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#### SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS

#### SUNSET SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION

#### Nevada Revised Statutes 232B.210

This summary presents the recommendations approved by the Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission at its work sessions held on March 4, April 8, May 6, and June 4 of 2014. The recommendations will be submitted to the Legislative Commission for its consideration and possible inclusion in bill draft requests to be forwarded to the 2015 Legislature.

#### **Entities Continued**

- 1. Advisory Committee on Participatory Democracy (NRS 225.240)
- 2. Board of Examiners for Long-Term Care Administrators (NRS 654.050)
- 3. Commission on Nuclear Projects (NRS 459.0091)
- 4. Land Use Planning Advisory Council (NRS 321.740)
- 5. Nevada Commission on Homeland Security (NRS 239C.120)
- 6. Nevada Equal Rights Commission (NRS 233.030)
- 7. Nevada Transportation Authority (NRS 706.1511)
- 8. State Apprenticeship Council (NRS 610.030)
- 9. State Historical Records Advisory Board (NRS 378A.030)
- 10. State Predatory Animal and Rodent Committee (NRS 567.020)

#### Entities Continued With Recommendations for Statutory Revisions

- 1. Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice (NRS 176.0123)
- 2. Board for the Education and Counseling of Displaced Homemakers (NRS 388.615)
- 3. Committee to Approve Schedules for the Retention and Disposition of Official State Records (NRS 239.073)
- 4. Committee for the Statewide Alert System (NRS 432.350)
- 5. Employment Security Council (NRS 612.305)
- 6. Executive Council of the Land Use Planning Advisory Council (NRS 321.755)
- 7. Medical Care Advisory Group (NRS 422.151)
- 8. Nevada Commission for Women (NRS 233I.020)

#### **Entities Consolidated**

- 1. Board of Examiners for Audiology and Speech Pathology (NRS 637B.100)
- 2. Board of Hearing Aid Specialists (NRS 637A.030)

#### **Entities Terminated**

- 1. Advisory Board on Water Resources Planning and Development (NRS 540.111)
- 2. Advisory Committee Concerning the Children's Health Insurance Program (NRS 233A.104)

- 3. Advisory Committee Concerning Sickle Cell Anemia (NRS 442.118)
- 4. Advisory Committee to the Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee and the Drug Use Review Board (NRS 422.4055)
- 5. Board of Trustees of the Fund for the Institutional Care of the Medically Indigent (NRS 428.470)
- 6. Collection Agency Advisory Board (NRS 649.047)
- 7. Nevada Academy of Health (NRS 439B.250)
- 8. Rural Advisory Board to Expedite Proceedings for the Placement of Children (NRS 432B.602)
- 9. State and Local Government Panel on Renewable and Efficient Energy (NRS 701.450)

#### Entities Terminated With Functions Transferred

- 1. Advisory Committee on the Arthritis Prevention and Control Program (NRS 439.503)
- 2. Advisory Committee for the Prevention and Treatment of Stroke and Heart Disease (NRS 439.492)

### REPORT TO THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION BY THE SUNSET SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION

#### I. INTRODUCTION

The Sunset Subcommittee is a permanent subcommittee of the Legislative Commission whose authorization and duties are set forth in Chapter 232B ("Legislative Review of Public Agencies") of the *Nevada Revised Statutes* (NRS). Created in 2011 with the enactment of Senate Bill 251 (Chapter 480, *Statutes of Nevada*), the Subcommittee is responsible for conducting reviews of all boards, commissions, and similar entities in Nevada that are not provided in the *Nevada Constitution* or established by an Executive Order of the Governor. The Subcommittee is charged with determining whether those entities should be terminated, modified, consolidated with another board or commission, or continued. On or before June 30 of each even-numbered year, the Subcommittee must make its recommendations, if any, for improving the boards, commissions, or other similar entities that are to be modified, consolidated, or continued.

In 2013, the Legislature enacted Assembly Bill 383 (Chapter 208, *Statutes of Nevada*) to provide that in any interim the Subcommittee, with the approval of the Legislative Commission, may request up to four audits of boards or commissions to be performed by the Legislative Auditor. Statutory provisions were amended to provide that the three members from the general public would be nonvoting.

