
ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 413—COMMITTEE
ON GROWTH AND INFRASTRUCTURE

(ON BEHALF OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY)

MARCH 25, 2021

Referred to Committee on Growth and Infrastructure

SUMMARY—Requires the Department of Transportation to establish an Advisory Working Group to Study Certain Issues Related to Transportation during the 2021-2022 interim. (BDR S-458)

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

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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 transportation; requiring the Department of Transportation to establish an Advisory Working Group to Study Certain Issues Related to Transportation during the 2021-2022 interim; prescribing the duties of the Advisory Working Group; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 This bill requires the Department of Transportation to establish an Advisory
2 Working Group to Study Certain Issues Related to Transportation during the 2021-
3 2022 interim. This bill also: (1) prescribes the membership and duties of the
4 Advisory Working Group; (2) provides for the compensation of the legislative
5 members of the Advisory Working Group and the travel expenses and per diem
6 allowance for all members of the Advisory Working Group; and (3) requires the
7 Department of Transportation to submit a written report describing the activities,
8 findings, conclusions and recommendations of the Advisory Working Group for
9 transmittal to the 82nd Session of the Legislature.



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

Section 1. 1. The Department of Transportation shall establish an Advisory Working Group to Study Certain Issues Related to Transportation during the 2021-2022 interim. Except for the members who are Legislators, the Department of Transportation shall appoint the members of the Advisory Working Group, which consists of:

(a) Representatives of agencies from metropolitan planning organizations;

(b) Representatives of environmental agencies and organizations;

(c) Representatives of clean energy;

(d) Experts in taxation policy;

(e) Representatives of local, county, tribal, state and federal agencies with expertise in transportation and clean energy;

(f) The Chairs of the Senate and Assembly Standing Committees on Growth and Infrastructure during the 81st Legislative Session;

(g) Representatives of labor organizations; and

(h) Other interested persons and entities.

2. The Advisory Working Group shall study during the 2021-2022 interim:

(a) The needs of all users of different modes of transportation, including bicyclists, pedestrians, drivers of motor vehicles and public transit users;

(b) Social and user transportation equity;

(c) The reduction of greenhouse gas emissions;

(d) The sustainability of the State Highway Fund including, without limitation, an analysis of the Natural Resources Defense Council funding model presented to the Legislative Committee on Energy on August 24, 2020, and Utah's Road Usage Charge Program; and

(e) The role of land use and smart growth strategies in reducing transportation emissions and improving system efficiency and equity.

3. In addition to the duties set forth in subsection 2, the Advisory Working Group shall collect and monitor data related to and develop preliminary plans for sustainable transportation funding in this State.

4. The Advisory Working Group shall, at its first meeting, elect a Chair and Vice Chair from among its members.

5. A majority of the members of the Advisory Working Group constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business, and a majority



1 of those members present at any meeting is sufficient for any
2 official action taken by the Advisory Working Group.

3 6. The Department of Transportation shall provide the
4 Advisory Working Group with such administrative support as is
5 necessary to assist the Advisory Working Group in carrying out its
6 duties pursuant to this section.

7 7. For each day or portion of a day during which a member of
8 the Advisory Working Group who is a Legislator attends a meeting
9 of the Advisory Working Group or is otherwise engaged in the
10 business of the Advisory Working Group, the Legislator is entitled
11 to receive the:

12 (a) Salary provided for a majority of the members of the
13 Legislature during the first 60 days of the preceding regular session;

14 (b) Per diem allowance provided for state officers and
15 employees generally; and

16 (c) Travel expenses provided pursuant to NRS 218A.655.

17 ➤ The compensation, per diem allowances and travel expenses must
18 be paid from the Legislative Fund.

19 8. The members of the Advisory Working Group who are not
20 Legislators serve without salary but are entitled to receive the per
21 diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and
22 employees generally.

23 9. A member of the Advisory Working Group who is an officer
24 or employee of this State or a political subdivision thereof must be
25 relieved from his or her duties without loss of his or her regular
26 compensation so that the member may prepare for and attend
27 meetings of the Advisory Working Group and perform any work
28 necessary to carry out the duties of the Advisory Working Group in
29 the most timely manner practicable. A state agency or political
30 subdivision of this State shall not require an officer or employee
31 who is a member of Advisory Working Group to:

32 (a) Make up the time the member is absent from work to carry
33 out his or her duties as a member of the Advisory Working Group;
34 or

35 (b) Take annual leave or compensatory time for the absence.

36 10. The Department of Transportation shall, on or before
37 December 31, 2022, prepare and submit a written report describing
38 the activities, findings, conclusions and recommendations of the
39 Advisory Working Group to the Director of the Legislative Counsel
40 Bureau for transmittal to the 82nd Session of the Legislature.

41 **Sec. 2.** 1. This section becomes effective upon passage and
42 approval.

43 2. Section 1 of this act becomes effective:

44 (a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of appointing
45 members to the Advisory Working Group created by section 1 of



- 1 this act and performing any other preparatory administrative tasks
- 2 that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and
- 3 (b) On July 1, 2021, for all other purposes.

