

Assembly Bill No. 243—Committee on
Legislative Operations and Elections

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AN ACT relating to legislative affairs; making various changes relating to legislative interim committees and presiding officers of those committees; revising provisions relating to Joint Interim Standing Committees; revising the deadline to submit an application to the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Education to serve on the Nevada State Teacher Recruitment and Retention Advisory Task Force; repealing the requirement that the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Health and Human Services review certain regulations; revising provisions relating to legislative committee members and staff regulated by the Nevada Lobbying Disclosure and Regulation Act and Nevada Financial Disclosure Act; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law establishes various legislative interim committees that are created or authorized to conduct studies or investigations or perform other legislative business during the interim between legislative sessions, and existing law provides for the appointment or designation of chairs and vice chairs of such interim committees. (Chapter 218E of NRS, NRS 232B.210-232B.250) Existing law also contains provisions that apply exclusively to such interim committees without applying to any session committees. (NRS 218E.105-218E.140)

Under existing common-law principles of parliamentary law, the chair of a committee serves as the presiding officer of the committee and may take, direct or require any necessary and reasonable actions to carry out the committee's management, government, budget, meetings and proceedings, subject to the laws and rules governing the committee. In addition, if a vacancy occurs in the position of chair, or if the chair is prohibited or disqualified from participating or acting on a particular matter for any reason or is absent, disabled or otherwise unavailable or unable to carry out the position for any reason, the vice chair of the committee serves as the acting chair, with all the powers, privileges and immunities of the position of chair, until the vacancy is filled or the chair is eligible, available or able to carry out the position again, as applicable. (*Mason's Manual of Legislative Procedure* §§ 575-579, 608-611 (2020); Luther S. Cushing, *Elements of the Law & Practice of Legislative Assemblies* §§ 287, 308, 313, 314, 1910 (1856); *Hicks v. Long Branch Comm'n*, 55 A. 250, 250-51 (N.J. 1903)) To assist interim committees in conducting their legislative business consistently with existing common-law principles of parliamentary law, **sections 4-6** of this bill codify those existing common-law principles into the statutory provisions that apply to interim committees. (*Welfare Div. v. Maynard*, 84 Nev. 525, 529 (1968) ("A statutory enactment can be simply a legislative pronouncement of already existing law."); *State Gaming Comm'n v. Southwest Sec.*, 108 Nev. 379, 383-84 (1992))

Existing law: (1) establishes Joint Interim Standing Committees of the Legislature that may evaluate and review issues within the jurisdiction of the corresponding standing committees from the preceding regular session of the



Legislature, exercise certain investigative powers and, under certain circumstances, conduct studies directed by the Legislature or the Legislative Commission; (2) provides for the appointment of regular members and alternate members to each Joint Interim Standing Committee; and (3) requires the Legislative Commission to select a Chair and a Vice Chair for each Joint Interim Standing Committee. (NRS 218E.320, 218E.330)

Sections 8-10 of this bill clarify and revise various requirements governing the Joint Interim Standing Committees. **Section 8** of this bill renames the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources as the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources and Public Lands. **Sections 1, 15-17, 43 and 47.5** of this bill make conforming changes. **Section 8** additionally requires the appointing authorities to appoint the committee members for each Joint Interim Standing Committee, along with the Chairs and Vice Chairs, not later than August 31 following the adjournment of each regular session. **Section 8** also clarifies the length of the terms that the committee members and the Chairs and Vice Chairs serve while qualified.

Section 9 of this bill authorizes the Joint Interim Standing Committees to begin holding their meetings on September 1 after the adjournment of each regular session, instead of November 1 under existing law. **Section 9** provides that if a regular member cannot attend a meeting of the Committee, an alternate member must be of the same political party as the regular member, and **section 9** clarifies that, when acting in place of a regular member, an alternate member has all the powers, privileges and immunities of a regular member.

Existing law requires that any recommended legislation proposed by a Joint Interim Standing Committee must be approved by a majority of the members of the Senate and a majority of the members of the Assembly serving on the Committee. (NRS 218E.325) **Section 9** changes this requirement by providing that any recommended legislation proposed by a Committee must be approved by a vote in favor of such legislation by at least five members of the eight-member Committee, regardless of their House.

Existing law requires the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections to evaluate and review issues relating to governmental purchasing. (NRS 218E.330) **Section 10** of this bill transfers such duties to the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Government Affairs. **Section 44** of this bill makes a conforming change to require that the biennial report on recommendations for legislation relating to government purchasing be submitted to the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Government Affairs.

Existing law creates the Subcommittee on Public Lands of the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources and prescribes the Subcommittee's powers and duties. (NRS 218E.500-218E.525, NRS 321.7355) **Sections 15-17, 43 and 51** of this bill eliminate the Subcommittee and transfer its powers and duties to the renamed Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources and Public Lands. **Section 16** of this bill requires the renamed Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources and Public Lands to hold at least three meetings during each legislative interim where the primary physical location of the meeting is located in a different county for each such meeting other than Clark County, Washoe County or Carson City. However, **section 16** does not prohibit the use of authorized remote-technology systems for each such meeting, including when necessary to connect the primary physical location of the meeting to additional physical locations for the meeting in Clark County, Washoe County or Carson City.

Existing law creates: (1) the Legislative Committee for the Review and Oversight of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and the Marlette Lake Water System; and (2) the Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults



With Special Needs. (NRS 218E.550-218E.570, 218E.745-218E.760) **Sections 18 and 19** of this bill revise the membership, organization and operations of each Legislative Committee.

Existing law creates the Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission. (NRS 232B.210-232B.250) **Sections 33-40** of this bill: (1) rename the Sunset Subcommittee as the Sunset Committee of the Legislature; and (2) revise the membership, organization and operations of the Sunset Committee.

Existing law authorizes Joint Interim Standing Committees and other interim committees to request the drafting of a certain number of legislative measures for each regular session. (NRS 218D.160) **Section 1** of this bill revises the number of such requests that may be made by the Sunset Committee of the Legislature.

Existing law requires the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Health and Human Services to review certain regulations that are proposed or adopted by certain licensing boards and that are related to health care. (NRS 439B.225) **Section 51** of this bill repeals the requirement that the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Health and Human Services review such regulations. **Sections 41 and 42** of this bill make conforming changes to eliminate the requirement that such regulations be submitted to the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Health and Human Services.

Existing law requires a teacher who wishes to serve on the Nevada State Teacher Recruitment and Retention Advisory Task Force to submit an application to the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Education on or before January 15 of an even-numbered year. (NRS 391.494) **Section 46** of this bill moves the due date of the application from January 15 of an even-numbered year to December 1 of an odd-numbered year.

Existing law requires various reports, documents and other information to be compiled by state or local governmental agencies and then reported to certain legislative committees or staff. (NRS 193.309, 209.192, 209.461, 209.4818, 332.215, 388.887, 449.242) **Sections 29-32, 44, 45 and 47** of this bill revise those reporting requirements.

Under existing law, the Nevada Lobbying Disclosure and Regulation Act (Lobbying Act) prohibits, with certain exceptions, Legislators, legislative officers and legislative staff members from knowingly or willfully soliciting or accepting any gift from a lobbyist, whether or not the Legislature is in a regular or special session. (NRS 218H.060, 218H.090, 218H.930) Under existing exceptions to the gift prohibitions, if Legislators or members of their households receive anything of value from a lobbyist to undertake or attend any educational or informational meetings, events or trips, such meetings, events or trips are excluded from the term “gift” under the Lobbying Act, but the Legislators are required to report the educational or informational meetings, events or trips on their financial disclosure statements under the Nevada Financial Disclosure Act (Financial Disclosure Act). (NRS 218H.045, 218H.060, 281.5583, 281.571)

Sections 20-27 of this bill create exceptions for legislative committee investigative meetings, events or trips. **Section 22** of this bill defines a “legislative committee investigative meeting, event or trip” to include any meetings, events or trips that the chair of a legislative committee authorizes as official meetings, events or trips of the committee in order for the members of the committee and legislative staff members to investigate or otherwise receive any education or information on matters that are pertinent to the committee’s legislative business or possible future legislative action. Based on the exceptions in **sections 24 and 26** of this bill, such legislative committee investigative meetings, events or trips are not required to be reported on financial disclosure statements under the Financial Disclosure Act. (NRS 281.5583, 281.5585)



Sections 24 and 26 also make the existing exceptions for educational or informational meetings, events or trips applicable to: (1) legislative officers, such as the Secretary of the Senate and the Chief Clerk of the Assembly; and (2) legislative staff members but only if such staff members have the approval of their chief administrative supervisors to undertake or attend the educational or informational meetings, events or trips. Because the Financial Disclosure Act applies to legislative officers, such as the Secretary of the Senate and the Chief Clerk of the Assembly, and to certain senior staff members of the Legislative Counsel Bureau, such as the Director and the chiefs of the divisions, they are required to report the educational or informational meetings, events or trips on financial disclosure statements. By contrast, if rank-and-file legislative staff members have the approval of their chief administrative supervisors to undertake or attend any educational or informational meetings, events or trips, they are not required to report the educational or informational meetings, events or trips on financial disclosure statements, unless they qualify as a public officer or candidate or a member of a public officer's or candidate's household for the purposes of the Financial Disclosure Act. (NRS 281.005, 281.558, 281.5583, 281.5587)

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

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

Section 1. NRS 218D.160 is hereby amended to read as follows:

218D.160 1. The Chair of the Legislative Commission may request the drafting of not more than 10 legislative measures before the first day of a regular session, with the approval of the Legislative Commission, which relate to the affairs of the Legislature or its employees, including legislative measures requested by the legislative staff.

2. The Chair of the Interim Finance Committee may request the drafting of not more than 10 legislative measures before the first day of a regular session, with the approval of the Committee, which relate to matters within the scope of the Committee.

3. Except as otherwise provided by a specific statute, joint rule or concurrent resolution:

(a) ~~Except as otherwise provided in paragraphs (b), (c) and (d),~~
~~a] A~~ Joint Interim Standing Committee may request the drafting of not more than 10 legislative measures which relate to matters within the scope of the Committee ~~[-~~

~~—(b) The]~~ , *unless another provision in this subsection authorizes a different number of requests for a specific Joint Interim Standing Committee.*

(b) In addition to the number of requests authorized pursuant to paragraph (a), the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Health



and Human Services may *also* request the drafting of not more than ~~[15] 5~~ legislative measures ~~[which relate to matters within the scope of the Committee, at least 5 of which must relate to matters]~~ relating to child welfare.

