared: January 29, 2017

Agency Submitting: Nevada Commission on Ethics

Items of Revenue or Expense, or Both	Fiscal Year 2016-17	Fiscal Year 2017-18	Fiscal Year 2018-19	Effect on Future Biennia
None (Expense)				
Total	0	0	0	0

Explanation

(Use Additional Sheets of Attachments, if required)

This bill is intended to streamline the case management and investigatory processes of the Nevada Ethics Commission on Ethics in third-party complaint matters. By eliminating investigatory panels, all third-party complaint cases will be presented directly to the Commission for evaluation of jurisdiction and direction to the Executive Director to conduct an investigation, thereby eliminating unnecessary investigations and Panel proceedings. The bill also seeks to provide resolution to third-party complaint matters through deferral orders and educational outreach which may defer lengthy and costly investigations and Commission proceedings to resolve cases. It is anticipated that these new measures will result in additional staff time to review cases and present meaningful recommendations to the Commission, but this time will be adequately absorbed by the staff time that would otherwise be undertaken to fully investigate cases and prepare for Investigatory Panels. Other substantive changes to the Ethics in Government Law set forth in NRS 281A are not expected to cause any fiscal impact on the agency.

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**DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION'S COMMENTS**

Date Monday, January 23, 2017

The agency's response appears reasonable.

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