SENATE BILL NO. 15—COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

(ON BEHALF OF THE DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY)

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Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Provides for the establishment of incident management assistance teams. (BDR 36-351)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact. Effect on the State: Yes.

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to emergency management; authorizing the Governor or the Governor's duly designated representative to establish one or more incident management assistance teams; authorizing certain volunteers to serve as members of such teams; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law authorizes the Governor or the Governor's duly designated representative to create and establish mobile support units to reinforce organizations for emergency management in areas stricken by a disaster or emergency. (NRS 414.080) Sections 1-3 of this bill change the name of these mobile support units to incident management assistance teams. Section 2 of this bill authorizes volunteers trained in responding to an emergency or disaster from an organization that provides such volunteers, including AmeriCorps, Nevada Volunteers and other similar organizations, to serve as members of an incident management assistance team.

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

Section 1. NRS 414.037 is hereby amended to read as follows: 414.037 ["Mobile support unit"] "Incident management assistance team" means an organization for emergency management created in accordance with the provisions of this





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chapter by state or local authority to be dispatched by the Governor to supplement local organizations for emergency management in a stricken area.

Sec. 2. NRS 414.080 is hereby amended to read as follows:

414.080 1. The Governor or the Governor's duly designated representative may create and establish such number of [mobile support units] incident management assistance teams as may be necessary to reinforce organizations for emergency management in stricken areas and with due consideration of the plans of the Federal Government and of other states. The Governor may appoint a [commander] chief for each such [unit] team who has primary responsibility for the organization, administration and operation of the [unit. Mobile support units] team. Incident management assistance teams may be called to duty upon orders of the Governor and shall perform their functions in any part of the State, or, upon the conditions specified in this section, in other states.

- 2. When creating and establishing an incident management assistance team, the Governor or the Governor's duly designated representative may include as members of such a team volunteers who are trained in responding to an emergency or disaster from an organization that provides such volunteers, including, without limitation, AmeriCorps, Nevada Volunteers and any other similar organization.
- 3. Personnel of [mobile support units] incident management assistance teams, while on duty, whether within or without the State:
- (a) If they are employees of the State, have the powers, duties, rights, privileges and immunities and receive the compensation incidental to their employment.
- (b) If they are employees of a political subdivision of the State, and whether serving within or without that political subdivision, have the powers, duties, rights, privileges and immunities and receive the compensation incidental to their employment.
- (c) If they are not employees of the State or a political subdivision thereof, are entitled to compensation by the State at \$10 per day and to the same rights and immunities as are provided by law for the employees of the State. All personnel of [mobile support units,] incident management assistance teams, while on duty, are subject to the operational control of the authority in charge of activities for emergency management in the area in which they are serving, and must be reimbursed for all actual and necessary travel and subsistence expenses.
- [3.] 4. The State may reimburse a political subdivision for the compensation paid and actual and necessary travel, subsistence and maintenance expenses of employees of such political subdivision





while serving as members of [a mobile support unit,] an incident management assistance team, for all payments for death, disability or injury of such employees incurred in the course of duty, and for all losses of or damage to supplies and equipment of the political subdivision resulting from the operation of such [mobile support unit.] incident management assistance team.

Sec. 3. NRS 223.240 is hereby amended to read as follows:

223.240 1. The Governor may, on behalf of this State, enter into mutual or reciprocal aid agreements or compacts with other states or the Federal Government, either on a statewide or political subdivision basis. Prior to committing the personnel, equipment or facilities of any political subdivision of this State, the Governor shall consult with and obtain the approval of the law enforcement executive and the chief executive of each of the political subdivisions affected.

- 2. Such agreements shall be limited to furnishing or exchange of:
 - (a) Police services:

- (b) Personnel necessary to provide or conduct such services; and
- (c) Such other supplies, equipment, facilities, personnel and services as are needed to support such services.
- 3. The agreements may relate to the terms and conditions of mutual or reciprocal aid and to reimbursement of costs and expenses for equipment, supplies, personnel and similar items for [mobile support units] incident management assistance teams and police units.
- 4. Any such agreement may not extend beyond the elected term of the Governor of this State who entered into such agreement.
 - **Sec. 4.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2019.





