

THE NINTH DAY

CARSON CITY (Tuesday), February 11, 2025

Senate called to order at 11:08 a.m.

President Anthony presiding.

Roll called.

All present except Senator Ohrenschall, who was excused.

Prayer by Senator Taylor.

Father God, in the Name of Jesus. Lord, we thank You. We thank You for being God. We thank You for the awesome privilege of serving the people of the great State of Nevada. We ask You, Lord, to help us serve with valor, help us serve with courage, help us serve with love and help us serve in the way that glorifies You. Father, we ask that You will be in our midst on today as we make these important decisions. We ask You, Lord, for the wisdom of Solomon as we go forth. We ask You for the anointing of Abraham as we go forth. And, Lord, we ask You for the favor of Daniel.

In Your Name, we pray. Thank God.

AMEN.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

By previous order of the Senate, the reading of the journal is dispensed with and the President and Secretary are authorized to make the necessary corrections and additions.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

Senator Cannizzaro moved that the following persons be accepted as accredited press representatives and be allowed the use of appropriate media facilities: Harrison Brenner of KOLO 8 NEWS NOW; Kyle Chouinard of the LAS VEGAS SUN.

Motion carried.

Senator Krasner approved the addition of Senators Buck and Titus as sponsors of Senate Bill No. 96.

Senator Krasner approved the addition of Senator Ellison as a sponsor of Senate Bill No. 103.

Senator Krasner approved the addition of Senator Stone as a sponsor of Senate Bill No. 110.

Senator Ohrenschall approved the addition of Senator Krasner as a sponsor of Senate Bill No. 174.

Senator Ohrenschall approved the addition of Senator Krasner as a sponsor of Senate Bill No. 179.

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND REFERENCE

By Senator Neal:

Senate Bill No. 199—AN ACT relating to artificial intelligence systems; providing for the registration and regulation of artificial intelligence

companies by the Bureau of Consumer Protection in the Office of the Attorney General; imposing certain requirements and restrictions upon certain persons engaged in certain activities relating to artificial intelligence systems; requiring the Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation to collect and report certain information relating to artificial intelligence systems; requiring a county recorder to develop, implement and maintain certain policies, procedures and protocols; revising the list of activities that constitute an unlawful contract, combination or conspiracy in restraint of trade; requiring the Superintendent of Public Instruction to establish the Working Group on the Use of Artificial Intelligence Systems in Education; providing penalties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Neal moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Commerce and Labor.

Motion carried.

By Senator Hansen:

Senate Bill No. 200—AN ACT relating to taxation; authorizing, under certain circumstances, the reimbursement of costs incurred by certain smaller counties related to certain activities provided by a tax-exempt organization or nonprofit corporation that are subject to the excise tax on live entertainment; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Senator Hansen moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Revenue and Economic Development.

Motion carried.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY
VETO MESSAGES OF THE GOVERNOR

The hour of 11:15 a.m. having arrived, vetoed Senate Bills Nos. 60, 76, 78, 81, 88, 104, 246, 262, 272, 275, 301, 314, 319, 335, 371, 384, 395, 400, 419, 440 and 443 of the 82nd Legislative Session were considered.

Vetoed Senate Bill No. 60 of the 82nd Session.

Bill read.

Governor's message stating his objections read.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR
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101 NORTH CARSON STREET
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June 16, 2023

The Honorable Francisco Aguilar
Nevada Secretary of State
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Re: Senate Bill 60 of the 82nd Legislative Session

Dear Secretary of State Aguilar:

I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Senate Bill 60 ("SB 60"), which is titled as follows:

AN ACT relating to elections; defining the term "inaugural committee"; requiring an inaugural committee to report certain contributions and expenditures; requiring a candidate who is elected to a constitutional office to report certain contributions and expenditures for a certain period preceding the election and preceding the next regular legislative session; prohibiting a foreign national from [sic] making a contribution or commitment to make a contribution to an inaugural committee; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Increasing fairness and transparency in government and elections is an important goal. That said, if transparency is truly a priority for the Legislature, it should pass legislation requiring disclosure of activities beyond a single office.

For these reasons, I veto this bill and return it to you without my signature or approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Lombardo
Governor of Nevada

The question was put: "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?"

Senator Cannizzaro moved no further consideration of vetoed Senate Bill No. 60 of the 82nd Legislative Session.

Motion carried.

Vetoed Senate Bill No. 76 of the 82nd Session.

Bill read.

Governor's message stating his objections read.

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The Honorable Francisco Aguilar
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Re: Senate Bill 76 of the 82nd Legislative Session

Dear Secretary of State Aguilar:

I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Senate Bill 76 ("SB 76"), which is titled as follows:

AN ACT relating to hazardous materials; prohibiting, with certain exceptions, the sale and distribution of certain products containing intentionally added perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances; requiring, with certain exceptions, manufacturers of cookware containing intentionally added perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances to provide certain information to a customer; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

While protecting consumers from potential dangers associated with perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances ("PFAs") is an important goal, SB 76 aims to accomplish too much too soon. The United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") is actively preparing regulatory considerations for these chemicals which will apply to all states. Awaiting the EPA's determinations will avoid unnecessary burdens for doing business in Nevada, specifically. It will also ensure the regulations here comport with the most universally accepting protections, thresholds, and timelines to be implemented nationwide.

As such, at this juncture, it is more prudent to await federal guidance on this matter before placing a substantially increased regulatory burden on manufacturers and retailers across the State.

For these reasons, I veto this bill and return it to you without my signature or approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Lombardo
Governor of Nevada

The question was put: "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?"

Senator Cannizzaro moved no further consideration of vetoed Senate Bill No. 76 of the 82nd Legislative Session.

Motion carried.

Vetoed Senate Bill No. 78 of the 82nd Session.

Bill read.

Governor's message stating his objections read.

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The Honorable Francisco Aguilar
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Re: Senate Bill 78 of the 82nd Legislative Session

Dear Secretary of State Aguilar:

I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Senate Bill 78 ("SB 78"), which is titled as follows:

AN ACT relating to property; establishing and revising various definitions relating to property; establishing provisions relating to fees charged by landlords to prospective tenants; prohibiting landlords from transferring, selling, assigning or reporting to certain agencies information concerning amounts owed by tenants to landlords; establishing provisions relating to circumstances under which a landlord changes his or her agent, broker or property management company; requiring a rental agreement to include separate appendices that contain certain information; making it unlawful for a landlord or certain other persons to charge a tenant certain fees; making various changes relating to fees, fines, deposits and costs paid by tenants; requiring rental agreements to include a grace period for the late payment of rent; requiring a tenant to be served with advance notice of increases in certain fees, fines and costs; revising provisions relating to agents of attorneys who serve certain notices relating to evictions; revising provisions relating to

representation in small claim actions; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

SB 78 is partially well-intended in that it aims to increase certain transparencies related to the process of residential renting. That said, this bill would make wide-ranging changes to accounting practices, traditional fee collection, certain disclosures, and various notice requirements with which lessors in new agreements would be immediately forced to comply at the risk of sustaining penalties.

Since this bill would only serve to exacerbate an already challenging period for Nevadan renting families, I cannot support it.

For these reasons, I veto this bill and return it to you without my signature or approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Lombardo
Governor of Nevada

The question was put: "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?"

Senator Cannizzaro moved no further consideration of vetoed Senate Bill No. 78 of the 82nd Legislative Session.

Motion carried.

Vetoed Senate Bill No. 81 of the 82nd Session.

Bill read.

Governor's message stating his objections read.

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Re: Senate Bill 81 of the 82nd Legislative Session

Dear Secretary of State Aguilar:

I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Senate Bill 81 ("SB 81"), which is titled as follows:

AN ACT relating to regional planning; requiring representatives of certain counties and cities to meet jointly for a specified period to identify issues and make recommendations regarding the orderly management of growth in the region; requiring such representatives to prepare certain joint reports during that period; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Regional planning in Nevada has always been conducted through several entities that regularly engage with local entities in an official capacity. SB 81 would insert unwanted and unneeded legislative representation into decisions regarding issues that local elected officials have historically made, and should continue to make, independent of the Legislative Branch.

For this reason, I veto this bill and return it to you without my signature or approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Lombardo
Governor of Nevada

The question was put: "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?"

Senator Cannizzaro moved no further consideration of vetoed Senate Bill No. 81 of the 82nd Legislative Session.

Motion carried.

Vetoed Senate Bill No. 88 of the 82nd Session.

Bill read.

Governor's message stating his objections read.

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Re: Senate Bill 88 of the 82nd Legislative Session

Dear Secretary of State Aguilar:

I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Senate Bill 88 ("SB 88"), which is titled as follows:

AN ACT relating to natural resources; requiring the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources to conduct an interim study of state agencies that regulate natural resources; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Though analyzing any state agency is critical to maintaining effective government, the Chair of the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources is permitted to initiate a discussion on this matter independent of this bill's passage. I encourage the Chair to collaborate with the executive branch agencies intended to be impacted by this bill during the interim to discuss how to positively affect those agencies' efficiencies and governance structures.

Since the studies contemplated in SB 88 would be better decided and initiated upon the Joint Interim Standing Committee itself, I cannot support this bill.

For these reasons, I veto this bill and return it to you without my signature or approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Lombardo
Governor of Nevada

The question was put: "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?"

Senator Cannizzaro moved no further consideration of vetoed Senate Bill No. 88 of the 82nd Legislative Session.

Motion carried.

Vetoed Senate Bill No. 104 of the 82nd Session.

Bill read.

Governor's message stating his objections read.

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Re: Senate Bill 104 of the 82nd Legislative Session

Dear Secretary of State Aguilar:

I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Senate Bill 104 ("SB 104"), which is titled as follows:

AN ACT relating to vehicles; revising provisions relating to certain traffic and related violations; revising provisions relating to the suspension of the driver's license of a person; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

SB 104 is largely predicated upon the changes made by AB 116 (2021). Those changes were not fully implemented until January 1st of this year. Though some of the ideas contained in this bill may be well-intended, we should allow more time to gain a complete understanding of that bill's effects. Moreover, even if these infractions are determined through civil adjudication, judges should still be empowered to suspend or uphold the suspension of a driver's license for any legitimate purpose. Finally, posting bond in these situations is necessary to ensure judicial resources are not wasted due to non-appearance.

As such, since SB 104 would encroach upon judicial discretion, restrict court's resource management capabilities, and since the changes in AB 116 have not had time to sufficiently develop, I cannot support this bill.

For these reasons, I veto this bill and return it to you without my signature or approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Lombardo
Governor of Nevada

The question was put: "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?"

Senator Cannizzaro moved no further consideration of vetoed Senate Bill No. 104 of the 82nd Legislative Session.

Motion carried.

Vetoed Senate Bill No. 246 of the 82nd Session.

Bill read.

Governor's message stating his objections read.

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Re: Senate Bill 246 of the 82nd Legislative Session

Dear Secretary of State Aguilar:

I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Senate Bill 246 ("SB 246"), which is titled as follows:

AN ACT to governmental administration [sic]; requiring the City Councils of the City of Las Vegas and the City of North Las Vegas to establish a workforce development program; requiring the City Councils to receive updates on the programs and post information about the programs; requiring every public utility which is owned or operated by the City of Las Vegas or the City of North Las Vegas to include certain information in utility bills; requiring that certain information be posted in each building owned by the City of Las Vegas or the City of North Las Vegas; requiring the City Councils to submit an annual report to the Director of the Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation and the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau relating to the workforce development program; revising provisions relating to the Charter Committee, City Clerk and City Manager of the City of North Las Vegas; providing penalties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

SB 246 is little more than a Legislative attempt to circumvent the Charter Committee process – the standard method of making these sorts of changes. It is imperative to community development that such overarching changes to local government be implemented locally after receiving primarily local, or at least locally motivated, input. Moreover, this bill is also problematic in that it received its final amendment on the last day of the Legislative Session with no opportunity for any sufficient form of public input.

Furthermore, the workforce development programs discussed in this bill are duplicative of existing programs with which North Las Vegas already participates. Additionally, Section 3.2 makes two untenable changes to existing law. First, though it generally requires more meetings between each regular session, it also provides no clarity or regularity for when those meetings should occur. Second, the bill also arbitrarily limits the number of agenda items which may be considered at a given Charter Committee meeting. This is a striking alteration to current law. Considering the wide array of potential scheduling issues, these Committees should be empowered to agendize as many items at a given meeting as required to carry out their necessary functions.

Since this bill would: 1) set a concerning trend regarding the Legislature's ability to effectively commandeer certain decision-making authority that has previously been and should remain with local governments; 2) duplicate existing workforce development efforts; and 3) inhibit the Charter Committee in its ability to schedule and conduct meetings, I cannot support it.

For these reasons, I veto this bill and return it to you without my signature or approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Lombardo
Governor of Nevada

The question was put: "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?"

Senator Cannizzaro moved no further consideration of vetoed Senate Bill No. 246 of the 82nd Legislative Session.

Motion carried.

Vetoed Senate Bill No. 262 of the 82nd Session.

Bill read.

Governor's message stating his objections read.

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Re: Senate Bill 262 of the 82nd Legislative Session

Dear Secretary of State Aguilar:

I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Senate Bill 262 ("SB 262"), which is titled as follows:

AN ACT relating to towns; eliminating the requirement that a member of a citizens' advisory council of a town or certain town advisory boards be a qualified elector; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

SB 262 would remove the requirement that members of citizen advisory boards must be qualified electors of the unincorporated town. To ensure the greatest accountability to voters, service on such a public board should be reserved only for those who can participate in elections related to their community.

