

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 4—SENATORS CANNIZZARO, SEEVERS
GANSERT; BUCK, DALY, DONATE, DONDERO LOOP,
FLORES, GOICOECHEA, HAMMOND, HANSEN, D. HARRIS,
KRASNER, LANGE, NEAL, NGUYEN, OHRENSCHALL,
PAZINA, SCHEIBLE, SPEARMAN, STONE AND TITUS

MAY 11, 2023

Read and Adopted

SUMMARY—Inducts Richard Bryan into the Senate Hall of Fame.
(BDR R-1196)

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

SENATE RESOLUTION—Inducting Richard Bryan into the Senate
Hall of Fame.

1 WHEREAS, The Senate of the Legislature of the State of Nevada
2 has established a Senate Hall of Fame whose members are selected
3 by leadership from those past Senators who have served with
4 distinction and who have made exemplary contributions to the State
5 of Nevada; and

6 WHEREAS, Richard Hudson Bryan was born in Washington,
7 D.C. but moved at a very young age with his family to Las Vegas,
8 where he graduated from Las Vegas High School; and

9 WHEREAS, Richard received his bachelor of arts degree from the
10 University of Nevada, Reno, and his bachelor of laws degree from
11 the University of California, Hastings College of the Law; and

12 WHEREAS, Richard served as a Second Lieutenant in the United
13 States Army, and became a Captain in the Army Reserve, where he
14 served in the Judge Advocate General Corps; and

15 WHEREAS, In 1966, Richard was appointed to the position of
16 Clark County Public Defender, the youngest Public Defender in the
17 nation at the time; and

18 WHEREAS, In 1968, Richard was elected to the Nevada
19 Assembly and in 1972, he was elected to the Nevada Senate, serving
20 4 years in the Assembly and 6 years in the Senate; and

21 WHEREAS, During his 10 years as a Legislator, Richard served
22 as the Chair of the Senate Education and Senate Taxation



1 Committees, and helped pass the Corporate Gaming Act, which
2 expanded the gaming industry in this State; and

3 WHEREAS, After completing his legislative service in 1978,
4 Richard was elected Nevada Attorney General, where he worked to
5 remove organized crime from Nevada's gaming industry; and

6 WHEREAS, In 1982, Richard was elected as the 25th Governor
7 of Nevada, where he prioritized diversifying Nevada's economy and
8 attracting new businesses to the State, and served as President of the
9 Council of State Governments; and

10 WHEREAS, Richard was elected as a United States Senator
11 where he served until 2001, and during his tenure he passed the
12 Southern Nevada Public Lands Management Act and lead the fight
13 against the Yucca Mountain nuclear waste dump; and

14 WHEREAS, Richard will be remembered for his resounding
15 integrity, support of Nevada's gaming industry, and longstanding
16 friendship with former Senator Harry Reid; now, therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, That, for
18 his many years of devoted service to the State of Nevada as a
19 member of both the Nevada Senate and Assembly, as the Nevada
20 Attorney General, the Governor of Nevada, and as a member of the
21 United States Senate, Richard Hudson Bryan is hereby inducted into
22 the Senate Hall of Fame of the Legislature of the State of Nevada;
23 and be it further

24 RESOLVED, That this resolution becomes effective upon
25 adoption.

