

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS**

**Eightieth Session
April 12, 2019**

The Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections was called to order by Chair Sandra Jauregui at 12:19 p.m. on Friday, April 12, 2019, in Room 3142 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/80th2019.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Assemblywoman Sandra Jauregui, Chair
Assemblyman Ozzie Fumo, Vice Chair
Assemblyman Skip Daly
Assemblyman Glen Leavitt
Assemblyman William McCurdy II
Assemblywoman Brittney Miller
Assemblywoman Daniele Monroe-Moreno
Assemblyman Tom Roberts
Assemblywoman Selena Torres

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Assemblyman John Hambrick (excused)

GUEST LEGISLATORS PRESENT:

Assemblywoman Ellen B. Spiegel, Assembly District No. 20

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Carol Stonefield, Committee Policy Analyst
Kevin Powers, Committee Counsel
Catherine Bodenstein, Committee Secretary
Melissa Loomis, Committee Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT:

None



Chair Jauregui:

[Roll was called.] Welcome to the Assembly Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. We are going to roll right into our agenda. We have two items on today's agenda. We are going to start with the work session on Assembly Bill 282.

Assembly Bill 282: Revises provisions relating to municipal elections. (BDR 24-939)

Carol Stonefield, Committee Policy Analyst:

[Ms. Stonefield referred to the work session document ([Exhibit C](#)).] Assembly Bill 282 was heard in this Committee on March 26, 2019. It was presented by Assemblywoman Spiegel. The bill relates to ward voting in city elections. It proposes to require all cities incorporated pursuant to general laws and all cities with charters to be divided into wards. The sponsor has presented a conceptual amendment, Madam Chair, and I believe she is here to discuss it.

Chair Jauregui:

Thank you, Ms. Stonefield. Assemblywoman Spiegel, would you be so kind as to walk the Committee through your conceptual amendment?

Assemblywoman Ellen B. Spiegel, Assembly District No. 20:

The conceptual amendment has a few parts to it. The first part is to add the names of two Senators as cosponsors: Senator Keith F. Pickard, Senate District No. 20; and Senator Joyce Woodhouse, Senate District No. 5.

The second provision, and I would like to clarify two typographical errors that were in the conceptual amendment to read: Require the City of Henderson to place on the 2021 municipal election ballot a question for the voters of the City of Henderson to decide whether or not to amend the Charter of the City of Henderson to require that each council member of the city be voted upon only by the registered voters of the ward that each council member represents and where the council member must be a qualified elector. If approved by a majority of those Henderson voters who vote on this question on the 2021 municipal election ballot, Henderson would be required to immediately transition to ward-only voting in City Council races effective with its next election, regardless of whether it is a primary, general, or special election.

The third thing would be to remove everything else from the bill.

Chair Jauregui:

Does the Committee have any questions? Seeing none, I will entertain a motion to amend and do pass Assembly Bill 282.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN TORRES MOVED TO AMEND AND DO PASS
ASSEMBLY BILL 282.

ASSEMBLYMAN ROBERTS SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION PASSED. (ASSEMBLYMAN HAMBRICK WAS ABSENT FOR THE VOTE.)

I will assign the floor statement to Assemblywoman Spiegel.

The next item on the agenda is Assembly Joint Resolution 9.

Assembly Joint Resolution 9: Proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution to revise provisions governing the selection of justices and judges. (BDR C-949)

We will not be taking action on this resolution. I will simply entertain a motion to amend and refer without recommendation.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN MONROE-MORENO MADE A MOTION TO AMEND AND REFER WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 9.

ASSEMBLYMAN McCURDY SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION PASSED. (ASSEMBLYMAN HAMBRICK WAS ABSENT FOR THE VOTE.)

I will assign that floor statement to Assemblyman McCurdy.

[A work session document for Assembly Joint Resolution 9 was submitted for the record ([Exhibit D](#)).]

The next item on the agenda is public comment. Is there anyone wishing to give public comment? Seeing no one, I will see you next Thursday at 4 p.m. The meeting is adjourned [at 12:24 p.m.].

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Catherine Bodenstein
Committee Secretary

APPROVED BY:

Assemblywoman Sandra Jauregui, Chair

DATE: _____

EXHIBITS

[Exhibit A](#) is the Agenda.

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

[Exhibit C](#) is the Work Session Document for Assembly Bill 282, dated April 12, 2019, presented by Carol Stonefield, Committee Policy Analyst, Research Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau.

[Exhibit D](#) is the Work Session Document for Assembly Joint Resolution 9, dated April 12, 2019, submitted by Research Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau.