MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE OPERATIONS AND ELECTIONS

Eighty-Second Session February 14, 2023

The Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections was called to order by Chair Michelle Gorelow at 7:13 p.m. on Tuesday, February 14, 2023, in Room 4100 of the Legislative Building, 401 South Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada. The meeting was videoconferenced to Room 4412 of the Grant Sawyer State Office Building, 555 East Washington Avenue, Las Vegas, Nevada. Copies of the minutes, including the Agenda [Exhibit A], the Attendance Roster [Exhibit B], and other substantive exhibits, are available and on file in the Research Library of the Legislative Counsel Bureau and on the Nevada Legislature's website at www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/82nd2023.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Assemblywoman Michelle Gorelow, Chair Assemblywoman Brittney Miller, Vice Chair Assemblyman Rich DeLong Assemblywoman Jill Dickman Assemblyman Reuben D'Silva Assemblywoman Cecelia González Assemblyman Brian Hibbetts Assemblyman Richard McArthur Assemblyman Cameron (C.H.) Miller Assemblywoman Daniele Monroe-Moreno Assemblywoman Sabra Newby Assemblyman Steve Yeager

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

GUEST LEGISLATORS PRESENT:

None

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bryan Fernley, Committee Counsel Haley Proehl, Committee Policy Analyst Shuruk Ismail, Committee Manager Kristi Howard, Committee Secretary



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Terry Horgan, Committee Secretary Garrett Kingen, Committee Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT:

None

Chair Gorelow:

[Roll was called. Committee protocols were explained.] Welcome back. Our only agenda item today is a work session on <u>Assembly Joint Resolution 10 of the 81st Session</u>. Before we begin, I would like to invite Speaker Yeager to make remarks regarding the work session.

Assemblyman Yeager:

I want to remind the Committee members that I have a copy in front of me of the Standing Rules of the Assembly. Under Rule 57.4, "Absent approval by the Speaker or unanimous consent to waive the waiting period, a committee may not take final action on a bill or resolution until at least 24 hours after the close of the hearing on the bill or resolution." We are within that 24-hour period, so I want to state for the record that the action we are taking with this work session is with my approval as the Speaker, so we are within the right to do that under Assembly Standing Rule 57.4.

Chair Gorelow:

We will now begin the work session. Ms. Proehl, will you walk us through the work session document?

<u>Assembly Joint Resolution 10 of the 81st Session</u>: Proposes to amend the Ordinance of the Nevada Constitution and the Nevada Constitution to remove language authorizing the use of slavery and involuntary servitude as a criminal punishment. (BDR C-496)

Haley Proehl, Committee Policy Analyst:

As nonpartisan staff of the Legislative Counsel Bureau I am not here to advocate for or against any measure, just to help the Committee with policy issues and walk you through the work session document today. There is just one measure in the work session document. That is <u>Assembly Joint Resolution 10 of the 81st Session [Exhibit C]</u>, which proposes to amend the Ordinance of the *Nevada Constitution* and the *Nevada Constitution* itself to remove language authorizing the use of slavery and involuntary servitude as a criminal punishment.

This is sponsored by Assemblymen Watts, Cameron (C.H.) Miller, Frierson, Brittney Miller, Monroe-Moreno, and Senators Harris, Neal, and Spearman. This was heard in this Committee today. There were no amendments for this measure. As a special note for this Committee, if this resolution is passed by the 2023 Legislature, it must also be approved by voters at the 2024 General Election before the measure becomes effective.

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Chair Gorelow:

Committee members, are there any comments or questions? [There were none.] I will entertain a motion to do pass.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN MONROE-MORENO MADE A MOTION TO DO PASS ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 10 OF THE 81ST SESSION.

ASSEMBLYWOMAN GONZÁLEZ SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Chair Gorelow:

I will assign Assemblyman Watts to do the floor statement. We will move to public comment. [There was none.] Before we adjourn, I would like to thank each one of you for being here so late. I think we have earned the title of hardest-working committee in the building. We are going to cancel our meeting for this coming Thursday, February 16, 2023. Our next meeting will be held the following Tuesday, February 21, 2023. The meeting is adjourned at [7:18 p.m.].

	RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:
	Kristi Howard Committee Secretary
APPROVED BY:	
Assemblywoman Michelle Gorelow, Chair	
DATE:	

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EXHIBITS

Exhibit A is the Agenda.

Exhibit B is the Attendance Roster.

<u>Exhibit C</u> is the work session document for <u>Assembly Joint Resolution 10 of the 81st Session</u>, presented by Haley Proehl, Committee Policy Analyst, Research Division, Legislative Counsel Bureau.