(c) ~~[The]~~ *In addition to the number of requests authorized pursuant to paragraph (a), the* Joint Interim Standing Committee on the Judiciary may *also* request the drafting of not more ~~[15] than 5~~ legislative measures ~~[which relate to matters within the scope of the Committee, at least 5 of which must relate to matters]~~ relating to juvenile justice.

(d) ~~[The]~~ *In addition to the number of requests authorized pursuant to paragraph (a), the* Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources *and Public Lands* may *also* request the drafting of not more than ~~[14] 4~~ legislative measures ~~[which relate to matters within the scope of the Committee, at least 4 of which must relate to matters]~~ relating to public lands . ~~[based on the recommendations for legislation submitted by the Subcommittee on Public Lands pursuant to NRS 218E.525.]~~

(e) Any legislative committee created by a statute, other than the Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults With Special Needs created by NRS 218E.750 , *the Sunset Committee of the Legislature created by NRS 232B.210* or an interim legislative committee, may request the drafting of not more than 10 legislative measures which relate to matters within the scope of the committee.

(f) The Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults With Special Needs created by NRS 218E.750 may request the drafting of not more than 6 legislative measures which relate to matters within the scope of the Committee.

(g) *The Sunset Committee of the Legislature created by NRS 232B.210 may request the drafting of not more than 5 legislative measures which relate to matters within the scope of the Committee, except that the Committee may request the drafting of additional legislative measures if the Legislative Commission approves each additional request by a majority vote.*

(h) Any committee or subcommittee established by an order of the Legislative Commission pursuant to NRS 218E.200 may request the drafting of not more than 5 legislative measures which relate to matters within the scope of the study or investigation, except that such a committee or subcommittee may request the drafting of additional legislative measures if the Legislative Commission approves each additional request by a majority vote.



~~[(h)]~~ (i) Any other committee established by the Legislature which conducts an interim legislative study or investigation may request the drafting of not more than 5 legislative measures which relate to matters within the scope of the study or investigation.

↳ The requests authorized pursuant to this subsection must be submitted to the Legislative Counsel on or before September 1 preceding a regular session unless the Legislative Commission authorizes submitting a request after that date.

4. Each request made pursuant to this section must be on a form prescribed by the Legislative Counsel.

Secs. 2 and 3. (Deleted by amendment.)

Sec. 4. NRS 218E.110 is hereby amended to read as follows:

218E.110 1. “Committee” means the Legislative Commission, a Joint Interim Standing Committee, *the Sunset Committee of the Legislature created by NRS 232B.210* and any other legislative committee or subcommittee created by *the provisions of this chapter or* a specific statute, concurrent resolution or order of the Legislative Commission to conduct studies or investigations or perform any other legislative business during the legislative interim.

2. *The term includes, without limitation, any interim, advisory or other similar committee or subcommittee for which legislative staff members serve as the primary administrative or professional staff.*

3. The term does not include any legislative committee or subcommittee appointed by the Legislature or either House to conduct or perform legislative business during a regular or special session, including, without limitation, any joint, standing, temporary, special or select committee or committee of the whole.

Sec. 5. NRS 218E.125 is hereby amended to read as follows:

218E.125 1. The provisions of NRS 218E.105 to 218E.140, inclusive, are intended to supplement the other provisions of this chapter and any other ~~[(law)]~~ *laws or rules* governing the legislative proceedings of a committee, *including, without limitation, any applicable principles of parliamentary law*, and the provisions of NRS 218E.105 to 218E.140, inclusive, do not limit the application of such other ~~[(provisions)]~~ *legal authorities*.

2. The powers, privileges and immunities granted by the provisions of NRS 218E.105 to 218E.140, inclusive, are in addition to any other powers, privileges and immunities recognized by ~~[(law)]~~ *any other laws or rules, including, without limitation, any applicable principles of parliamentary law*, and all such powers, privileges and immunities are cumulative, so that the application or



attempted application of any one does not bar the application or attempted application of any other.

Sec. 6. NRS 218E.130 is hereby amended to read as follows:

218E.130 1. A committee may conduct investigations and hold hearings regarding any matter which is pertinent to its legislative business or possible future legislative action and may exercise any of the investigative powers set forth in NRS 218E.105 to 218E.140, inclusive.

2. The secretary of the committee or any member of the committee may administer oaths to witnesses who appear before the committee.

3. The chair of the committee, or the secretary of the committee on behalf of the chair, may cause the deposition of witnesses to be taken, whether the witnesses reside within or without the State, in the manner prescribed by court rules for taking depositions in civil actions in the district court.


4. The chair of the committee may take, direct or require any necessary and reasonable actions to carry out the committee's management, government, budget, meetings and proceedings, subject to the laws and rules governing the committee, including, without limitation, any applicable principles of parliamentary law.

5. If a vacancy occurs in the position of chair of the committee, or if the chair is prohibited or disqualified from participating or acting on a particular matter for any reason or is absent, disabled or otherwise unavailable or unable to carry out the position for any reason, the vice chair of the committee shall serve as the acting chair, with all the powers, privileges and immunities of the position of chair, until the vacancy is filled or the chair is eligible, available or able to carry out the position again, as applicable.

Sec. 7. (Deleted by amendment.)

Sec. 8. NRS 218E.320 is hereby amended to read as follows:

218E.320 1. There are hereby created the following Joint Interim Standing Committees of the Legislature:

- (a) Commerce and Labor;
- (b) Education;
- (c) Government Affairs;
- (d) Growth and Infrastructure;
- (e) Health and Human Services;
- (f) Judiciary;
- (g) Legislative Operations and Elections;
- (h) Natural Resources  *and Public Lands*; and
- (i) Revenue.



2. Each Joint Interim Standing Committee consists of eight regular members and five alternate members. As soon as is practicable after the adjournment of each regular session ~~[]~~ *and not later than August 31 immediately following such adjournment:*

(a) The Speaker of the Assembly shall appoint three members of the Assembly as regular members of each Committee and two members of the Assembly as alternate members of each Committee.

(b) The Minority Leader of the Assembly shall appoint two members of the Assembly as regular members of each Committee and one member of the Assembly as an alternate member of each Committee.

(c) The Majority Leader of the Senate shall appoint two Senators as regular members of each Committee and one Senator as an alternate member of each Committee.

(d) The Minority Leader of the Senate shall appoint one Senator as a regular member of each Committee and one Senator as an alternate member of each Committee.

3. Before making their respective appointments, the Speaker of the Assembly, the Majority Leader of the Senate and the Minority Leaders of the Senate and Assembly shall consult so that, to the extent practicable:

(a) At least five of the regular members appointed to each Joint Interim Standing Committee served on the corresponding standing committee or committees during the preceding regular session.

(b) Not more than five of the regular members appointed to each Joint Interim Standing Committee are members of the same political party.

4. The Legislative Commission shall ~~[select]~~ *appoint* the Chair and Vice Chair of each Joint Interim Standing Committee from among the members of the Committee ~~[]~~ *and shall make such appointments as soon as is practicable after the adjournment of each regular session and not later than August 31 immediately following such adjournment.* The Chair must be appointed from one House of the Legislature and the Vice Chair from the other House. The position of Chair must alternate each biennium between the Houses of the Legislature. ~~[Each of those officers]~~

5. *Except as otherwise provided in this section, each Chair and Vice Chair* holds the position , *while qualified,* until a successor is appointed after the next regular session. If a vacancy occurs in the position of Chair or Vice Chair, the vacancy must be filled in the same manner as the original ~~[selection]~~ *appointment* for the remainder of the unexpired term.



~~[5.]~~ 6. *Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a member of a Joint Interim Standing Committee holds his or her membership on the Committee, while qualified, until a successor is appointed after the next regular session.* The membership of any member of a Joint Interim Standing Committee who does not become a candidate for reelection or who is defeated for reelection terminates on the day next after the general election. The Speaker designate of the Assembly or the Majority Leader designate of the Senate, as the case may be, may appoint a member to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the unexpired term.

~~[6.]~~ 7. Vacancies on a Joint Interim Standing Committee must be filled in the same manner as original appointments.

Sec. 9. NRS 218E.325 is hereby amended to read as follows:

218E.325 1. Except as otherwise ordered by the Legislative Commission, the members of a Joint Interim Standing Committee shall meet not earlier than ~~[November 1 of each odd-numbered year]~~ *September 1 immediately following the adjournment of each regular session* and not later than August 31 of the following even-numbered year at the times and places specified by a call of the Chair or a majority of the Committee.

2. The Director or his or her designee shall act as the nonvoting recording Secretary of each Joint Interim Standing Committee.

3. Five members of a Joint Interim Standing Committee constitute a quorum, and a quorum may exercise all the power and authority conferred on the Committee, except that any recommended legislation proposed by ~~[a]~~ *the* Committee must be approved by a ~~[majority of the members of the Senate and a majority of the members of the Assembly serving on]~~ *vote in favor of such legislation by at least five members of* the Committee.

4. *All requests for the drafting of recommended legislation approved by a Joint Interim Standing Committee must be made in accordance with NRS 218D.160.*

5. *If an alternate member of a Joint Interim Standing Committee attends a meeting of the Committee in place of a regular member who cannot attend the meeting, the alternate member who attends the meeting must be of the same political party as the regular member. When acting in place of a regular member, an alternate member has all the powers, privileges and immunities of a regular member.*

6. Except during a regular or special session, for each day or portion of a day during which a member of a Joint Interim Standing Committee attends a meeting of the Committee or is otherwise



engaged in the work of the Committee, the member is entitled to receive the:

- (a) Compensation provided for a majority of the members of the Legislature during the first 60 days of the preceding regular session;
- (b) Per diem allowance provided for state officers and employees generally; and
- (c) Travel expenses provided pursuant to NRS 218A.655.

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7. The compensation, per diem allowances and travel expenses of the members of a *Joint Interim Standing* Committee must be paid from the Legislative Fund.

