

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND LABOR**

**Seventy-Ninth Session
May 29, 2017**

The Committee on Commerce and Labor was called to order by Chair Irene Bustamante Adams at 3:55 p.m. on Monday, May 29, 2017, in Room 4100 of the Legislative Building, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada. Copies of the minutes, including the Agenda ([Exhibit A](#)), the Attendance Roster ([Exhibit B](#)), and other substantive exhibits, are available and on file in the Research Library of the Legislative Counsel Bureau and on the Nevada Legislature's website at www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/79th2017.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Assemblywoman Irene Bustamante Adams, Chair
Assemblyman Nelson Araujo
Assemblyman Chris Brooks
Assemblyman Skip Daly
Assemblyman Ira Hansen
Assemblywoman Sandra Jauregui
Assemblyman Al Kramer
Assemblyman Jim Marchant
Assemblywoman Dina Neal
Assemblyman James Ohrenschall
Assemblywoman Jill Tolles

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Assemblyman Paul Anderson (excused)
Assemblywoman Maggie Carlton, Vice Chair (excused)
Assemblyman Jason Frierson (excused)

GUEST LEGISLATORS PRESENT:

None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kelly Richard, Committee Policy Analyst
Wil Keane, Committee Counsel
Earlene Miller, Committee Secretary
Olivia Lloyd, Committee Assistant



OTHERS PRESENT:

None

Chair Bustamante Adams:

[The roll was called.] We have one bill on work session today.

Senate Bill 69 (1st Reprint): Revises provisions governing state agencies, boards and commissions that regulate occupations and professions. (BDR 54-229)

Kelly Richard, Committee Policy Analyst:

Senate Bill 69 (1st Reprint) was heard in this Committee on May 26, 2017, and was requested by the Office of the Governor and sponsored by the Senate Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy ([Exhibit C](#)). The bill provides that if the Governor determines there are critical unmet needs with regard to the number of persons in this state who are engaged in an occupation or profession regulated by a regulatory body, he or she may issue an executive order directing a regulatory body to expedite action on pending applications for licensure. A regulatory body that is not otherwise authorized or required by a specific statute to issue a license to engage in an occupation or profession must adopt regulations providing for the issuance of a license by endorsement.

The measure also establishes term limits for members of regulatory bodies. A regulatory body is prohibited from entering into a contingent fee contract with any attorney or law firm. Further, the measure requires a regulatory body to exercise its authority over the occupation or profession for the expansion of economic opportunity, promotion of competition, and encouragement of innovation. An applicant for, or holder of, a license to practice medicine is not required to submit certain information to the Board of Medical Examiners concerning anonymous complaints or complaints that did not result in disciplinary action.

Finally, each regulatory body must submit a quarterly report to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau that includes information concerning the number of applications rejected by, and the reasons for denial by, the regulatory body during the immediately preceding calendar quarter.

Based on discussions on this bill that occurred during the hearing, the Chair has proposed to amend the bill as follows:

- Delete sections 2, 6, 7.3, and 7.6.
- Revise all references to "person" in section 3 to "natural person;" so that the section would not apply to firms who have licenses in other states.

- Extend the timelines in subsection 4 of section 3. A regulatory body would have 21 days to provide written notice concerning additional information needed to complete an application. A regulatory body would also have 60 days to issue a license by endorsement, or 15 days following the receipt of a fingerprint report, or filing of a bond, if required, whichever is later.
- Add a new section to amend section 20 of Senate Bill 516, which this Committee recently processed. This would import subsection 2 of section 2 of S.B. 69 (R1), which relates to the collection of statistical data. That new section in S.B. 516 would require that the Office of Workforce Innovation collect and report that information.

Chair Bustamante Adams:

Are there any questions on the bill? Seeing none, I will entertain a motion.

ASSEMBLYMAN ARAUJO MOVED TO AMEND AND DO PASS
SENATE BILL 69 (1ST REPRINT).

ASSEMBLYWOMAN TOLLES SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION PASSED. (ASSEMBLYMEN PAUL ANDERSON,
CARLTON, AND FRIERSON WERE ABSENT FOR THE VOTE.)

I will assign the floor statement to Assemblyman Araujo. Is there anyone here for public comment? Seeing no one, the meeting is adjourned [at 4:00 p.m.].

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Earlene Miller
Committee Secretary

APPROVED BY:

Assemblywoman Irene Bustamante Adams, Chair

DATE: _____

EXHIBITS

[Exhibit A](#) is the Agenda.

[Exhibit B](#) is the Attendance Roster.

[Exhibit C](#) is a Work Session Document for Senate Bill 69 (1st Reprint), dated May 29, 2017, presented by Kelly Richard, Committee Policy Analyst, Research Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau.