

SENATE BILL NO. 62—COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(ON BEHALF OF THE NEVADA SUPREME COURT)

PREFILED NOVEMBER 16, 2022

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to the Commission on Judicial Discipline. (BDR 1-437)

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

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

AN ACT relating to the Commission on Judicial Discipline; providing that an appointing authority may not appoint a person to serve as a member of the Commission if the person has already served at least two consecutive full terms; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Under existing law, the Commission on Judicial Discipline has exclusive jurisdiction over the public censure, removal, involuntary retirement and other discipline of judges. (NRS 1.440) The Commission consists of seven members who serve for a term of 4 years. The Governor appoints three members of the Commission, and the Nevada Supreme Court and Board of Governors of the State Bar of Nevada each appoint two members. (Nev. Const. Art. 6, § 21)

Section 1 of this bill provides that an appointing authority may not appoint a person to serve as a member of the Commission if the person has already served at least two consecutive full terms. **Section 2** of this bill provides that the amendatory provisions of this bill apply to an appointment that is made by an appointing authority on or after October 1, 2023, the effective date of this bill.



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

Section 1. NRS 1.445 is hereby amended to read as follows:

1.445 1. *An appointing authority may not appoint a person to serve as a member of the Commission if the person has already served at least two consecutive full terms.*

2. Each appointing authority shall appoint for each position for which the authority makes an appointment to the Commission one or more alternate members. The Governor shall not appoint more than two alternate members of the same political party. An alternate member must not be a member of the Commission on Judicial Selection.

~~2.~~ 3. An alternate member shall serve:

(a) When the appointed member is disqualified or unable to serve; or

(b) When a vacancy exists.

Sec. 2. The amendatory provisions of this act apply to an appointment to the Commission on Judicial Discipline that is made by an appointing authority on or after October 1, 2023.