Sec. 10. NRS 218E.330 is hereby amended to read as follows:

218E.330 1. A Joint Interim Standing Committee may:

- (a) Evaluate and review issues within the jurisdiction of the corresponding standing committee or committees from the preceding regular session;
- (b) Exercise any of the investigative powers set forth in NRS 218E.105 to 218E.140, inclusive; and
- (c) Within the limits of the Committee's budget, conduct studies directed by the Legislature or the Legislative Commission.

2. In addition to the authorized scope of issues set forth in paragraph (a) of subsection 1:

(a) The Joint Interim Standing Committee on Health and Human Services shall, either as part of its regular work or through appointment of a subcommittee, evaluate and review issues relating to child welfare.

(b) The Joint Interim Standing Committee on the Judiciary shall, either as part of its regular work or through appointment of a subcommittee, evaluate and review issues relating to juvenile justice.

(c) The Joint Interim Standing Committee on ~~Legislative Operations and Elections~~ *Government Affairs* may evaluate and review issues relating to governmental purchasing, including, without limitation, recommendations submitted to the Joint Interim Standing Committee by the Commission to Study Governmental Purchasing pursuant to NRS 332.215.

3. The Legislative Commission shall review and approve the budget and work program of each Joint Interim Standing Committee and any changes to the budget or work program.

4. A Joint Interim Standing Committee shall prepare a comprehensive report of the Committee's activities in the interim and its findings and any recommendations for proposed legislation.



The report must be submitted to the Director for distribution to the next regular session.

Secs. 11-14. (Deleted by amendment.)

Sec. 15. NRS 218E.500 is hereby amended to read as follows:
218E.500 The Legislature finds and declares that:

1. Policies and issues relating to public lands and state sovereignty as impaired by federal ownership of land are matters of continuing concern to this State.

2. This concern necessarily includes an awareness that all federal statutes, policies and regulations which affect the management of public lands are likely to have extensive effects within the State and must not be ignored or automatically dismissed as beyond the reach of the state's policymakers.

3. Experience with federal regulations relating to public lands has demonstrated that the State of Nevada and its citizens are subjected to regulations which sometimes are unreasonable, arbitrary, beyond the intent of the Congress or the scope of the authority of the agency adopting them and that as a result these regulations should be subjected to legislative review and comment, and judicially tested where appropriate, to protect the rights and interests of the State and its citizens.

4. Other western states where public lands comprise a large proportion of the total area have shown an interest in matters relating to public lands and those states, along with Nevada, have been actively participating in cooperative efforts to acquire, evaluate and share information and promote greater understanding of the issues. Since Nevada can both contribute to and benefit from such interstate activities, it is appropriate that ~~[a subcommittee on matters relating to public lands]~~ *the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources and Public Lands* be assigned primary responsibility for participating in them.

Sec. 16. NRS 218E.520 is hereby amended to read as follows:

218E.520 1. ~~[The Subcommittee]~~ *During each legislative interim, the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources and Public Lands must hold at least three meetings where the primary physical location for the meeting is:*

(a) Located in a different county for each such meeting; and

(b) Not located in Clark County, Washoe County or Carson City for each such meeting,

↪ except that this subsection does not prohibit any additional physical locations for such a meeting from being located in Clark County, Washoe County or Carson City and connected to the primary physical location for the meeting through the use of any



authorized remote-technology system or otherwise prohibit the use of any authorized remote-technology system for such a meeting. As used in this subsection, “authorized remote-technology system” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 218A.806.

2. In addition to any other powers or duties, the Committee may:

(a) Review and comment on any administrative policy, rule or regulation of the:

(1) Secretary of the Interior which pertains to policy concerning or management of public lands under the control of the Federal Government; and

(2) Secretary of Agriculture which pertains to policy concerning or management of national forests;

(b) Conduct investigations and hold hearings in connection with its review, including, but not limited to, investigating the effect on the State, its citizens, political subdivisions, businesses and industries of those policies, rules, regulations and related laws, and exercise any of the investigative powers set forth in NRS 218E.105 to 218E.140, inclusive;

(c) Consult with and advise the State Land Use Planning Agency on matters concerning federal land use, policies and activities in this State;

(d) Direct the Legislative Counsel Bureau to assist in its research, investigations, review and comment;

(e) Recommend to the Legislature as a result of its review any appropriate state legislation or corrective federal legislation;

(f) Advise the Attorney General if it believes that any federal policy, rule or regulation which it has reviewed encroaches on the sovereignty respecting land or water or their use which has been reserved to the State pursuant to the Constitution of the United States;

(g) Enter into a contract for consulting services for land planning and any other related activities, including, but not limited to:

(1) Advising the ~~Subcommittee~~ *Committee* and the State Land Use Planning Agency concerning the revision of the plans pursuant to NRS 321.7355;

(2) Assisting local governments in the identification of lands administered by the Federal Government in this State which are needed for residential or economic development or any other purpose; and

(3) Assisting local governments in the acquisition of federal lands in this State;



(h) Apply for any available grants and accept any gifts, grants or donations to assist the ~~{Subcommittee}~~ *Committee* in carrying out its duties; and

(i) Review and comment on any other matter relating to the preservation, conservation, use, management or disposal of public lands deemed appropriate by the Chair of the ~~{Subcommittee}~~ *Committee* or by a majority of the members of the ~~{Subcommittee.}~~ *Committee.*

~~{2.}~~ 3. Any reference in this section to federal policies, rules, regulations and related federal laws includes those which are proposed as well as those which are enacted or adopted.

Sec. 17. NRS 218E.525 is hereby amended to read as follows:

218E.525 1. ~~{The Subcommittee}~~ *In addition to any other powers or duties, the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources and Public Lands* shall:

(a) Actively support the efforts of state and local governments in the western states regarding public lands and state sovereignty as impaired by federal ownership of land.

(b) Advance knowledge and understanding in local, regional and national forums of Nevada's unique situation with respect to public lands.

(c) Support legislation that will enhance state and local roles in the management of public lands and will increase the disposal of public lands.

2. ~~{The Subcommittee:}~~ *In addition to any other powers or duties, the Committee:*

(a) Shall review the programs and activities of:

(1) The Colorado River Commission of Nevada;

(2) All public water authorities, districts and systems in the State of Nevada, including, without limitation, the Southern Nevada Water Authority, the Truckee Meadows Water Authority, the Virgin Valley Water District, the Carson Water Subconservancy District, the Humboldt River Basin Water Authority and the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District; and

(3) All other public or private entities with which any county in the State has an agreement regarding the planning, development or distribution of water resources, or any combination thereof; *and*

~~(b) {Shall submit recommendations for legislation to the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources;~~

~~—(c) Shall, on or before January 15 of each odd numbered year, submit to the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources for transmittal to the Legislature a report concerning the review conducted pursuant to paragraph (a); and~~



~~—(d)~~ May review and comment on other issues relating to water resources in this State, including, without limitation:

(1) The laws, regulations and policies regulating the use, allocation and management of water in this State; and

(2) The status of existing information and studies relating to water use, surface water resources and groundwater resources in this State.

Sec. 18. NRS 218E.555 is hereby amended to read as follows:

218E.555 1. There is hereby created the Legislative Committee for the Review and Oversight of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and the Marlette Lake Water System . ~~[consisting of three members of the Senate and three members of the Assembly, appointed by the Legislative Commission with]~~

2. The Committee consists of eight regular members and five alternate members who are appointed in the same manner as the members of a Joint Interim Standing Committee pursuant to NRS 218E.320, except that the members of the Committee must be appointed, to the extent practicable:

(a) With appropriate regard for their experience with and knowledge of matters relating to the management of natural resources ~~[. The members must be appointed to]~~; *and*

(b) To provide representation from the various geographical regions of the State.

~~[2. The Legislative Commission shall review and approve the budget and work program for the Committee and any changes to the budget or work program.~~

~~—3. The members of the Committee shall elect a Chair from one House and a Vice Chair from the other House. Each Chair and Vice Chair holds office for a term of 2 years commencing on July 1 of each odd numbered year.~~

~~—4. Any member of the Committee who is not a candidate for reelection or who is defeated for reelection continues to serve after the general election until the next regular or special session convenes.~~

~~—5. Vacancies on the Committee must be filled in the same manner as original appointments.~~

~~—6. The Committee shall report annually to the Legislative Commission concerning its activities and any recommendations.]~~

3. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the provisions of NRS 218E.320, 218E.325 and 218E.330:

(a) Apply to the Committee in the same manner as a Joint Interim Standing Committee, including, without limitation,



providing the Committee with any powers, privileges and immunities set forth in those provisions; and

(b) Control the Committee's formation, organization and operations, including, without limitation, its membership, officers, management, government, budget, compensation, allowances, expenses, meetings and proceedings, but the Committee shall not be deemed a Joint Interim Standing Committee for the purposes of the number of requests that it may submit for the drafting of legislative measures pursuant to NRS 218D.160.

4. If there is a conflict between the provisions of NRS 218E.320, 218E.325 and 218E.330 and the provisions of a specific statute that applies to the Committee, the provisions of the specific statute control.

Sec. 19. NRS 218E.750 is hereby amended to read as follows:

218E.750 1. The Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults With Special Needs ~~[, consisting of six members,]~~ is hereby created.

2. The ~~[membership of the]~~ Committee consists of ~~[-~~

~~—(a) Three members of the Senate appointed by the Majority Leader of the Senate, at least one of whom must be a member of the minority political party; and~~

~~—(b) Three members of the Assembly appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly, at least one of whom must be a member of the minority political party.~~

~~—2. The Legislative Commission shall review and approve the budget and work program for the Committee and any changes to the budget or work program.~~

~~—3. The Legislative Commission shall select the Chair and Vice Chair of the Committee from among the members of the Committee. After the initial selection, each Chair and Vice Chair holds office for a term of 2 years commencing on July 1 of each odd-numbered year. The office of Chair of the Committee must alternate each biennium between the Houses. If a vacancy occurs in the office of Chair or Vice Chair, the vacancy must be filled in the same manner as the original selection for the remainder of the unexpired term.~~

~~—4. A member of the Committee who is not a candidate for reelection or who is defeated for reelection continues to serve after the general election until the next regular or special session convenes.~~

~~—5. A vacancy on the Committee must be filled in the same manner as the original appointment for the remainder of the unexpired term.]~~ *eight regular members and five alternate members who are appointed in the same manner as the members*



of a Joint Interim Standing Committee pursuant to NRS 218E.320.

3. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the provisions of NRS 218E.320, 218E.325 and 218E.330:

(a) Apply to the Committee in the same manner as a Joint Interim Standing Committee, including, without limitation, providing the Committee with any powers, privileges and immunities set forth in those provisions; and

(b) Control the Committee's formation, organization and operations, including, without limitation, its membership, officers, management, government, budget, compensation, allowances, expenses, meetings and proceedings, but the Committee shall not be deemed a Joint Interim Standing Committee for the purposes of the number of requests that it may submit for the drafting of legislative measures pursuant to NRS 218D.160.

4. If there is a conflict between the provisions of NRS 218E.320, 218E.325 and 218E.330 and the provisions of a specific statute that applies to the Committee, the provisions of the specific statute control.

Sec. 20. Chapter 218H of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 21 and 22 of this act.

Sec. 21. *1. "Legislative committee" means any committee, subcommittee, commission or similar body created or authorized by the Legislature or either House to conduct or perform legislative business at the direction of or on behalf of the Legislature or either House.*

2. The term includes, without limitation, any interim, advisory or other committee, subcommittee, commission or similar body for which legislative staff members serve as the primary administrative or professional staff.

Sec. 22. *"Legislative committee investigative meeting, event or trip" means any meeting, event or trip that the chair of a legislative committee authorizes as an official meeting, event or trip of the committee in order for the members of the committee and legislative staff members to investigate or otherwise receive any education or information on matters that are pertinent to the committee's legislative business or possible future legislative action.*

Sec. 23. NRS 218H.030 is hereby amended to read as follows:
218H.030 As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in NRS 218H.033 to 218H.110, inclusive, *and sections 21 and 22 of this act*, have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.



Sec. 24. NRS 218H.045 is hereby amended to read as follows:

218H.045 1. “Educational or informational meeting, event or trip” means any meeting, event or trip undertaken or attended by a Legislator ~~[if,]~~ *or legislative officer, or any legislative staff member with the approval of his or her chief administrative supervisor, if* in connection with the meeting, event or trip:

(a) The Legislator *, legislative officer or legislative staff member*, or a member of ~~[the Legislator’s]~~ *his or her* household , receives anything of value from a lobbyist to undertake or attend the meeting, event or trip; and

(b) The Legislator *, legislative officer or legislative staff member* provides or receives any education or information on matters relating to the legislative, administrative or political action of the Legislator ~~[.]~~ *or the Legislative Branch.*

2. The term includes, without limitation, any reception, gathering, conference, convention, discussion, forum, roundtable, seminar, symposium, speaking engagement or other similar meeting, event or trip with an educational or informational component.

3. The term does not include:

(a) A meeting, event or trip undertaken or attended by a Legislator *, legislative officer or legislative staff member*, or a member of ~~[the Legislator’s]~~ *his or her* household , for personal reasons or for reasons relating to any professional or occupational license held by the ~~[Legislator or the member of the Legislator’s household,]~~ *person*, unless the ~~[Legislator or the member of the Legislator’s household]~~ *person* participates as one of the primary speakers, instructors or presenters at the meeting, event or trip.

(b) A meeting, event or trip undertaken or attended by a Legislator *, legislative officer or legislative staff member*, or a member of ~~[the Legislator’s]~~ *his or her* household , if the meeting, event or trip is undertaken or attended as part of his or her bona fide employment or service as an employee or independent contractor and anything of value received by the ~~[Legislator or the member of the Legislator’s household]~~ *person* for the meeting, event or trip or otherwise paid for or reimbursed to the ~~[Legislator or the member of the Legislator’s household]~~ *person* as part of his or her bona fide employment or service as an employee or independent contractor.

(c) A party, meal, function or other social event to which every Legislator is invited where educational or informational displays or materials are available but no formal speech, presentation or other similar action to educate or inform the Legislators occurs.

(d) A legislative committee investigative meeting, event or trip.



4. For the purposes of this section, “anything of value” includes, without limitation, any actual expenses for food, beverages, registration fees, travel or lodging provided or given to or paid for the benefit of the Legislator, *legislative officer or legislative staff member*, or a member of ~~the Legislator’s~~ *his or her* household, or reimbursement for any such actual expenses paid by the ~~Legislator or a member of the Legislator’s household,~~ *person*, if the expenses are incurred on a day during which the ~~Legislator or a member of the Legislator’s household~~ *person* undertakes or attends the meeting, event or trip or during which the ~~Legislator or a member of the Legislator’s household~~ *person* travels to or from the meeting, event or trip.

5. For the purposes of this section, if a legislative staff member undertakes or attends a meeting, event or trip that meets the definition of “educational or informational meeting, event or trip” set forth in this section, the legislative staff member is not subject to the Nevada Financial Disclosure Act in NRS 281.5555 to 281.581, inclusive, unless the legislative staff member is a public officer or candidate or a member of a public officer’s or candidate’s household for the purposes of that Act.

Sec. 25. NRS 218H.050 is hereby amended to read as follows:

218H.050 1. “Expenditure” means any of the following acts by a lobbyist while the Legislature is in a regular or special session:

(a) Any payment, conveyance, transfer, distribution, deposit, advance, loan, forbearance, subscription, pledge or rendering of money, services or anything else of value; or

(b) Any contract, agreement, promise or other obligation, whether or not legally enforceable, to make any such expenditure.

2. The term includes, without limitation:

(a) Anything of value provided for an educational or informational meeting, event or trip ~~or~~ *or a legislative committee investigative meeting, event or trip.*

(b) The cost of a party, meal, function or other social event to which every Legislator is invited.

3. The term does not include:

(a) A prohibited gift.

(b) A lobbyist’s personal expenditures for his or her own food, beverages, lodging, travel expenses or membership fees or dues.

Sec. 26. NRS 218H.060 is hereby amended to read as follows:

218H.060 1. “Gift” means any payment, conveyance, transfer, distribution, deposit, advance, loan, forbearance, subscription, pledge or rendering of money, services or anything



else of value, unless consideration of equal or greater value is received.

2. The term does not include:

(a) Any political contribution of money or services related to a political campaign.

(b) Any commercially reasonable loan made in the ordinary course of business.

(c) Anything of value provided for an educational or informational meeting, event or trip ~~or~~ *or a legislative committee investigative meeting, event or trip.*

(d) The cost of a party, meal, function or other social event to which every Legislator is invited, including, without limitation, the cost of food or beverages provided at the party, meal, function or other social event. For the purposes of this paragraph, there is a presumption that every Legislator is invited if the party, meal, function or other social event is held at any governmental building, facility or other property or the invitation for or notice of the party, meal, function or other social event indicates that it is a legislative event.

(e) Any ceremonial gifts received for a birthday, wedding, anniversary, holiday or other ceremonial occasion from a donor who is not a lobbyist.

(f) Anything of value received from a person who is:

(1) Related to the recipient, or to the spouse or domestic partner of the recipient, by blood, adoption, marriage or domestic partnership within the third degree of consanguinity or affinity; or

(2) A member of the recipient's household.

(g) Anything of value received by a person as part of his or her bona fide employment or service as an employee or independent contractor or otherwise paid for or reimbursed to the person as part of his or her bona fide employment or service as an employee or independent contractor.

Sec. 27. NRS 218H.092 is hereby amended to read as follows:

218H.092 ~~["Member of the Legislator's household" means]~~

For the purposes of this chapter, "member of the person's household" or "member of his or her household," or any variation thereof, shall be deemed to mean:

1. *For a person who is subject to the Nevada Financial Disclosure Act in NRS 281.5555 to 281.581, inclusive, a member of ~~[the Legislator's]~~ his or her household for the purposes of that Act.*

2. *For any other person, a substantially similar member of his or her household as if the Nevada Financial Disclosure Act in*



NRS 281.5555 to 281.581, inclusive ~~[1]~~, *applied to the person but only for the limited purposes of this definition.*

Sec. 28. NRS 176.0129 is hereby amended to read as follows:

176.0129 **1.** The Office of Finance shall, on an annual basis, contract for the services of an independent contractor, in accordance with the provisions of NRS 333.700, to review sentences imposed in this State and the practices of the State Board of Parole Commissioners and project annually the number of persons who will be:

~~[1]~~ **(a)** In a facility or institution of the Department of Corrections;

~~[2]~~ **(b)** On probation;

~~[3]~~ **(c)** On parole; and

~~[4]~~ **(d)** Serving a term of residential confinement,

→ during the 10 years immediately following the date of the projection.

2. *On or before December 1 of each year, the Office of Finance shall prepare an annual report of the review and projections made by the independent contractor pursuant to subsection 1 and provide the report to:*

(a) The Joint Interim Standing Committee on the Judiciary; and

(b) The Department of Sentencing Policy.

Sec. 29. NRS 193.309 is hereby amended to read as follows:

193.309 **1.** Each law enforcement agency shall annually make available to the public and on a monthly basis submit to the Central Repository a report that includes, without limitation, a compilation of statistics relating to incidents involving the use of force that occurred during the immediately preceding calendar year, or month, as applicable, including, without limitation:

(a) The number of complaints against peace officers employed by the law enforcement agency relating to the use of force and the number of such complaints that were substantiated; and

(b) A compilation of statistics relating to incidents involving the use of force that, for each incident, includes, without limitation, all information collected by the National Use-of-Force Data Collection of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

2. Each law enforcement agency shall submit the report required pursuant to subsection 1 in a manner approved by the Director of the Department of Public Safety and in accordance with the policies, procedures and definitions of the Department.

3. The Central Repository shall make the use-of-force data submitted by each law enforcement agency pursuant to subsection 1



available for access by the public on the Internet website of the Central Repository.

4. The Central Repository may accept gifts, grants and donations from any source for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this section.

5. To the extent of legislative appropriation, the Office of the Attorney General shall:

(a) Review the use-of-force data that is publicly available on the Internet website of the Central Repository;

(b) Prepare a report containing any conclusions or recommendations resulting from its review; and

(c) On or before December 1 of each year, submit to the Governor, *the Joint Interim Standing Committee on the Judiciary* and ~~to~~ the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the Legislature the report prepared pursuant to paragraph (b).

