## **NEVADA LEGISLATURE**

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## THE EIGHTY-EIGHTH DAY

CARSON CITY (Thursday), April 29, 2021

Assembly called to order at 11:45 a.m.

Mr. Speaker presiding.

Roll called.

All present.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Pastor Chad Adamik.

We, the people of Nevada, call You by many Names; Eternal God, Creator, Sustainer, Potter, Wellspring of Hope. Out of this diversity comes our joint affirmation that there is one steadfast love present with us this day.

We the people who call this great state our home give thanks to You, God of our understanding. We who gather today join with the people on whose behalf these leaders hold offices of trust. We pray for rivers of justice and streams of well-being to characterize their work, move them to lead justly, and govern well. May they make choices that transcend fear and division. Grant them vision and courage to come together for the sake of a new future, to work for justice, to build bridges, and strive for one state and one vision.

We offer this prayer in the grounding of Your purpose, in the confidence of Your great love, and held together by the hope that never dies.

AMEN.

Pledge of allegiance to the Flag.

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that further reading of the Journal be dispensed with and the Speaker and Chief Clerk be authorized to make the necessary corrections and additions.

Motion carried.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON. D.C.

THE HONORABLE NICOLE CANNIZZARO, *Majority Leader of the Nevada Senate* THE HONORABLE JASON FRIERSON, *Speaker of the Nevada Assembly* 401 South Carson Street Carson City, NV 89701

April 28, 2021

DEAR MAJORITY LEADER CANNIZZARO AND SPEAKER FRIERSON:

I respectfully request the opportunity to address the distinguished members of the Nevada Legislature on Monday, May 3, 2021. As the Representative for Nevada's First Congressional District, I look forward to sharing both information from the halls of Congress, as well as information regarding the communities that affect Nevada's future. I am honored and grateful for this opportunity.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely, DINA TITUS Member of Congress

## INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND REFERENCE

By the Committee on Ways and Means:

Assembly Bill No. 464—AN ACT making appropriations to restore the balances in the Stale Claims Account, the Emergency Account, the Reserve for Statutory Contingency Account and the Contingency Account; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblywoman Carlton moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Ways and Means:

Assembly Bill No. 465—AN ACT making an appropriation to the Division of Water Resources of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for the repair and maintenance of the South Fork Dam; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblywoman Carlton moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Ways and Means:

Assembly Bill No. 466—AN ACT making appropriations to the Department of Corrections for hepatitis C treatments for offenders and new and replacement medical and dental equipment; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblywoman Carlton moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Ways and Means:

Assembly Bill No. 467—AN ACT making appropriations to the Department of Transportation for the replacement of the Nevada Shared Radio System; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblywoman Carlton moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Ways and Means:

Assembly Bill No. 468—AN ACT making appropriations to various divisions of the Department of Motor Vehicles for the replacement of computer hardware and software and certain other equipment; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblywoman Carlton moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Ways and Means:

Assembly Bill No. 469—AN ACT making a supplemental appropriation to the Office of the Secretary of State for a projected shortfall related to credit card processing fees; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblywoman Carlton moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Ways and Means:

Assembly Bill No. 470—AN ACT making a supplemental appropriation to the Real Estate Division of the Department of Business and Industry for a projected shortfall relating to time share filing fees; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblywoman Carlton moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Ways and Means:

Assembly Bill No. 471—AN ACT relating to health care; requiring applicants for the issuance or renewal of certain registrations and the renewal of certain licenses to pay a fee to support the system for the reporting of information on cancer and other neoplasms; requiring certain facilities and providers of health care to report information to the system; revising provisions relating to the reporting of information to the system; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblywoman Carlton moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion carried

By the Committee on Ways and Means:

Assembly Bill No. 472—AN ACT relating to public safety; authorizing the use of testing devices to determine the presence of a controlled substance or prohibited substance in the oral fluid of a person in certain circumstances; renaming the Committee on Testing for Intoxication as the Committee on Testing for Intoxication and Drug Impairment; requiring the Committee to certify testing devices used to determine the presence

of a controlled substance or prohibited substance in the oral fluid of a person; requiring the Committee to adopt regulations relating to such devices; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblywoman Carlton moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Ways and Means:

Assembly Bill No. 473—AN ACT making a supplemental appropriation to the Department of Corrections for an unanticipated shortfall related to inmate-driven and food costs; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblywoman Carlton moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion carried.

By the Committee on Ways and Means:

Assembly Bill No. 474—AN ACT making an appropriation to and authorizing the expenditure of money by the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services of the Department of Health and Human Services for the continuation of the technology modernization project for the child support enforcement program; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assemblywoman Carlton moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion carried.

#### GENERAL FILE AND THIRD READING

Assembly Bill No. 167.

Bill read third time.

Remarks by Assemblyman Leavitt.

ASSEMBLYMAN LEAVITT:

Assembly Bill 167, as amended, requires that information for the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline be included on any new or reprinted student identification card issued by the board of trustees of a school district; the governing body of a charter school; and a community college, state college, or university within the Nevada System of Higher Education. The bill also provides that data may be shared between the Lifeline and the SafeVoice Program if sharing complies with the Lifeline's current or future policies. This bill is effective on July 1, 2021.

Roll call on Assembly Bill No. 167

YEAS-41.

NAYS-Ellison.

Assembly Bill No. 167 having received a constitutional majority, Mr. Speaker declared it passed, as amended.

Bill ordered transmitted to the Senate.

Assembly Bill No. 194.