Since SB 262 would expand this privilege to non-qualified electors, I cannot support it.

For these reasons, I veto this bill and return it to you without my signature or approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Lombardo
Governor of Nevada

The question was put: "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?"

Senator Cannizzaro moved no further consideration of vetoed Senate Bill No. 262 of the 82nd Legislative Session.

Motion carried.

Vetoed Senate Bill No. 272 of the 82nd Session.

Bill read.

Governor's message stating his objections read.

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Re: Senate Bill 272 of the 82nd Legislative Session

Dear Secretary of State Aguilar:

I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Senate Bill 272 ("SB 272"), which is titled as follows:

AN ACT relating to governmental administration; requiring a state agency or local government to post certain information on its Internet website relating to certain purchasing contracts, performance contracts and contracts for public works; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

SB 272 is an admirably motivated piece of legislation in that it is important we ensure Nevada's business environment is safe and open for everyone – regardless of race, sex, gender or sexual identity, or veteran status. This bill would require government agencies to post information regarding the previous fiscal year on their websites including, among other things: 1) the total number of contracts awarded by the agency to minority owned, veteran-owned, women-owned, or LGBTQ-owned businesses; and 2) the total dollar amount paid to such businesses. That said, the intended outcome of posting this data is unclear because a preference system is already in place. Without a clear objective, this bill's burden on existing government is unjustifiable.

For these reasons, I veto this bill and return it to you without my signature or approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Lombardo
Governor of Nevada

The question was put: "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?"

Senator Cannizzaro moved no further consideration of vetoed Senate Bill No. 272 of the 82nd Legislative Session.

Motion carried.

Vetoed Senate Bill No. 275 of the 82nd Session.

Bill read.

Governor's message stating his objections read.

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The Honorable Francisco Aguilar
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Re: Senate Bill 275 of the 82nd Legislative Session

Dear Secretary of State Aguilar:

I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Senate Bill 275 ("SB 275"), which is titled as follows:

AN ACT to manufactured home parks [sic]; requiring the Housing Division of the Department of Business and Industry to calculate annually and publish a maximum annual rent increase percentage in manufactured home parks; authorizing certain persons to apply for an exemption to certain requirements relating to increases in rent; revising certain requirements related to increases in rent for certain tenancies in manufactured home parks; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

SB 275 would apply rent control provisions to manufactured homes throughout Nevada. As has been noted when similar rent control policies have been implemented elsewhere, this would likely lead to housing shortages, reduced property maintenance, and potentially reduced property tax revenue for local governments.

As such, since the rent control provisions contained in this bill would not benefit existing manufactured home renters or owners, I cannot support it.

For these reasons, I veto this bill and return it to you without my signature or approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Lombardo
Governor of Nevada

The question was put: "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?"

Senator Cannizzaro moved no further consideration of vetoed Senate Bill No. 275 of the 82nd Legislative Session.

Motion carried.

Vetoed Senate Bill No. 301 of the 82nd Session.

Bill read.

Governor's message stating his objections read.

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Re: Senate Bill 301 of the 82nd Legislative Session

Dear Secretary of State Aguilar:

I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Senate Bill 301 ("SB 301"), which is titled as follows:

AN ACT relating to public works; revising provisions governing the circumstances under which a worker is deemed to be employed on a public work; making an appropriation; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

SB 301 would expand the definition of trades to include material suppliers and removers. This would increase costs throughout the construction industry while providing no additional training or safety requirements for such employees.

Since SB 301 would increase costs and the potential for delays without making any changes to improve the safety of covered employees or the public, I cannot support it.

For these reasons, I veto this bill and return it to you without my signature or approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Lombardo
Governor of Nevada

The question was put: "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?"

Senator Cannizzaro moved no further consideration of vetoed Senate Bill No. 301 of the 82nd Legislative Session.

Motion carried.

Vetoed Senate Bill No. 314 of the 82nd Session.

Bill read.

Governor's message stating his objections read.

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The Honorable Francisco Aguilar
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Re: Senate Bill 314 of the 82nd Legislative Session

Dear Secretary of State Aguilar:

I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Senate Bill 314 ("SB 314"), which is titled as follows:

AN ACT relating to energy; revising a definition relating to certain renewable energy facilities; revising provisions governing the establishment by the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada of biennial targets for the procurement of energy storage systems by certain electric utilities; requiring the Commission to reevaluate the existing biennial targets; eliminating an obsolete provision relating to the establishment of such targets; establishing requirements for the installation of electrochemical energy storage systems; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

SB 314 is well intentioned in its aim to support training and certification related to the installation of energy storage systems. That said, in Nevada there is only one entity authorized to provide Energy Storage and Microgrid Training and Certification ("ESMTAC"). ESMTAC has not been mandated in any other state and this bill increases the likelihood of related labor shortages if ESMTAC's institutional infrastructure cannot satisfy the training demand necessary to keep Nevada's energy storage systems on the cutting-edge.