6. Each law enforcement agency in this State shall participate in the National Use-of-Force Data Collection of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

7. Information collected pursuant to this section must not be introduced into evidence or otherwise used in any way against a peace officer during a criminal proceeding.

8. As used in this section:

(a) “Central Repository” means the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History.

(b) “Law enforcement agency” means:

(1) The sheriff’s office of a county;

(2) A metropolitan police department;

(3) A police department of an incorporated city;

(4) The Department of Corrections;

(5) The police department for the Nevada System of Higher Education;

(6) Any political subdivision of this State employing park rangers to enforce laws within its jurisdiction; or

(7) Any political subdivision of this State which has as its primary duty the enforcement of law and which employs peace officers to fulfill its duty.

Sec. 30. NRS 209.192 is hereby amended to read as follows:

209.192 1. There is hereby created in the State Treasury a Fund for New Construction of Facilities for Prison Industries as a capital projects fund. The Director shall deposit in the Fund the deductions made pursuant to subparagraph (3) of paragraph (a) of



subsection 3 or subparagraph (2) of paragraph (a) of subsection 4 of NRS 209.463. The money in the Fund must only be expended:

(a) To house new industries or expand existing industries in the industrial program to provide additional employment of offenders;

(b) To relocate, expand, upgrade or modify an existing industry in the industrial program to enhance or improve operations or security or to provide additional employment or training of offenders;

(c) To purchase or lease equipment to be used for the training of offenders or in the operations of prison industries;

(d) To pay or fund the operations of prison industries, including, without limitation, paying the salaries of staff and wages of offenders if the cash balance in the Fund for Prison Industries is below the average monthly expenses for the operation of prison industries;

(e) To advertise and promote the goods produced and services provided by prison industries; or

(f) For any other purpose authorized by the Legislature.

2. Before money in the Fund may be expended:

(a) As described in paragraphs (b) to (e), inclusive, of subsection 1, the Director shall submit a proposal for the expenditure to the ~~Joint Interim Standing Committee on the Judiciary~~ *Interim Finance Committee* and the State Board of Examiners.

(b) For construction, the Director shall submit a proposal for the expenditure to the State Board of Examiners.

3. Upon making a determination that the proposed expenditure is appropriate and necessary, the State Board of Examiners shall recommend to the Interim Finance Committee, or the Senate Standing Committee on Finance and the Assembly Standing Committee on Ways and Means when the Legislature is in general session, that the expenditure be approved. Upon approval of the appropriate committee or committees, the money may be so expended.

4. If any money in the Fund is used as described in paragraph (d) of subsection 1, the Director shall repay the amount used as soon as sufficient money is available in the Fund for Prison Industries.

5. The interest and income earned on the money in the Fund, after deducting any applicable charges, must be credited to the Fund.

6. As used in this section, “Fund” means Fund for New Construction of Facilities for Prison Industries.

Sec. 31. NRS 209.461 is hereby amended to read as follows:

209.461 1. The Director shall:



(a) To the greatest extent possible, approximate the normal conditions of training and employment in the community.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in this section, to the extent practicable, require each offender, except those whose behavior is found by the Director to preclude participation, to spend 40 hours each week in vocational training or employment, unless excused for a medical reason or to attend educational classes in accordance with NRS 209.396. The Director shall require as a condition of employment that an offender sign an authorization for the deductions from his or her wages made pursuant to NRS 209.463. Authorization to make the deductions pursuant to NRS 209.463 is implied from the employment of an offender and a signed authorization from the offender is not required for the Director to make the deductions pursuant to NRS 209.463.

(c) Use the earnings from services and manufacturing conducted by the institutions and the money paid by private employers who employ the offenders to offset the costs of operating the prison system and to provide wages for the offenders being trained or employed.

(d) Provide equipment, space and management for services and manufacturing by offenders.

(e) Employ craftsmen and other personnel to supervise and instruct offenders.

(f) Contract with governmental agencies and private employers for the employment of offenders, including their employment on public works projects under contracts with the State and with local governments.

(g) Contract for the use of offenders' services and for the sale of goods manufactured by offenders.

(h) On or before January 1, 2014, and every 5 years thereafter, submit a report to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for distribution to the Joint Interim Standing Committee on the Judiciary. The report must include, without limitation, an analysis of existing contracts with private employers for the employment of offenders and the potential impact of those contracts on private industry in this State.

(i) Submit a report to each meeting of the Interim Finance Committee identifying any accounts receivable related to a program for the employment of offenders.

2. Every program for the employment of offenders established by the Director must:

(a) Employ the maximum number of offenders possible;



(b) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 209.192, provide for the use of money produced by the program to reduce the cost of maintaining the offenders in the institutions;

(c) Have an insignificant effect on the number of jobs available to the residents of this State; and

(d) Provide occupational training for offenders.

3. An offender may not engage in vocational training, employment or a business that requires or permits the offender to:

(a) Telemarket or conduct opinion polls by telephone; or

(b) Acquire, review, use or have control over or access to personal information concerning any person who is not incarcerated.

4. Each fiscal year, the cumulative profits and losses, if any, of the programs for the employment of offenders established by the Director must result in a profit for the Department. The following must not be included in determining whether there is a profit for the Department:

(a) Fees credited to the Fund for Prison Industries pursuant to NRS 482.268, any revenue collected by the Department for the leasing of space, facilities or equipment within the institutions or facilities of the Department, and any interest or income earned on the money in the Fund for Prison Industries.

(b) The selling expenses of the Central Administrative Office of the programs for the employment of offenders. As used in this paragraph, “selling expenses” means delivery expenses, salaries of sales personnel and related payroll taxes and costs, the costs of advertising and the costs of display models.

(c) The general and administrative expenses of the Central Administrative Office of the programs for the employment of offenders. As used in this paragraph, “general and administrative expenses” means the salary of the Deputy Director of Industrial Programs and the salaries of any other personnel of the Central Administrative Office and related payroll taxes and costs, the costs of telephone usage, and the costs of office supplies used and postage used.

5. If any state-sponsored program incurs a net loss for 2 consecutive fiscal years, the Director shall appear before the ~~Joint Interim Standing Committee on the Judiciary~~ **Interim Finance Committee** to explain the reasons for the net loss and provide a plan for the generation of a profit in the next fiscal year. If the program does not generate a profit in the third fiscal year, the Director shall take appropriate steps to resolve the issue.

6. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the Director may, with the approval of the Board:



(a) Lease spaces and facilities within any institution of the Department to private employers to be used for the vocational training and employment of offenders.

(b) Grant to reliable offenders the privilege of leaving institutions or facilities of the Department at certain times for the purpose of vocational training or employment.

7. Before entering into any contract with a private employer for the employment of offenders pursuant to subsection 1, the Director shall obtain from the private employer:

(a) A personal guarantee to secure an amount fixed by the Director of:

(1) For a contract that does not relate to construction, not less than 25 percent of the prorated annual amount of the contract but not more than 100 percent of the prorated annual amount of the contract, a surety bond made payable to the State of Nevada in an amount fixed by the Director of not less than 25 percent of the prorated annual amount of the contract but not more than 100 percent of the prorated annual amount of the contract and conditioned upon the faithful performance of the contract in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract; or

(2) For a contract that relates to construction, not less than 100 percent of the prorated annual amount of the contract, a surety bond made payable to the State of Nevada in an amount fixed by the Director of not less than 100 percent of the prorated annual amount of the contract and conditioned upon the faithful performance of the contract in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract, ➤ or a security agreement to secure any debt, obligation or other liability of the private employer under the contract, including, without limitation, lease payments, wages earned by offenders and compensation earned by personnel of the Department. The Director shall appear before the ~~Joint Interim Standing Committee on the Judiciary~~ *Interim Finance Committee* to explain the reasons for the amount fixed by the Director for any personal guarantee or surety bond.

(b) A detailed written analysis on the estimated impact of the contract on private industry in this State. The written analysis must include, without limitation:

(1) The number of private companies in this State currently providing the types of products and services offered in the proposed contract.

(2) The number of residents of this State currently employed by such private companies.



(3) The number of offenders that would be employed under the contract.

(4) The skills that the offenders would acquire under the contract.

8. The provisions of this chapter do not create a right on behalf of the offender to employment or to receive the federal or state minimum wage for any employment and do not establish a basis for any cause of action against the State or its officers or employees for employment of an offender or for payment of the federal or state minimum wage to an offender.

9. As used in this section, “state-sponsored program” means a program for the vocational training or employment of offenders which does not include a contract of employment with a private employer.

Sec. 32. NRS 209.4818 is hereby amended to read as follows:

209.4818 1. The ~~{Joint Interim Standing Committee on the Judiciary}~~ *Interim Finance Committee* shall:

(a) Be informed on issues and developments relating to industrial programs for correctional institutions;

(b) ~~{Submit a semiannual report to the Interim Finance Committee before July 1 and December 1 of each year on the status of current and proposed industrial programs for correctional institutions;~~

~~—(e)}~~ Report to the Legislature on any ~~{other}~~ matter relating to industrial programs for correctional institutions that it deems appropriate;

~~{(d)}~~ (c) Recommend three persons to the Director for appointment as the Deputy Director for Industrial Programs whenever a vacancy exists;

~~{(e)}~~ (d) Before any new industrial program is established by the Director, review the proposed program for compliance with the requirements of subsections 2, 3, 4 and 7 of NRS 209.461 and submit to the Director its recommendations concerning the proposed program; and

~~{(f)}~~ (e) Review each state-sponsored industry program established pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 209.461 to determine whether the program is operating profitably. If the Committee determines that a program has incurred a net loss in 3 consecutive fiscal years, the Committee shall report its finding to the Director with a recommendation regarding whether the program should be continued or terminated. If the Director does not accept the recommendation of the Committee, the Director shall submit a



written report to the Committee setting forth his or her reasons for rejecting the recommendation.

2. Upon the request of the ~~Joint Interim Standing Committee on the Judiciary,~~ *Interim Finance Committee*, the Director and the Deputy Director for Industrial Programs shall provide to the Committee any information that the Committee determines is relevant to the performance of the duties of the Committee.

3. As used in this section, “state-sponsored industry program” means a program for the vocational training or employment of offenders which does not include a contract of employment with a private employer.

