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## ASSEMBLY DAILY JOURNAL

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### THE ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH DAY

CARSON CITY (Monday), May 29, 2023

Assembly called to order at 12:16 p.m.

Mr. Speaker presiding.

Roll called.

All present except Assemblywoman Cohen, who was excused.

Prayer by the Chaplain Craig Swope.

Father, on this day we cannot help but think of sacrifice. The sacrifice of those who had dreams and had plans but instead, saw their dreams and plans cut short. Because of their service and sacrifice, we can dream and we can make plans.

As we approach the final days of this session, most of us will see some sacrifice, things we would like to see not happen, things we don't want to happen become reality. May we keep our perspective. May we remember, not only on this day but on all days, that there are hundreds of Nevadans who sacrificed all, and each one of us is the beneficiary of those sacrifices. We thank You for their service.

AMEN.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

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

Motion carried.

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

*Mr. Speaker:*

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which were referred Assembly Bills Nos. 15, 328, 461, 462, 512, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass.

Also, your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was rereferred Assembly Bill No. 345, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass.

Also, your Committee on Ways and Means, to which were rereferred Assembly Bills Nos. 46, 147, 239, 277, 299, 389, 399, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass, as amended.

Also, your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was rereferred Assembly Bill No. 140, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass, as amended.

Also, your Committee on Ways and Means, to which were rereferred Assembly Bills Nos. 148, 151, 257, 281, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass, as amended.

Also, your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was rereferred Senate Bill No. 35, has had the same under consideration, and begs leave to report the same back with the recommendation: Do pass, as amended.

DANIELE MONROE-MORENO, *Chair*

#### MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

SENATE CHAMBER, Carson City, May 26, 2023

*To the Honorable the Assembly:*

I have the honor to inform your honorable body that the Senate on this day passed Assembly Bills Nos. 11, 17, 44, 91, 97, 107, 120, 124, 159, 177, 183, 275, 309, 342, 350, 398.

Also, I have the honor to inform your honorable body that the Senate on this day passed Assembly Joint Resolutions Nos. 1, 5; Assembly Joint Resolution No. 1 of the 81st Session.

Also, I have the honor to inform your honorable body that the Senate amended, and on this day passed, as amended, Assembly Bill No. 32, Amendment No. 765; Assembly Bill No. 33, Amendment No. 687; Assembly Bill No. 51, Amendment No. 713; Assembly Bill No. 55, Amendment No. 565; Assembly Bill No. 74, Amendments Nos. 558, 746; Assembly Bill No. 75, Amendment No. 728; Assembly Bill No. 143, Amendment No. 688; Assembly Bill No. 175, Amendments Nos. 585, 789; Assembly Bill No. 191, Amendment No. 616; Assembly Bill No. 220, Amendments Nos. 712, 735; Assembly Bill No. 250, Amendment No. 644; Assembly Bill No. 334, Amendments Nos. 570, 740; Assembly Bill No. 356, Amendment No. 608; Assembly Bill No. 405, Amendment No. 564; Assembly Bill No. 408, Amendments Nos. 655, 722; Assembly Bill No. 423, Amendments Nos. 560, 674; Assembly Bill No. 432, Amendments Nos. 572, 779; Assembly Bill No. 444, Amendments Nos. 676, 730; Assembly Bill No. 465, Amendment No. 747, and respectfully requests your honorable body to concur in said amendments.

Also, I have the honor to inform your honorable body that the Senate on this day adopted Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 5.

Also, I have the honor to inform your honorable body that the Senate on this day passed Senate Bill No. 387.

Also, I have the honor to inform your honorable body that the Senate on this day passed, as amended, Senate Bill No. 274.

SHERRY L. RODRIGUEZ  
*Assistant Secretary of the Senate*

SENATE CHAMBER, Carson City, May 27, 2023

*To the Honorable the Assembly:*

I have the honor to inform your honorable body that the Senate on this day passed, as amended, Senate Bills Nos. 36, 45, 54, 71, 145, 216, 226, 266, 307, 389.

Also, I have the honor to inform your honorable body that the Senate on this day concurred in Assembly Amendment No. 646 to Senate Bill No. 109; Assembly Amendment No. 647 to Senate Bill No. 146; Assembly Amendment No. 574 to Senate Bill No. 172; Assembly Amendment No. 716 to Senate Bill No. 192; Assembly Amendment No. 682 to Senate Bill No. 249; Assembly Amendment No. 667 to Senate Bill No. 269; Assembly Amendment No. 651 to Senate Bill No. 280; Assembly Amendment No. 635 to Senate Bill No. 289; Assembly Amendment No. 547 to Senate Bill No. 422; Assembly Amendment No. 592 to Senate Bill No. 423.