Given the potential for critical labor shortages and the lack of alternative entities to provide training for Nevadans seeking employment in the energy storage system installation industry, I cannot support it.

For these reasons, I veto this bill and return it to you without my signature or approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Lombardo
Governor of Nevada

The question was put: "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?"

Senator Cannizzaro moved no further consideration of vetoed Senate Bill No. 314 of the 82nd Legislative Session.

Motion carried.

Vetoed Senate Bill No. 319 of the 82nd Session.

Bill read.

Governor's message stating his objections read.

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The Honorable Francisco Aguilar
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Re: Senate Bill 319 of the 82nd Legislative Session

Dear Secretary of State Aguilar:

I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Senate Bill 319 ("SB 319"), which is titled as follows:

AN ACT relating to public employees; revising the definition of "employee" for purposes of collective bargaining for state employees to include category I, II and III peace officers who are in the unclassified service of the State; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

SB 319 adds unclassified peace officers to those employees eligible for collective bargaining. Under current law, unclassified positions are not subject to the same rules as classified employees. Allowing them to participate in collective bargaining could lead to other distinctions between classified and unclassified staff being challenged. If there is a desire to include these positions in their respective collective bargaining units, the positions should be reclassified to the classified service.

For these reasons, I veto SB 319 and return it to you without my signature or approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Lombardo
Governor of Nevada

The question was put: "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?"

Senator Cannizzaro moved no further consideration of vetoed Senate Bill No. 319 of the 82nd Legislative Session.

Motion carried.

Vetoed Senate Bill No. 335 of the 82nd Session.

Bill read.

Governor's message stating his objections read.

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The Honorable Francisco Aguilar
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Re: Senate Bill 335 of the 82nd Legislative Session

Dear Secretary of State Aguilar:

I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Senate Bill 335 ("SB 335"), which is titled as follows:

AN ACT relating to property; authorizing tenants subject to certain actions for summary eviction to request that the court stay the action until a decision concerning an application for rental assistance is made and establishing procedures relating thereto; requiring a landlord to accept payment of rent from a tenant and rental assistance on behalf of a tenant under certain circumstances; authorizing a justice court to establish a diversion program for certain tenants subject to an action for summary eviction; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

SB 335 would create onerous burdens in Nevada's residential renting market by requiring even more hurdles for a landlord to evict a non-compliant tenant by establishing a judicial diversion program for such tenants. Not only would this make the eviction process more time consuming, it would also make it more costly – potentially worsening availability and accessibility to residential properties for those looking to rent.

Since this bill would not serve to improve the landscape of Nevada's residential renting market, I cannot support it.

For these reasons, I veto this bill and return it to you without my signature or approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Lombardo
Governor of Nevada

The question was put: "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?"

Senator Cannizzaro moved no further consideration of vetoed Senate Bill No. 335 of the 82nd Legislative Session.

Motion carried.

Vetoed Senate Bill No. 371 of the 82nd Session.

Bill read.

Governor's message stating his objections read.

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The Honorable Francisco Aguilar
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Re: Senate Bill 371 of the 82nd Legislative Session

Dear Secretary of State Aguilar:

I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Senate Bill 371 ("SB 371"), which is titled as follows:

AN ACT relating to local governments; authorizing a board of county commissioners and the governing body of an incorporated city to, with certain exceptions, enact an ordinance or measure relating to affordable housing; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

SB 371, as introduced, empowered a county or city to "enact any ordinance or measure relating to affordable housing, including, without limitation, rent control." After amendment, it became even broader, empowering a county or city to "enact any ordinance or measure related to affordable housing."

Nevada is a Dillon's Rule state. This means the power of a local government is limited to powers expressly granted to the local government by the Nevada Constitution or the Nevada Legislature, the powers necessarily or fairly implied in or incident to the expressly granted powers, and other powers proper to address matters of local—but not statewide—concern. NRS 244.146; NRS 268.0035. Clarity in a grant of legislative power is important, as vague or broad claims of authority by a local government have been rejected by the Nevada Supreme Court. See *Endo Health v. City of Reno*, 137 Nev.Adv.Op. 39 (July 29, 2021) (holding that the City of Reno did not have an express or implied grant of authority to file suit against drug companies for the opioid epidemic).