Sec. 33. Chapter 232B of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

As used in this section and NRS 232B.210 to 232B.250, inclusive, unless the context otherwise requires, “Sunset Committee” or “Committee” means the Sunset Committee of the Legislature created by NRS 232B.210.

Sec. 34. NRS 232B.210 is hereby amended to read as follows:

232B.210 1. The Sunset ~~Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission, consisting of nine members,~~ *Committee of the Legislature* is hereby created.

2. The ~~membership of the Sunset Subcommittee~~ *Committee* consists of ~~:~~

~~—(a) Three voting members of the Legislature appointed by the Majority Leader of the Senate, at least one of whom must be a member of the minority political party;~~

~~—(b) Three voting members of the Legislature appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly, at least one of whom must be a member of the minority political party; and~~

~~—(c) Three nonvoting members of the general public appointed by the Chair of the Legislative Commission from among the names of nominees submitted by the Governor pursuant to subsection 2.~~

~~2. The Governor shall, at least 30 days before the beginning of the term of any member appointed pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection 1, or within 30 days after such a position on the Sunset Subcommittee becomes vacant, submit to the Legislative Commission the names of at least three persons qualified for membership on the Sunset Subcommittee. The Chair of the Legislative Commission shall appoint a new member or fill the vacancy from the list, or request a new list. The Chair of the Legislative Commission may appoint any qualified person who is a resident of this State to a position described in paragraph (c) of subsection 1.~~



~~—3. Each member of the Sunset Subcommittee serves at the pleasure of the appointing authority.~~

~~—4. The voting members of the Sunset Subcommittee shall elect a Chair from one House of the Legislature and a Vice Chair from the other House. Each Chair and Vice Chair holds office for a term of 2 years commencing on July 1 of each odd numbered year. If a vacancy occurs in the office of Chair or Vice Chair, the vacancy must be filled in the same manner as the original selection for the remainder of the unexpired term.~~

~~—5. The membership of any member of the Sunset Subcommittee who is a Legislator and who is not a candidate for reelection or who is defeated for reelection terminates on the day next after the general election.~~

~~—6. A vacancy on the Sunset Subcommittee must be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.~~

~~—7. The Sunset Subcommittee shall meet at the times and places specified by a call of the Chair. Four voting members of the Sunset Subcommittee constitute a quorum, and a quorum may exercise any power or authority conferred on the Sunset Subcommittee.~~

~~—8. For each day or portion of a day during which a member of the Sunset Subcommittee who is a Legislator attends a meeting of the Sunset Subcommittee or is otherwise engaged in the business of the Sunset Subcommittee, except during a regular or special session of the Legislature, the Legislator is entitled to receive the:~~

~~—(a) Compensation provided for a majority of the members of the Legislature during the first 60 days of the preceding regular session;~~

~~—(b) Per diem allowance provided for state officers generally; and~~

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

~~→ The compensation, per diem allowances and travel expenses of the members of the Sunset Subcommittee who are Legislators must be paid from the Legislative Fund.~~

~~—9. While engaged in the business of the Sunset Subcommittee, the members of the Subcommittee who are not Legislators are entitled to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally.]~~ *eight regular members and five alternate members who are appointed in the same manner as the members of a Joint Interim Standing Committee pursuant to NRS 218E.320.*

3. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the provisions of NRS 218E.320, 218E.325 and 218E.330:

(a) Apply to the Committee in the same manner as a Joint Interim Standing Committee, including, without limitation,



providing the Committee with any powers, privileges and immunities set forth in those provisions; and

(b) Control the Committee's formation, organization and operations, including, without limitation, its membership, officers, management, government, budget, compensation, allowances, expenses, meetings and proceedings, but the Committee shall not be deemed a Joint Interim Standing Committee for the purposes of the number of requests that it may submit for the drafting of legislative measures pursuant to NRS 218D.160.

4. If there is a conflict between the provisions of NRS 218E.320, 218E.325 and 218E.330 and the provisions of a specific statute that applies to the Committee, the provisions of the specific statute control.

Sec. 35. NRS 232B.220 is hereby amended to read as follows:

232B.220 1. The Sunset ~~[Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission]~~ **Committee** shall conduct a review of each board and commission in this State which is not provided for in the Nevada Constitution or established by an executive order of the Governor to determine whether the board or commission should be terminated, modified, consolidated with another board or commission or continued. Such a review must include, without limitation:

(a) An evaluation of the major policies and programs of the board or commission, including, without limitation, an examination of other programs or services offered in this State to determine if any other provided programs or services duplicate those offered by the board or commission;

(b) Any recommendations for improvements in the policies and programs offered by the board or commission; and

(c) A determination of whether any statutory tax exemptions, abatements or money set aside to be provided to the board or commission should be terminated, modified or continued.

2. The ~~[Sunset Subcommittee]~~ **Committee** shall review not less than 10 boards and commissions specified in subsection 1 *during* each legislative interim.

3. Any action taken by the ~~[Sunset Subcommittee]~~ **Committee** concerning a board or commission pursuant to NRS 232B.210 to 232B.250, inclusive, *and section 33 of this act* is in addition or supplemental to any action taken by the Legislative Commission pursuant to NRS 232B.010 to 232B.100, inclusive.

Sec. 36. NRS 232B.230 is hereby amended to read as follows:

232B.230 1. Each board and commission subject to review by the Sunset ~~[Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission]~~ **Committee** shall submit information to ~~[the Sunset Subcommittee]~~ *it*



on a form prescribed by the ~~{Sunset Subcommittee}~~ **Committee**. The information must include, without limitation:

- (a) The name of the board or commission;
- (b) The name of each member of the board or commission;
- (c) The address of the Internet website established and maintained by the board or commission, if any;
- (d) The name and contact information of the executive director of the board or commission, if any;
- (e) A list of the members of the staff of the board or commission;
- (f) The authority by which the board or commission was created;
- (g) The governing structure of the board or commission, including, without limitation, information concerning the method, terms, qualifications and conditions of appointment and removal of the members of the board or commission;
- (h) The duties of the board or commission;
- (i) The operating budget of the board or commission;
- (j) A statement setting forth the income and expenses of the board or commission for at least 3 years immediately preceding the date on which the board or commission submits the form required by this subsection, including the balances of any fund or account maintained by or on behalf of the board or commission;
- (k) The most recent audit conducted of the board or commission, if any;
- (l) The dates of the immediately preceding six meetings held by the board or commission;
- (m) A statement of the objectives and programs of the board or commission;
- (n) A conclusion concerning the effectiveness of the objectives and programs of the board or commission;
- (o) Any recommendations for statutory changes which are necessary for the board or commission to carry out its objectives and programs; and
- (p) Such other information as the ~~{Sunset Subcommittee}~~ **Committee** may require.

2. The ~~{Sunset Subcommittee}~~ **Committee** may direct the Legislative Counsel Bureau to assist in its research, investigations, review and analysis of the information submitted by each board and commission pursuant to subsection 1.

Sec. 37. NRS 232B.235 is hereby amended to read as follows:

232B.235 1. At any time during a legislative interim, if the Sunset ~~{Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission}~~ **Committee**



determines that a board or commission subject to *its* review ~~[by the Sunset Subcommittee]~~ should be audited, the ~~[Sunset Subcommittee]~~ *Committee* shall make such a recommendation to the Legislative Commission. The ~~[Sunset Subcommittee]~~ *Committee* shall include with its recommendation a summary of the justification for the recommendation.

2. After receiving a recommendation from the ~~[Sunset Subcommittee]~~ *Committee* pursuant to subsection 1, the Legislative Commission shall evaluate the recommendation and determine whether to direct the Legislative Auditor to perform an audit of the board or commission pursuant to NRS 218G.120. In making its determination, the Legislative Commission shall consider the current workload of the Audit Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau.

3. The Legislative Auditor shall not perform more than four audits directed by the Legislative Commission pursuant to this section during a legislative interim.

Sec. 38. NRS 232B.237 is hereby amended to read as follows:

232B.237 1. The Sunset ~~[Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission]~~ *Committee* shall conduct a review of each professional or occupational licensing board and regulatory body in this State to determine whether the restrictions on the criminal history of an applicant for an occupational or professional license are appropriate.

2. Each professional or occupational licensing board and regulatory body subject to review pursuant to subsection 1 must submit information to the ~~[Sunset Subcommittee]~~ *Committee* on a form prescribed by the ~~[Sunset Subcommittee]~~ *Committee*. The information must include, without limitation:

(a) The number of petitions submitted to a professional or occupational licensing board and regulatory body pursuant to NRS 1.545, 240A.275, 244.33504, 361.2212, 379.00785, ~~[433.616,]~~ 435.3395, 445B.7776, 449.03008, 449.4316, 450B.169, 455C.125, 457.1825, 458.0258, 477.2233, 482.163, 487.006, 489.298, 490.195, 502.375, 503.5831, 504.391, 505.013, 534.1405, 544.147, 555.305, 557.225, 576.037, 581.1033, 582.035, 584.2165, 587.014, 599A.057, 599B.127, 618.357, 622.085, 687B.630 and 706.4626;

(b) The number of determinations of disqualification made by the professional or occupational licensing board and regulatory body pursuant to NRS 1.545, 240A.275, 244.33504, 361.2212, 379.00785, ~~[433.616,]~~ 435.3395, 445B.7776, 449.03008, 449.4316, 450B.169, 455C.125, 457.1825, 458.0258, 477.2233, 482.163, 487.006, 489.298, 490.195, 502.375, 503.5831, 504.391, 505.013,



534.1405, 544.147, 555.305, 557.225, 576.037, 581.1033, 582.035, 584.2165, 587.014, 599A.057, 599B.127, 618.357, 622.085, 687B.630 and 706.4626; and

(c) The reasons for such determinations of disqualification.

3. As used in this section, “regulatory body” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 622.060.

Sec. 39. NRS 232B.240 is hereby amended to read as follows:

232B.240 1. The Sunset ~~[Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission]~~ *Committee* shall conduct public hearings for the purpose of obtaining comments on, and may require the Legislative Counsel Bureau to submit reports on, the need for the termination, modification, consolidation or continued operation of a board or commission.

2. The ~~[Sunset Subcommittee]~~ *Committee* shall consider any report submitted to it by the Legislative Counsel Bureau.