SHERRY L. RODRIGUEZ  
*Assistant Secretary of the Senate*

#### INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND REFERENCE

Senate Bill No. 36.

Assemblywoman Jauregui moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 45.

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

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 54.

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

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 71.

Assemblywoman Jauregui moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Education.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 145.

Assemblywoman Jauregui moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Commerce and Labor.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 216.

Assemblywoman Jauregui moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 226.

Assemblywoman Jauregui moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 266.

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

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 274.

Assemblywoman Jauregui moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Commerce and Labor.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 307.

Assemblywoman Jauregui moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 387.

Assemblywoman Jauregui moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Government Affairs.

Motion carried.

Senate Bill No. 389.

Assemblywoman Jauregui moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Motion carried.

SECOND READING AND AMENDMENT

Assembly Bill No. 15.

Bill read second time and ordered to third reading.

Assembly Bill No. 328.

Bill read second time.

The following amendment was proposed by Assemblyman Watts:

Amendment No. 801.

SUMMARY—Makes an appropriation to the ~~Immigration Clinic~~ **Thomas & Mack Legal Clinic** at the William S. Boyd School of Law of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas. (BDR S-1058)

AN ACT making an appropriation to the ~~Immigration Clinic~~ **Thomas & Mack Legal Clinic** at the William S. Boyd School of Law of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas for the purpose of providing pro bono legal services ~~related to immigration law;~~ and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

**Section 1.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State General Fund to the ~~Immigration Clinic~~ **Thomas & Mack Legal Clinic** at the William S. Boyd School of Law of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, for the purpose of providing pro bono legal services ~~related to immigration law;~~ the following sums:

For the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 ..... \$500,000

For the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 ..... \$500,000

2. Any balance of the sums appropriated by subsection 1 remaining at the end of the respective fiscal years must not be committed for expenditure after June 30 of the respective fiscal years by the entity to which the appropriation is made or any entity to which money from the appropriation is granted or otherwise transferred in any manner, and any portion of the appropriated money remaining must not be spent for any purpose after September 20, 2024, and September 19, 2025, respectively, by either the entity to which the money was appropriated or the entity to which the money was subsequently granted or transferred, and must be reverted to the State General Fund on or before September 20, 2024, and September 19, 2025, respectively.

**Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2023.

Assemblyman Watts moved the adoption of the amendment.

Amendment adopted.

Bill ordered reprinted, engrossed and to third reading.

Assembly Bill No. 461.

Bill read second time and ordered to third reading.

Assembly Bill No. 462.

Bill read second time and ordered to third reading.

Assembly Bill No. 469.

Bill read second time and ordered to third reading.

Assembly Bill No. 512.

Bill read second time and ordered to third reading.

#### MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

Assemblywoman Jauregui moved that Senate Bill No. 35 be taken from its position on the General File and placed at the top of the General File.

Motion carried.

#### GENERAL FILE AND THIRD READING

Senate Bill No. 35.

Bill read third time.

Roll call on Senate Bill No. 35:

YEAS—31.

NAYS—Gray, Gurr, Hafen, Hansen, Hibbetts, Kasama, McArthur, Mosca, Orentlicher, Thomas—10.

EXCUSED—Cohen.

Senate Bill No. 35 having received a constitutional majority, Mr. Speaker declared it passed, as amended.

Bill ordered transmitted to the Senate.

Assembly Bill No. 243.

Bill read third time.

Remarks by Assemblymen Hansen, Watts, and Bilbray-Axelrod.

#### ASSEMBLYWOMAN HANSEN:

I rise in opposition to AB 243. When this bill was first heard on March 16 in the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections, which I do not serve on, it was a nine-page bill. On May 26, we had an amendment on our desk here in the Chamber which increased the size of the bill to 48 pages. I am particularly concerned about the dissolution of the interim Subcommittee on Public Lands.

To give a little bit of context, I have served on the Committee on Natural Resources and the Subcommittee on Public Lands since the 2019 interim. We all know that the state is 110,000-plus square miles. My district represents almost a third of that—six counties. Considering that 87 percent of the state is federal land, having the Subcommittee on Public Lands is vital. We would meet in various parts of the state, from Ely, to Pyramid Lake, to Boulder City, to Caliente. In the interim, tribes and members of rural communities who cannot make it to Carson and who cannot make committee meetings in person at the Grant Sawyer would come out. It also gave us legislators an opportunity to go on field trips to see the mastication programs of junipers in White Pine County. It gave us opportunities to visit mine sites and historic designations that were being considered.

