SENATE BILL NO. 268–SENATORS SPEARMAN, PARKS AND BROOKS

MARCH 12, 2019

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Revises provisions related to regulatory bodies. (BDR 54-1011)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

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 regulatory bodies; requiring any person authorized to make appointments to a board or commission that regulates certain occupations or professions to give consideration as to whether the members of the board or commission reflect the diversity of the State; requiring the expiration of the term of any member of the Nevada Funeral and Cemetery Services Board serving on July 1, 2019; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law provides for the regulation of certain occupations and professions by certain agencies, boards and commissions for the protection and benefit of the public. (NRS 622.080) **Section 1** of this bill requires any person authorized to appoint a member of a board or commission that regulates certain occupations or professions to give consideration as to whether the members of the board or commission reflect the diversity of this State and are representative of all groups, including, without limitation, those based on race, ethnicity, religion, age, gender, gender identity or expression and sexual orientation.

Existing law creates and sets forth the membership of the Nevada Funeral and Cemetery Services Board. The Board consists of seven members as follows: (1) two members who are funeral directors or embalmers; (2) one member who operates a cemetery; (3) one member who operates a crematory or direct cremation facility; and (4) three members who represent the general public. (NRS 642.020) **Section 2** of this bill provides that the term of any current member of the Board expires on July 1, 2019, and requires the appointment of new members in accordance with **section 1**.





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

Section 1. Chapter 622 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

- 1. When appointing a member to a board or commission that has the authority to regulate an occupation or profession pursuant to this title, the appointing authority shall give consideration as to whether the members appointed to the board or commission reflect the diversity of this State and are representative of all groups, including, without limitation, those based on race, ethnicity, religion, age, gender, gender identity or expression and sexual orientation.
- 2. As used in this section, "gender identity or expression" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 193.0148.
- **Sec. 2.** 1. The term of any member of the Nevada Funeral and Cemetery Services Board appointed pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 642.020 serving on July 1, 2019, expires on that date.
- 2. As soon as practicable on or after July 1, 2019, the Governor shall appoint to the Nevada Funeral and Cemetery Services Board the members required to be appointed pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 642.020 in accordance with the considerations set forth in section 1 of this act.
- **Sec. 3.** Notwithstanding the provisions of section 1 of this act and except as otherwise provided in section 2 of this act, any person who on July 1, 2019, is a member of a board or commission which has the authority to regulate an occupation or profession pursuant to title 54 of NRS may continue to serve in that capacity until a successor is appointed.
 - **Sec. 4.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2019.