3. *The Committee may exercise any of the investigative powers set forth in NRS 218E.105 to 218E.140, inclusive.*

4. A board or commission has the burden of proving that there is a public need for its continued existence.

Sec. 40. NRS 232B.250 is hereby amended to read as follows:

232B.250 1. If the Sunset ~~[Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission]~~ *Committee* determines to recommend the termination of a board or commission, its recommendation must include suggestions for appropriate direct legislative action, if any, which is made necessary or desirable by the termination of the board or commission.

2. If the ~~[Sunset Subcommittee]~~ *Committee* determines to recommend the consolidation, modification or continuation of a board or commission, its recommendation must include suggestions for appropriate direct legislative action, if any, which would make the operation of the board or commission or its successor more efficient or effective.

3. If the ~~[Sunset Subcommittee]~~ *Committee* determines to recommend the modification, continuation or removal of the restrictions on the criminal history of an applicant for an occupational or professional license, its recommendation must include suggestions for appropriate direct legislative action, if any, which is made necessary or desirable by any modification, continuation or removal of such restrictions.

4. ~~[On or before June 30, 2012, the Sunset Subcommittee shall make all of its initial recommendations pursuant to this section, if any. The Sunset Subcommittee]~~ *The Committee* shall make all ~~[subsequent]~~ recommendations pursuant to this section, if any, on or



before ~~[June 30]~~ **August 31** of each even-numbered year . ~~[Occurring thereafter.]~~

Sec. 41. NRS 233B.063 is hereby amended to read as follows:

233B.063 1. An agency that intends to adopt, amend or repeal a permanent regulation must deliver to the Legislative Counsel a copy of the proposed regulation. The Legislative Counsel shall examine and if appropriate revise the language submitted so that it is clear, concise and suitable for incorporation in the Nevada Administrative Code, but shall not alter the meaning or effect without the consent of the agency.

2. Unless the proposed regulation is submitted to the Legislative Counsel between July 1 of an even-numbered year and July 1 of the succeeding odd-numbered year, the Legislative Counsel shall deliver the approved or revised text of the regulation within 30 days after it is submitted to the Legislative Counsel. If the proposed or revised text of a regulation is changed before adoption, the agency shall submit the changed text to the Legislative Counsel, who shall examine and revise it if appropriate pursuant to the standards of subsection 1. Unless it is submitted between July 1 of an even-numbered year and July 1 of the succeeding odd-numbered year, the Legislative Counsel shall return it with any appropriate revisions within 30 days. ~~[If the agency is a licensing board as defined in NRS 439B.225 and the proposed regulation relates to standards for the issuance or renewal of licenses, permits or certificates of registration issued to a person or facility regulated by the agency, the Legislative Counsel shall also deliver one copy of the approved or revised text of the regulation to the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Health and Human Services.]~~

3. An agency may adopt a temporary regulation between August 1 of an even-numbered year and July 1 of the succeeding odd-numbered year without following the procedure required by this section and NRS 233B.064, but any such regulation expires by limitation on November 1 of the odd-numbered year. A substantively identical permanent regulation may be subsequently adopted.

4. An agency may amend or suspend a permanent regulation between August 1 of an even-numbered year and July 1 of the succeeding odd-numbered year by adopting a temporary regulation in the same manner and subject to the same provisions as prescribed in subsection 3.

Sec. 42. NRS 233B.070 is hereby amended to read as follows:

233B.070 1. A permanent regulation becomes effective when the Legislative Counsel files with the Secretary of State the original



of the final draft or revision of a regulation, except as otherwise provided in NRS 293.247 or where a later date is specified in the regulation.

2. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 233B.0633, an agency that has adopted a temporary regulation may not file the temporary regulation with the Secretary of State until 35 days after the date on which the temporary regulation was adopted by the agency. A temporary regulation becomes effective when the agency files with the Secretary of State the original of the final draft or revision of the regulation, together with the informational statement prepared pursuant to NRS 233B.066. The agency shall also file a copy of the temporary regulation with the Legislative Counsel, together with the informational statement prepared pursuant to NRS 233B.066.

3. An emergency regulation becomes effective when the agency files with the Secretary of State the original of the final draft or revision of an emergency regulation, together with the informational statement prepared pursuant to NRS 233B.066. The agency shall also file a copy of the emergency regulation with the Legislative Counsel, together with the informational statement prepared pursuant to NRS 233B.066.

4. The Secretary of State shall maintain the original of the final draft or revision of each regulation in a permanent file to be used only for the preparation of official copies.

5. The Secretary of State shall file, with the original of each agency's rules of practice, the current statement of the agency concerning the date and results of its most recent review of those rules.

6. Immediately after each permanent or temporary regulation is filed, the agency shall deliver one copy of the final draft or revision, bearing the stamp of the Secretary of State indicating that it has been filed, including material adopted by reference which is not already filed with the State Library, Archives and Public Records Administrator, to the State Library, Archives and Public Records Administrator for use by the public. ~~If the agency is a licensing board as defined in NRS 439B.225 and it has adopted a permanent regulation relating to standards for the issuance or renewal of licenses, permits or certificates of registration issued to a person or facility regulated by the agency, the agency shall also deliver one copy of the regulation, bearing the stamp of the Secretary of State, to the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Health and Human Services within 10 days after the regulation is filed with the Secretary of State.~~



7. Each agency shall furnish a copy of all or part of that part of the Nevada Administrative Code which contains its regulations, to any person who requests a copy, and may charge a reasonable fee for the copy based on the cost of reproduction if it does not have money appropriated or authorized for that purpose.

8. An agency which publishes any regulations included in the Nevada Administrative Code shall use the exact text of the regulation as it appears in the Nevada Administrative Code, including the leadlines and numbers of the sections. Any other material which an agency includes in a publication with its regulations must be presented in a form which clearly distinguishes that material from the regulations.

Sec. 43. NRS 321.7355 is hereby amended to read as follows:

321.7355 1. The State Land Use Planning Agency may prepare, in cooperation with appropriate federal and state agencies and local governments throughout the State, plans or statements of policy concerning the administration of lands in the State of Nevada that are under federal management. The plans or statements of policy must not include matters concerning zoning or the division of land and must be consistent with local plans and regulations concerning the use of private property.

2. The State Land Use Planning Agency shall:

(a) Encourage public comment upon the various matters treated in a proposed plan or statement of policy throughout its preparation and incorporate such comments into the proposed plan or statement of policy as are appropriate;

(b) Submit its work on a plan or statement of policy periodically for review and comment by the Land Use Planning Advisory Council and ~~the Subcommittee on Public Lands of~~ the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources ~~and~~ *and Public Lands*; and

(c) Provide written responses to written comments received from a county or city upon the various matters treated in a proposed plan or statement of policy.

3. Whenever the State Land Use Planning Agency prepares plans or statements of policy pursuant to subsection 1 and submits those plans or statements of policy to the Governor, the Legislature, ~~the Subcommittee on Public Lands of~~ the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources *and Public Lands* or an agency of the Federal Government, the State Land Use Planning Agency shall include with each plan or statement of policy the comments and recommendations of:

(a) The Land Use Planning Advisory Council; and



(b) The ~~[Subcommittee on Public Lands of the]~~ Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources ~~[.]~~ *and Public Lands.*

4. A plan or statement of policy must be approved by the governing bodies of the county and cities affected by it before it is put into effect.

Sec. 44. NRS 332.215 is hereby amended to read as follows:

332.215 1. Each county of this state whose population is 100,000 or more, must be a member of the Commission to Study Governmental Purchasing which is composed of all purchasing agents of the local governments within those counties. Each county whose population is less than 100,000 may participate as a voting member of the Commission. The members shall select a Chair from among their number.

2. The Commission shall meet no less than quarterly or at the call of the Chair to study practices in governmental purchasing and laws relating thereto and shall make recommendations with respect to those laws to the next regular session of the Legislature.

3. On or before July 1 of each even-numbered year, the Commission shall submit a written report to the Joint Interim Standing Committee on ~~[Legislative Operations and Elections]~~ *Government Affairs* that includes any recommendations of the Commission for legislation relating to governmental purchasing.

Sec. 45. NRS 388.887 is hereby amended to read as follows:

388.887 1. The State Board shall create a subcommittee to review and make recommendations on the manner in which to provide age-appropriate and historically accurate instruction about the Holocaust and other genocides, such as the Armenian, Cambodian, Darfur, Guatemalan and Rwandan genocides, in social studies and language arts courses of study.

2. The review conducted and any recommendations made by the subcommittee pursuant to this section must include, without limitation:

(a) The manner in which to modify the curricula of relevant courses in social studies and language arts to include the instruction described in this section;

(b) An inventory of available classroom resources for educators to meet the requirements of this section;

(c) The professional development that may be necessary or appropriate for a teacher who provides the instruction described in this section; and

(d) Consideration of any similar instruction provided in another state or school district.



3. The subcommittee shall link current standards with community resources that may assist in the implementation of the instruction described in subsection 1. The subcommittee shall review the manner in which the current standards support comprehensive education regarding the Holocaust and other genocides, such as the Armenian, Cambodian, Darfur, Guatemalan and Rwandan genocides, including, without limitation, by:

(a) Preparing pupils to confront the immorality of the Holocaust, other genocides, such as the Armenian, Cambodian, Darfur, Guatemalan and Rwandan genocides, and other acts of mass violence and to reflect on the causes of related historical events;

(b) Addressing the breadth of the history of the Holocaust, including, without limitation, the dictatorship of the Third Reich, the system of concentration camps, the persecution of both Jewish and non-Jewish people, the resistance to the Third Reich and the Holocaust by both Jewish and non-Jewish people and the various trials that occurred after the end of World War II;

(c) Developing the respect of pupils for cultural diversity and helping pupils to gain insight into the importance of international human rights for all people;

(d) Promoting the understanding of pupils of how the Holocaust contributed to the need for the term “genocide” and led to international legislation that recognized genocide as a crime;

(e) Communicating the impact of personal responsibility, civic engagement and societal responsiveness;

(f) Stimulating the reflection of pupils on the role and responsibility of citizens in democratic societies to combat misinformation, indifference and discrimination through the development of critical thinking skills and through tools of resistance such as protest, reform and celebration;

(g) Providing pupils with opportunities to contextualize and analyze patterns of human behavior by persons and groups who belong in one or more categories, including, without limitation, perpetrator, collaborator, bystander, victim and rescuer;

(h) Enabling pupils to understand the ramifications of prejudice, racism and stereotyping;

(i) Preserving the memories of survivors of genocide and providing opportunities for pupils to discuss and honor the cultural legacies of survivors;

(j) Providing pupils with a foundation for examining the history of discrimination in this State;

(k) Including in curricula the use of personal narratives and multimedia primary source materials, which may include, without



limitation, video testimony, photographs, artwork, diary entries, letters, government documents, maps and poems; and

(l) Exploring the various mechanisms of transitional and restorative justice that help humanity move forward in the aftermath of genocide.