Since this bill's excessive broadness creates the exact uncertainty the Nevada Supreme Court has determined conflicts with Dillon's rule, inevitably leaving it exposed to constant legal challenges, I cannot support it.

For these reasons, I veto this bill and return it to you without my signature or approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Lombardo
Governor of Nevada

The question was put: "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?"

Senator Cannizzaro moved no further consideration of vetoed Senate Bill No. 371 of the 82nd Legislative Session.

Motion carried.

Vetoed Senate Bill No. 384 of the 82nd Session.

Bill read.

Governor's message stating his objections read.

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Re: Senate Bill 384 of the 82nd Legislative Session

Dear Secretary of State Aguilar:

I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Senate Bill 384 ("SB 384"), which is titled as follows:

AN ACT relating to broadband; establishing certain requirements for a state agency that awards grants of federal money for the development of broadband services and infrastructure; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

SB 384 would dramatically increase the cost of broadband projects in every part of Nevada. Critically, the workforce necessary to meet the requirements contained in the bill does not exist in rural areas across the State. The costs associated with ensuring such onerous workforce burdens in rural locations will decrease the effectiveness of the money available to ensure rural Nevada's connectivity.

Since SB 384 would significantly hinder broadband development efforts in our rural communities while also considerably increasing the costs of those projects throughout the rest of the State, I cannot support it.

For these reasons, I veto this bill and return it to you without my signature or approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Lombardo
Governor of Nevada

The question was put: "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?"

Senator Cannizzaro moved no further consideration of vetoed Senate Bill No. 384 of the 82nd Legislative Session.

Motion carried.

Vetoed Senate Bill No. 395 of the 82nd Session.

Bill read.

Governor's message stating his objections read.

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The Honorable Francisco Aguilar
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101 North Carson Street
Carson City, Nevada 89701

Re: Senate Bill 395 of the 82nd Legislative Session

Dear Secretary of State Aguilar:

I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Senate Bill 395 ("SB 395"), which is titled as follows:

AN ACT relating to real property; limiting, with certain exceptions, the total aggregate number of units of residential real property in this State that may be purchased in any 1 calendar year by certain corporate investors; requiring the registration of certain corporate investors in residential property in this State with the Securities Division of the Office of the Secretary of State; requiring that certain deeds relating to residential real property include certain information about corporate investors; making an appropriation; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

SB 395 would arbitrarily limit the number of units a residential property lessor may acquire in one year. This bill would remove millions of dollars in commerce tax revenue from businesses engaged in the sale of real estate, detrimentally affect blue-collar trades by decreasing demand for new construction, and chill interest from Nevadan lessors during a period when renters are in desperate need of greater residential availability.

Since SB 395 would likely worsen Nevada's current struggles in ensuring residential availability, I cannot support this bill.

For these reasons, I veto this bill and return it to you without my signature or approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Lombardo
Governor of Nevada

The question was put: "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?"

Senator Cannizzaro moved no further consideration of vetoed Senate Bill No. 395 of the 82nd Legislative Session.

Motion carried.

Vetoed Senate Bill No. 400 of the 82nd Session.

Bill read.

Governor's message stating his objections read.

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June 16, 2023

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Re: Senate Bill 400 of the 82nd Legislative Session

Dear Secretary of State Aguilar:

I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Senate Bill 400 ("SB 400"), which is titled as follows:

AN ACT relating to public welfare; revising provisions governing the duties of a reinvestment advisory committee; revising provisions governing contracts entered into by the Department of Health and Human Services for the operation of a Medicaid managed care program; requiring the Department to establish the Fiscal Advisory Committee for a Flexible Continuum of Care Plan; making appropriations; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

SB 400 requires Medicare Managed Care Organizations ("MCO") to change the community reinvestment funding based on the MCO contracts to invest in programs and initiative to address homelessness and certain prescription medication. SB 400 also revises the duties of the reinvestment advisory committee to focus on the changes to the funding.

While the policy goals of SB 400 are not without merit, it is duplicative of existing work and makes no appropriation to Division of Health Care Financing and Policy to carry out the provisions and changes the purpose of the Community Reinvestment Funding from serving Social Determinants of Health.

SB 400 also creates the Fiscal Advisory Committee for a Flexible Continuum of Care Plan (the "Committee") that duplicates the Medicaid Reinvestment Advisory Committee that was created in 2021 and requires cities with between 150,000 and 500,000 people to provide funds to the Committee to address homelessness in the city.