Bill read third time.

Remarks by Assemblywoman Torres.

#### ASSEMBLYWOMAN TORRES:

Assembly Bill 194, as amended, requires the board of trustees of each school district and the governing body of each charter school or university school for profoundly gifted pupils to adopt a policy for appealing the suspension or expulsion of a pupil. The bill also provides that a pupil who is suspended or expelled, or who is being considered for suspension or expulsion, is entitled to be educated in the least restrictive environment possible.

Roll call on Assembly Bill No. 194

YEAS-36.

NAYS—Black, Dickman, Ellison, Matthews, O'Neill, Wheeler—6.

Assembly Bill No. 194 having received a constitutional majority, Mr. Speaker declared it passed, as amended.

Bill ordered transmitted to the Senate.

Assembly Bill No. 231.

Bill read third time.

Remarks by Assemblywomen Cohen and Krasner.

#### ASSEMBLYWOMAN COHEN:

Assembly Bill 231 requires the State Board of Education to create a subcommittee to review and make recommendations on the provision of instruction about the Holocaust and other genocides—including but not limited to the Armenian, Cambodian, Darfur, Guatemalan, and Rwandan genocides—in social studies and language arts courses. The results of the study are to be provided to the State Board of Education and the Legislative Committee on Education, who must consider the submitted results and submit a written report each odd-numbered year for transmittal to the Legislature.

#### ASSEMBLYWOMAN KRASNER:

I stand today in support of Assembly Bill 231 relating to education on the Holocaust and other genocides. I just want to say how much I appreciate the bipartisan hard work and effort of my colleague from Assembly District 29. I urge your support on AB 231.

Roll call on Assembly Bill No. 231

YEAS-42.

NAYS-None.

Assembly Bill No. 231 having received a constitutional majority, Mr. Speaker declared it passed, as amended.

Bill ordered transmitted to the Senate.

Assembly Bill No. 278.

Bill read third time.

Remarks by Assemblywoman Duran.

#### ASSEMBLYWOMAN DURAN:

Assembly Bill 278, as amended, requires the Department of Health and Human Services to develop and make available to the Board of Medical Examiners and the State Board of Osteopathic Medicine a data request to be administered to applicants for the renewal of a license or a biennial registration. The data request must solicit certain information about the practice of the applicant and the information must be transmitted to the Department. An applicant must respond to this request but is not subject to disciplinary action by the Board, including refusal to renew a license

or issue a biennial registration. The Department must collect and maintain the confidential information received from the applicants and prepare an annual report relating to the data received.

Roll call on Assembly Bill No. 278

YEAS-26.

NAYS—Black, Dickman, Ellison, Hafen, Hansen, Hardy, Kasama, Krasner, Leavitt, Matthews, McArthur, O'Neill, Roberts, Titus, Tolles, Wheeler—16.

Assembly Bill No. 278 having received a constitutional majority, Mr. Speaker declared it passed, as amended.

Bill ordered transmitted to the Senate.

Assembly Bill No. 356.

Bill read third time.

Remarks by Assemblymen Watts and Hansen.

#### ASSEMBLYMAN WATTS:

Assembly Bill 356 prohibits, with certain exceptions, the use of water from the Colorado River to irrigate nonfunctional turf on certain property by the year 2027. The bill creates the Nonfunctional Turf Removal Advisory Committee to provide recommendations to the Board of Directors of the Southern Nevada Water Authority regarding turf removal. Lastly, the bill requires the Legislative Committee on Public Lands to conduct a study during the 2021–2022 interim concerning water conservation in this state.

## ASSEMBLYWOMAN HANSEN:

I rise in opposition, regretfully. I support the intent and the purpose for Clark County to do this. I just am a no on authorizing it from my jurisdiction. Being here in the north, I do not necessarily think I have that authority. I think it is more of a local issue. So while I completely support the intent behind it and the good it can do, I would rather leave it to the local county.

Roll call on Assembly Bill No. 356

YEAS-30.

NAYS—Black, Dickman, Ellison, Hafen, Hansen, Krasner, Matthews, McArthur, O'Neill, Roberts, Titus, Wheeler—12.

Assembly Bill No. 356 having received a constitutional majority, Mr. Speaker declared it passed, as amended.

Bill ordered transmitted to the Senate.

Assembly Bill No. 452.

Bill read third time.

Remarks by Assemblyman Watts.

#### ASSEMBLYMAN WATTS:

Assembly Bill 452 requires certain state agencies and entities to submit information to the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for the purposes of preparing the annual report on greenhouse gas emissions in this state that the Department is required to prepare. The bill also requires a transfer of certain money from the Fund for Cleaning Up Discharges of Petroleum, not to exceed \$500,000 in any fiscal year, to pay the costs of preparing the required report on greenhouse gas emissions.

Roll call on Assembly Bill No. 452

YEAS-26.

NAYS—Black, Dickman, Ellison, Hafen, Hansen, Hardy, Kasama, Krasner, Leavitt, Matthews, McArthur, O'Neill, Roberts, Titus, Tolles, Wheeler—16.

Assembly Bill No. 452 having received a constitutional majority, Mr. Speaker declared it passed.

Bill ordered transmitted to the Senate.

## REMARKS FROM THE FLOOR

Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson moved that the Assembly adjourn until Monday, May 3, 2021, at 11 a.m.

Motion carried.

Assembly adjourned at 12:08 p.m.

Approved:

JASON FRIERSON
Speaker of the Assembly

Attest: SUSAN FURLONG

Chief Clerk of the Assembly