ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 177—ASSEMBLYMEN GURR; DELONG, DICKMAN, GALLANT, GRAY, HIBBETTS, KASAMA, MCARTHUR AND O'NEILL

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Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing parcel datasets. (BDR 20-715)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: No.

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

AN ACT relating to county assessors; revising provisions relating to the sharing of parcel datasets by the State Demographer to include an association for operators; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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Existing law requires a county assessor to annually provide the State Demographer with the fiscal year-end parcel dataset of the county, which the State Demographer must in turn provide, upon written request, to a state agency engaged in activities related to economic development or population estimate research. The parcel dataset must include information on each parcel in the county, including, without limitation, information concerning ownership, parcel number, address, land designations and zoning, improvements and, if applicable, the date and price of sale. (NRS 250.087) Existing law prohibits a person from conducting an excavation or demolition in an area that is known to contain subsurface installations, including a pipeline, force main, supply line, conductor, conduit, cable, duct, wire, communications line, sewer line, storm drain or other structure that is located underground, without first notifying the appropriate association for operators. (NRS 455.084, 455.101, 455.110, 455.120) This bill requires the State Demographer to also provide the fiscal year-end parcel dataset of a county to an association for operators upon written request.





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

- **Section 1.** NRS 250.087 is hereby amended to read as follows: 250.087 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, not later than September 1 of each year, a county assessor shall provide to the State Demographer at no charge the parcel dataset of the county assessor as of June 30 of that year. The State Demographer may not require a county assessor to provide information pursuant to this subsection in a particular digital or electronic format or to use any specific software to provide the information. The State Demographer shall keep confidential the information provided to him or her pursuant to this subsection, except that the State Demographer shall provide such information at no charge to a state agency *and to an association for operators* which [satisfies] satisfy the requirements of this section.
- 2. A state agency engaged in activities related to economic development or population estimate research or an association for operators acting in accordance with NRS 455.080 to 455.180 inclusive, may request the parcel datasets provided to the State Demographer pursuant to subsection 1 by submitting a written request to the State Demographer. The written request must include, without limitation:
- (a) The name and address of the state agency [;] or the association for operators;
- (b) A statement of the purpose for which the state agency *or the association for operators* is seeking the parcel datasets; and
- (c) A summary of the research or statistical reports which will be produced from the parcel datasets [...], as applicable.
- 3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, if the State Demographer finds that a written request complies with subsection 2, the State Demographer shall provide to the state agency *or the association for operators, as applicable*, at no charge the parcel datasets provided to the State Demographer pursuant to subsection 1.
- 4. The State Demographer may refuse a request submitted by a state agency *or an association for operators* pursuant to subsection 2 if the State Demographer has provided the requested information to the state agency *or the association for operators* during the calendar year in which the request is made.
- 5. A state agency receiving parcel datasets pursuant to this section shall provide to the county that provided the parcel datasets and the Office of Economic Development, at no charge, a summary of the research produced from that information.





- 6. The State Demographer or any employee or other agent of a state agency *or an association for operators* receiving parcel datasets pursuant to this section shall not knowingly:
- (a) Publish or otherwise disclose any information made confidential pursuant to NRS 250.100 to 250.230, inclusive; or
- (b) Use any information made confidential pursuant to NRS 250.100 to 250.230, inclusive, to contact any person.
- 7. A person who violates subsection 6 is guilty of a misdemeanor and, in addition, the court may order a person who violates subsection 6 to pay a civil penalty in an amount not to exceed \$2.500 for each act.
- 8. A state agency *or an association for operators* receiving a parcel dataset pursuant to this section shall keep the parcel dataset confidential, and, except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, the State Demographer, or any employee or other agent of a state agency *or an association for operators* receiving a parcel dataset pursuant to this section, shall not provide the parcel dataset to any person or governmental agency.
 - 9. As used in this section:

- (a) "Association for operators" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 455.084 and includes, without limitation, Underground Service Alert of Northern California and Nevada, or its successor organization.
- (b) "Parcel dataset" means data or files maintained in digital or electronic format by a county assessor in the course of his or her duties that contain information on each parcel in the county, including, without limitation, information concerning ownership, parcel number, address, land designations and zoning, improvements and, if applicable, the date and price of sale.

(c) "State agency" means:

- (1) The State of Nevada, or any agency, instrumentality or corporation thereof; and
- (2) Faculty of the Nevada System of Higher Education or any branch or facility thereof.
- [(c)] (d) "State Demographer" means the demographer employed pursuant to NRS 360.283.