For these reasons, I veto this bill and return it to you without my signature or approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Lombardo
Governor of Nevada

The question was put: "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?"

Senator Cannizzaro moved no further consideration of vetoed Senate Bill No. 400 of the 82nd Legislative Session.

Motion carried.

Vetoed Senate Bill No. 419 of the 82nd Session.

Bill read.

Governor's message stating his objections read.

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Re: Senate Bill 419 of the 82nd Legislative Session

Dear Secretary of State Aguilar:

I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Senate Bill 419 ("SB 419"), which is titled as follows:

AN ACT relating to public health; requiring the adoption of a framework for the electronic transmittal, maintenance and exchange of certain health information; requiring governmental entities, health care providers, insurers and insurance administrators to maintain, transmit and exchange health information electronically; authorizing the imposition of certain discipline against a health care provider, insurer or insurance administrator that fails to comply with that requirement; authorizing the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services to contract with multiple health information exchanges to perform certain functions; clarifying that certain persons are immune from certain criminal and civil liability for transmitting, accessing,

utilizing or disclosing electronic health records in accordance with existing law; establishing and prescribing the duties of the Medicaid Outreach Advisory Committee; requiring the provision of certain coverage under the Children's Health Insurance Program; requiring the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Health and Human Services to conduct certain studies; making an appropriation; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

SB 419, Sec. 39 would expand Medicaid coverage for prenatal care and labor and delivery services. There are at least six other bills from the 82nd Session expanding Medicaid services. None of these bills included appropriations to cover the administrative costs for the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) to implement their provisions. Given the number of approved projects currently assigned to DHCFP along with staff turnover and vacancies within the Division, there are insufficient resources to implement this new service this biennium.

Since this bill would add to an already overworked staff, I cannot support it.

For these reasons, I veto this bill and return it to you without my signature or approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Lombardo
Governor of Nevada

The question was put: "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?"

Senator Cannizzaro moved no further consideration of vetoed Senate Bill No. 419 of the 82nd Legislative Session.

Motion carried.

Vetoed Senate Bill No. 440 of the 82nd Session.

Bill read.

Governor's message stating his objections read.

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Re: Senate Bill 440 of the 82nd Legislative Session

Dear Secretary of State Aguilar:

I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Senate Bill 440 ("SB 440"), which is titled as follows:

AN ACT making appropriations requiring certain one-time payments for certain state personnel; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

The employees discussed to receive one-time payments in this bill are well-cared for in AB 522 – the employee pay bill. The State would not be well-served by setting a precedent that employees will receive retroactive non-binding arbitration awards during subsequent legislative sessions.

Since this bill would create perverse incentives regarding employee pay, I cannot support it.

For these reasons, I veto this bill and return it to you without my signature or approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Lombardo
Governor of Nevada

The question was put: "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?"

Senator Cannizzaro moved no further consideration of vetoed Senate Bill No. 440 of the 82nd Legislative Session.

Motion carried.

Vetoed Senate Bill No. 443 of the 82nd Session.

Bill read.

Governor's message stating his objections read.

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Re: Senate Bill 443 of the 82nd Legislative Session

Dear Secretary of State Aguilar:

I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Senate Bill 443 ("SB 443"), which is titled as follows:

AN ACT relating to elections; revising provisions relating to voter registration during certain periods preceding an election; requiring the Department of Motor Vehicles to have extended hours of operation in certain counties during certain periods preceding the deadline to register to vote by mail for certain elections and following the day of certain elections; prohibiting, in certain counties, the Department from requiring an appointment to obtain a driver's license or identification card during certain periods; making an appropriation to the Department of Motor Vehicles for certain security costs relating to extended hours of operation required during certain periods; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

SB 443 would allow for insufficient proofs of residency to be used by potential electors in order to vote.

Since this bill places the sanctity and security of our elections in jeopardy, I cannot support it.

For these reasons, I veto this bill and return it to you without my signature or approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Joe Lombardo
Governor of Nevada

The question was put: "Shall the bill pass, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?"

Senator Cannizzaro moved no further consideration of vetoed Senate Bill No. 443 of the 82nd Legislative Session.

Motion carried.

Mr. President announced that if there were no objections, the Senate would recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Senate in recess at 11:51 a.m.

SENATE IN SESSION

At 12:11 p.m.

President Anthony presiding.

Quorum present.

MESSAGES FROM THE ASSEMBLY

ASSEMBLY CHAMBER, Carson City, February 11, 2025

To the Honorable the Senate:

I have the honor to inform your honorable body that the Assembly on this day passed, as amended, Assembly Bill No. 171.