I stand in strong opposition to the dissolution recommendation in the amendment. I understand it was a clean-up bill, but it has become way more than that. I would urge this body to vote no on AB 243.

ASSEMBLYMAN WATTS:

I rise in support of Assembly Bill 243. I very much appreciate the comments and concerns raised by my colleague from District 32; however, as the Chair of the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources who was also involved in coordinating some of the activities of the Subcommittee on Public Lands, I can say there were a lot of logistical issues that arose from having both the eight-member Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources as well as the smaller subcommittee that had only two Assembly members, two Senators, and a representative from local and tribal governments. In conversations, we decided the best way to move forward is just to have the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources.

I do want to note a couple things—one, the entire statutory charge originally given to the Subcommittee on Public Lands remains in place in statute, and that charge has been transferred fully to the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources. The issues and scope are not being lost in any way.

I do appreciate this opportunity to put on record before the entire body that in conversations, we are going to maintain the tradition that existed with the Subcommittee on Public Lands, which really was our Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources before we reorganized the interim. There is a commitment that we will continue to have meetings with this expanded committee and alternates, which are some of the things that have been modified and improved through this bill to ensure we are actually getting more legislators out into our rural communities to learn about issues of importance.

So while I completely understand and respect the concerns that have been raised by colleagues, at the end of the day, I think this is going to strengthen our interim process and continue to get members exposure to all the different communities in our state and the issues related to public lands and natural resources. I urge my colleagues to vote in support.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN BILBRAY-AXELROD:

I have to be honest—I was a hard no on this bill when I first looked at the amendment, but I do appreciate the conversations we have had and the clarification given by my colleague from the south. I will be bird-dogging this committee over the next interim to make sure the intent is exactly what was just stated, because I do think this is vitally important for the state of Nevada, not just for the state of Nevada but also federally. The Subcommittee on Public Lands has made many recommendations to the United States Congress over the last few decades.

I will be in support, and I will be watching to make sure it turns out the way we hope it does.

Roll call on Assembly Bill No. 243:

YEAS—34.

NAYS—Dickman, Gallant, Gray, Hafen, Hansen, Hardy, McArthur—7.

EXCUSED—Cohen.

Assembly Bill No. 243 having received a constitutional majority, Mr. Speaker declared it passed, as amended.

Bill ordered transmitted to the Senate.

#### MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

Assemblywoman Jauregui moved that Assembly Bills Nos. 46, 140, 147, 148, 151, 239, 257, 277, 281, 299, 345, 389, 399, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 481, 486, 492, 496, 498, 500, 504, 508, 509, and 523 be taken from the General File and placed on the General File for the next legislative day.

Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

SIGNING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

There being no objections, the Speaker and Chief Clerk signed Assembly Bills Nos. 11, 17, 44, 91, 97, 107, 120, 124, 159, 177, 183, 275, 291, 309, 342, 350, 398; Assembly Joint Resolutions Nos. 1, 5; Assembly Joint Resolution No. 1 of the 81st Session; Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 5; Senate Bills Nos. 113, 159, 251, 302, 323, 393, 429, 433.

GUESTS EXTENDED PRIVILEGE OF ASSEMBLY FLOOR

On request of Assemblywoman Bilbray-Axelrod, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Funmi Sheddy and Seun Sheddy.

On request of Assemblywoman Considine, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Chris Molnar and Calvin Bushek.

On request of Assemblyman D'Silva, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Carlos Rivera and Vilma Avalos Ortiz.

On request of Assemblywoman Gallant, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Maddox Gallant.

On request of Assemblyman Gray, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Gilian Hammons, Karlee Bolle, and Kayla Neilson.

On request of Assemblywoman La Rue Hatch, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Franz Rasp.

On request of Assemblywoman Taylor, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Larissa Gaeta.

On request of Assemblyman Watts, the privilege of the floor of the Assembly Chamber for this day was extended to Sue Olivas and Tim Olivas.

Assemblywoman Jauregui moved that the Assembly adjourn until Tuesday, May 30, 2023, at 11:30 a.m.

Motion carried.

Assembly adjourned at 1:01 p.m.

Approved:

STEVE YEAGER  
*Speaker of the Assembly*

Attest: SUSAN FURLONG  
*Chief Clerk of the Assembly*