4. The subcommittee must be composed of the Superintendent of Public Instruction, or his or her designee, and the following members appointed by the Superintendent:

(a) Three members representing the Governor’s Advisory Council on Education Relating to the Holocaust created by NRS 233G.020;

(b) Three members representing nonprofit organizations that have developed curricula regarding the Holocaust for use in public schools;

(c) At least one member representing a school district in which 60,000 or more pupils are enrolled;

(d) At least one member representing a school district in which fewer than 60,000 pupils are enrolled;

(e) At least one member representing a charter school located in this State;

(f) At least one member representing nonprofit organizations that have developed curricula for use in public schools regarding the Armenian genocide; and

(g) At least one member representing nonprofit organizations that have developed curricula for use in public schools regarding genocides other than the Holocaust and the Armenian genocide.

5. On or before ~~October~~ **July** 1 of each even-numbered year, the State Board shall report its findings and any recommendations to the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Education, including, without limitation, any recommendations made by the subcommittee pursuant to subsection 1, as well as any actions the State Board has taken or intends to take to include the instruction in the relevant courses pursuant to subsection 2.

6. On or before ~~February 1~~ **August 31** of each ~~odd-numbered~~ **even-numbered** year, the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Education shall consider the report submitted by the State Board and prepare and submit a written report to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the Legislature concerning the Committee’s consideration of the matters described in this section and any recommendations for legislation to ensure the instruction described in this section is included in the curricula for the relevant courses.

7. As used in this section:



(a) “Genocide” means any of the following acts committed with intent to destroy, in whole or in part, a national, ethnic, racial or religious group and includes, without limitation, genocides and other acts of mass atrocities identified by the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum:

- (1) Killing members of the group;
- (2) Causing serious bodily or mental harm to members of the group;
- (3) Deliberately inflicting on the group conditions of life calculated to bring about its physical destruction in whole or in part;
- (4) Imposing measures intended to prevent births within the group; and
- (5) Forcibly transferring children of the group to another group.

(b) “Holocaust” means the systematic, bureaucratic, state-sponsored persecution and murder of approximately 6,000,000 Jewish persons and 5,000,000 other persons by the Nazi regime and its collaborators.

Sec. 46. NRS 391.494 is hereby amended to read as follows:

391.494 1. Each member of the Task Force must:

(a) Be a licensed teacher with at least 5 consecutive years of experience teaching in a public school in this State;

(b) Be currently employed as a teacher and actively teaching in a public school in this State, and remain employed as a teacher in a public school in this State for the duration of the member’s term; and

(c) Not be currently serving on any other education-related board, commission, council, task force or similar governmental entity.

2. On or before December 1, 2019, the Department shall prescribe a uniform application for a teacher to use to apply to serve on the Task Force.

3. A teacher who wishes to serve on the Task Force must submit an application prescribed pursuant to subsection 2 to the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Education on or before ~~January 15~~ *December 1* of an ~~even-numbered~~ *odd-numbered* year. On or before February 1 of each even-numbered year, the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Education shall select one or more teachers, as applicable, to serve as a member of the Task Force.

Sec. 47. NRS 449.242 is hereby amended to read as follows:

449.242 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, each hospital located in a county whose population is 100,000 or more and which is licensed to have more than 70 beds shall



establish a staffing committee to develop a written policy as required pursuant to NRS 449.2423 and a documented staffing plan as required pursuant to NRS 449.2421. Each staffing committee established pursuant to this subsection must consist of:

(a) Not less than one-half of the total regular members of the staffing committee from the licensed nursing staff and certified nursing assistants who are providing direct patient care at the hospital. The members described in this paragraph must consist of:

(1) One member representing each unit of the hospital who is a licensed nurse who provides direct patient care on that unit, elected by the licensed nursing staff who provide direct patient care on the unit that the member will represent.

(2) One member representing each unit of the hospital who is a certified nursing assistant who provides direct patient care on that unit, elected by the certified nursing assistants who provide direct patient care on the unit that the member will represent.

(b) Not less than one-half of the total regular members of the staffing committee appointed by the administration of the hospital.

(c) One alternate member representing each unit of the hospital who is a licensed nurse or certified nursing assistant who provides direct patient care on that unit, elected by the licensed nursing staff and certified nursing assistants who provide direct patient care on the unit that the member represents.

2. Each time a new staffing committee is formed pursuant to subsection 1, the administration of the hospital shall hold an election to select the members described in paragraphs (a) and (c) of subsection 1. Each licensed nurse and certified staffing assistant who provides direct patient care at the hospital must be allowed at least 3 days to vote for:

(a) The regular member described in paragraph (a) of subsection 1 who will represent his or her unit and profession; and

(b) The alternate member described in paragraph (c) of subsection 1 who will represent his or her unit.

3. If a vacancy occurs in a position on a staffing committee described in paragraph (a) or (c) of subsection 1, a new regular or alternate member, as applicable, must be elected in the same manner as his or her predecessor.

4. If a staffing committee is established for a health care facility described in subsection 1 through collective bargaining with an employee organization representing the licensed nursing staff and certified nursing assistants of the health care facility:

(a) The health care facility is not required to form a staffing committee pursuant to that subsection; and



(b) The staffing committee established pursuant to the collective bargaining agreement shall be deemed to be the staffing committee established for the health care facility pursuant to subsection 1.

5. In developing the written policy and the staffing plan, the staffing committee shall consider, without limitation, the information received pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 5 of NRS 449.2423 regarding requests to be relieved of a work assignment, refusals of a work assignment and objections to a work assignment.

6. The staffing committee of a hospital shall meet at least quarterly.

~~[7. Each hospital that is required to establish a staffing committee pursuant to this section shall prepare a written report concerning the establishment of the staffing committee, the activities and progress of the staffing committee and a determination of the efficacy of the staffing committee. The hospital shall submit the report on or before December 31 of each:~~

~~—(a) Even numbered year to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmission to the next regular session of the Legislature.~~

~~—(b) Odd numbered year to the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Health and Human Services.]~~

Sec. 47.5. NRS 459.0094 is hereby amended to read as follows:

459.0094 The Executive Director shall:

1. Appoint, with the consent of the Commission, an Administrator of each Division of the Agency.

2. Advise the Commission on matters relating to the potential disposal of radioactive waste in this State.

3. Evaluate the potentially adverse effects of a facility for the disposal of radioactive waste in this State.

4. Consult frequently with local governments and state agencies that may be affected by a facility for the disposal of radioactive waste and appropriate legislative committees.

5. Assist local governments in their dealings with the Department of Energy and its contractors on matters relating to radioactive waste.

6. Carry out the duties imposed on the State by 42 U.S.C. §§ 10101 to 10226, inclusive, as those sections existed on July 1, 1995.

7. Cooperate with any governmental agency or other person to carry out the provisions of NRS 459.009 to 459.0098, inclusive.

8. Provide semiannual written reports to the Joint Interim Standing Committees on Government Affairs, Growth and



Infrastructure, Health and Human Services and Natural Resources
and Public Lands. The reports must contain:

(a) A summary of the status of the activities undertaken by the Agency since the previous report;

(b) A description of all contracts the Agency has with natural persons or organizations, including, but not limited to, the name of the recipient of each contract, the amount of the contract, the duties to be performed under the contract, the manner in which the contract assists the Agency in achieving its goals and responsibilities and the status of the performance of the terms of the contract;

(c) The status of any litigation relating to the goals and responsibilities of the Agency to which the State of Nevada is a party; and

(d) Any other information requested by any of the Committees.

Sec. 48. 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. 49. (Deleted by amendment.)

Sec. 50. 1. If the provisions of any other statute or any other act or resolution passed by the Legislature conflict with the provisions of this act because they assign a power, duty or legislative study or investigation to a legislative committee, subcommittee or other body abolished by the provisions of this act or because they require the submission of a report, document or other information to a legislative committee, subcommittee or other body abolished by the provisions of this act:

(a) The conflicting provisions of the other statute, act or resolution are superseded and abrogated by the provisions of this act; and

(b) The power, duty or legislative study or investigation shall be deemed assigned to, or the report, document or other information shall be deemed required to be submitted to, the appropriate Joint Interim Standing Committee created by NRS 218E.320 which has jurisdiction over the subject matter, except that if the subject matter falls within the jurisdiction of more than one Joint Interim Standing Committee, the Legislative Commission shall decide and resolve the matter in a manner that is consistent with the intent of the Legislature as determined by the Legislative Commission.

2. The Legislative Counsel shall, in preparing the reprint and supplements to the Nevada Revised Statutes and supplements to the Nevada Administrative Code:

(a) Make any revisions that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this section; and



(b) Change any references to a legislative committee, subcommittee or other body which has been abolished by the provisions of this act, or whose name has been changed or whose responsibilities have been transferred by the provisions of this act, so that such references refer to the appropriate legislative committee, subcommittee or other body.

3. As used in this section, “legislative study or investigation” includes, without limitation:

(a) Any interim legislative study or investigation; or

(b) Any legislative study or investigation assigned to a statutory legislative committee, subcommittee or other body.

Sec. 51. NRS 218E.505, 218E.510, 218E.515, 218E.560, 218E.755 and 439B.225 are hereby repealed.

Sec. 52. 1. This section and sections 1 to 28, inclusive, and 30 to 51, inclusive, of this act become effective upon passage and approval.

2. Section 29 of this act becomes effective on the date that the Director of the Department of Public Safety determines that there is sufficient funding to carry out the provisions of NRS 193.309.

