

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 26—COMMITTEE
ON GROWTH AND INFRASTRUCTURE

(ON BEHALF OF THE DIVISION OF WELFARE AND
SUPPORTIVE SERVICES OF THE DEPARTMENT
OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES)

PREFILED NOVEMBER 18, 2020

Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing programs of energy assistance. (BDR 58-298)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in ***bolded italics*** is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to energy assistance; revising provisions relating to the Fund for Energy Assistance and Conservation; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 Existing law requires the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services of the
2 Department of Health and Human Services to report annually to the Senate
3 Standing Committee on Finance and the Assembly Standing Committee on Ways
4 and Means or the Interim Finance Committee, as applicable, the amount of money
5 in the Fund for Energy Assistance and Conservation that has been allocated to and
6 received by the Division during all preceding fiscal years and remains unspent and
7 unencumbered as of December 31 of the current fiscal year. Based upon the report,
8 the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services may be required to distribute as
9 much as 30 percent of that unspent and unencumbered money to the Housing
10 Division of the Department of Business and Industry, to be used for programs of
11 energy conservation, weatherization and energy efficiency. (NRS 702.270,
12 702.275) This bill clarifies that the report must specify the amount of money in the
13 Fund that has been allocated to and received by the Division of Welfare and
14 Supportive Services on or before June 30 of all preceding fiscal years and remains
15 unspent and unencumbered as of December 31 of the current fiscal year. This bill
16 also clarifies that the Division may be required to distribute to the Housing Division
17 not more than 30 percent of the money in the Fund that has been allocated to and
18 received by the Division on or before June 30 of all preceding fiscal years and
19 remains unspent and unencumbered.



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

Section 1. NRS 702.275 is hereby amended to read as follows:

702.275 1. On or before January 5 of each year, the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services shall submit a report to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the Senate Standing Committee on Finance and the Assembly Standing Committee on Ways and Means during a regular or special session of the Legislature, or the Interim Finance Committee when the Legislature is not in session, which specifies the amount of all money in the Fund which was allocated to and received by the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services ~~during~~ **on or before June 30 of** all preceding fiscal years pursuant to NRS 702.260 and which remains unspent and unencumbered as of December 31 of the current fiscal year.

2. Based upon the report submitted pursuant to subsection 1 and any other information available, the Senate Standing Committee on Finance or the Assembly Standing Committee on Ways and Means during a regular or special session of the Legislature, or the Interim Finance Committee when the Legislature is not in session, may require the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services to distribute not more than 30 percent of all the money in the Fund which was allocated to and received by the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services ~~during~~ **on or before June 30 of** all preceding fiscal years pursuant to NRS 702.260 and which remains unspent and unencumbered as of December 31 of the current fiscal year to the Housing Division for the programs authorized by NRS 702.270. The Housing Division may use not more than 6 percent of the money distributed pursuant to this section for its administrative expenses.

Sec. 2. The provisions of subsection 1 of NRS 218D.380 do not apply to any provision of this act which adds or revises a requirement to submit a report to the Legislature.

Sec. 3. This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