JASON HATAWAY

Assistant Chief Clerk of the Assembly

Senator Cannizzaro moved to place Assembly Bill No. 171 on the First Reading File for this legislative day and proceed to Order of Business No. 10 to introduce and refer the bill immediately.

Motion carried.

INTRODUCTION, FIRST READING AND REFERENCE

Assembly Bill No. 171.

Senator Cannizzaro moved that the bill be referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

Motion carried.

REMARKS FROM THE FLOOR

Senator Hansen requested that his remarks be entered in the journal.

Yvonne Powers, Shoshone Paiute and San Carlos Apache, serves as a member of the Shoshone-Paiute Tribal Business Council. This is her second third-year term in tribal politics. She served the community and the organization with 20 years working in various capacities, most notably as the editor of the Shoshone-Paiute tribal newspaper, where she spent 18 years building and fostering the program from its inception in 1994. Yvonne and her husband own and operate a cabin rental on the reservation that caters to recreationists who come to Duck Valley to fish its well-known waters and to hunt antelope and elk on the high desert. So I want to give a special shout-out to Yvonne right now, so please join me giving her a big round of applause.

And I do want to read out real quick, because they were not able to come in, so I want to make sure we get them on the record—because you know, I have in my district 10 different Indian tribes and colonies. And I am very proud of this Senate and the Assembly last session, where we passed the bill which gave the Owyhee School District, Duck Valley, a new school, which is being built; they went through the contracts. So a shout-out especially to Daniele Monroe-Moreno in the Assembly for really helping ramrod that through, along with my wife.

But there are some folks here, and I want to make sure they get on the record. We have Chair Geoff Ellis of the Woodfords Community Council; Ciera Sampson of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe; Chairman Dakota York and Treasurer Shelley Harjo from Fort McDermitt; Treasurer Robin Eagle of the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony; Councilmember Barbara Crutcher from Fort McDermitt;

Sherry Ely-Mendes of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe; John Guerrero, Pyramid Lake; Yvonne Powers and Brian Thomas, Shoshone Paiute Tribe of Duck Valley; Jody Smart, Fort McDermitt; Chair Leah Brady of Elko Band Council; Dr. Art Martinez, the Department of Native American Affairs, Commissioner; Chair Brian Mason of Shoshone Paiute Duck Valley Tribe—I hope he is there, he worked very hard last session on that school—Tammi Tiger, DNAA Commissioner; Dr. Arlie Stops, DNAA Commissioner; Vice Chair Arnold Thomas of the Shoshone Paiute Tribe of Duck Valley; Marco Ovando and Marisa Gartiez—who are sitting now with Senator Scheible—of the Shoshone Paiute Tribe, Duck Valley; Staci Emm, DNAA Commissioner; Janet Myers, Moapa Valley Paiutes; Andrea Martinez, DNAA Commissioner; and Chair Darryl Brady of the Yomba Shoshone Tribe.

So please let's give them one more round of applause. These people really do a lot for our State and don't get a lot of recognition.

GUESTS EXTENDED PRIVILEGE OF SENATE FLOOR

On request of Senator Buck, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Geoff Ellis.

On request of Senator Cannizzaro, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Ciera Sampson.

On request of Senator Cruz-Crawford, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Shelley Harjo and Dakota York.

On request of Senator Daly, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Robin Eagle.

On request of Senator Doñate, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Barbara Crutcher.

On request of Senator Dondero Loop, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Sherry Ely-Mendes.

On request of Senator Ellison, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to John Guerrero.

On request of Senator Flores, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Andrew Hicks.

On request of Senator Hansen, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Yvonne Powers and Brian Thomas.

On request of Senator Krasner, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Jody Smart.

On request of Senator Lange, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Leah Brady.

On request of Senator Neal, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Dr. Art Martinez.

On request of Senator Nguyen, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Brian Mason.

On request of Senator Ohrenschall, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Tammi Tiger.

On request of Senator Pazina, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Dr. Arlie Stops.

On request of Senator Rogich, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Arnold Thomas.

On request of Senator Scheible, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Marisa Gartiez and Marco Ovando.

On request of Senator Steinbeck, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Staci Emm.

On request of Senator Stone, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Janet Myers.

On request of Senator Taylor, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Andrea Martinez.

On request of Senator Titus, the privilege of the floor of the Senate Chamber for this day was extended to Darryl Brady.

Senator Cannizzaro moved that the Senate adjourn until Wednesday, February 12, 2025, at 11:00 a.m.

Motion carried.

Senate adjourned at 12:17 p.m.

Approved:

STAVROS ANTHONY
President of the Senate

Attest: BRENDAN BUCY

Secretary of the Senate