The creation of the Subcommittee, its membership, powers, and duties, are codified in NRS 232B.210 through 232B.250. (See Appendix A for a copy of these statutes.)

During the 2013–2014 Interim, members of the Subcommittee included the legislators listed below. The nonlegislative members listed were nominated by the Governor and appointed by the Chair of the Legislative Commission.

Assemblywoman Irene Bustamante Adams, Chair Senator Patricia (Pat) Spearman, Vice Chair Senator David R. Parks Senator James A. Settelmeyer Assemblyman Richard (Skip) Daly Assemblywoman Michele Fiore David Goldwater William (Buzz) Harris Teresa (Terry) Rankin

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and James W. Penrose, Senior Principal Deputy Legislative Counsel; and Heidi A. Chlarson, Principal Deputy Legislative Counsel, of the Legal Division.

#### II. SUMMARY OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE 2013–2014 SUNSET SUBCOMMITTEE

The Subcommittee held six meetings in Las Vegas, Nevada, including four work sessions, during the 2013–2014 Interim. All of the hearings were conducted through simultaneous videoconferences between legislative meeting rooms in the Grant Sawyer State Office Building in Las Vegas and the Legislative Building in Carson City. Pursuant to the Subcommittee's charge in NRS 232B.220, the members selected and reviewed 31 boards, commissions, and similar entities. The members heard a series of in-depth briefings on each of the entities. The following are summaries of the Subcommittee's activities at each meeting, with the Subcommittee's final recommendation in italics.

#### A. JANUARY 13, 2014, MEETING

The Subcommittee's first meeting was held on January 13, 2014. Members of the Subcommittee were provided lists of boards, commissions, and similar entities, compiled using the *Directory of State and Local Government*, as included in the *Nevada Legislative Manual*. The members selected 20 entities for review; however, one of these was later removed at the request of the member who selected it, and another was determined to be outside the purview of the Subcommittee, as provided in Chapter 232B of NRS. In addition, 13 boards and commissions, identified as inactive, were selected for review.

Pursuant to NRS 232B.230, each board and commission must submit to the Subcommittee certain information about its purpose and operations. The members approved revisions to the form, titled "Information Concerning Board or Commission Subject to Review by the Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission," previously adopted by the Subcommittee in the 2011–2012 Interim. The form requires a board or commission to include information on income, expenses, and reserves; minutes of meetings; citations of the *Nevada Administrative Code* sections adopted by the board or commission; copies of any legislative audits; and any civil or criminal actions taken by or against the board or commission.

At this meeting, the Subcommittee received a report from the Secretary of the **Nevada Funeral** and **Cemetery Services Board**. In the 2011–2012 Interim, the Subcommittee recommended terminating the Nevada State Funeral Board, changing the Board to an advisory board, and transferring its duties to the Department of Health and Human Services. Subsequently, the Legislature enacted Assembly Bill 494 (Chapter 348, *Statutes of Nevada 2013*), which amended that recommendation to create the present Board and to require a status report from the Board to the Subcommittee periodically throughout the 2013–2014 Interim.

For copies of materials relating to this agenda, including tables of boards and commissions and the report of the Nevada Funeral and Cemetery Services Board, see the minutes of the meeting at <a href="http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Interim/77th2013/Minutes/Sunset/IM-Sunset-011314-10766.pdf">http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Interim/77th2013/Minutes/Sunset/IM-Sunset-011314-10766.pdf</a>. (See Appendix B for a table titled "Nevada State Government Boards, Commissions, and Similar Entities, December 2013.")

#### B. FEBRUARY 3, 2014, MEETING

The Subcommittee's second meeting was held on February 3, 2014. The members heard from the entities listed below. For copies of materials relating to review of these boards and commissions, see the minutes of the meeting at <a href="http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Interim/77th2013/Minutes/Sunset//IM-Sunset-020314-10766.pdf">http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Interim/77th2013/Minutes/Sunset//IM-Sunset-020314-10766.pdf</a>.

• Nevada Commission for Women (NRS 233I.020) was created in 1991. Its purpose is to act as a clearinghouse for information for women and children and to organize community service programs. Records from the 1990s exist for meetings, including a roster of members of the Commission, and reports and publications. The staff of the Governor, who is the appointing authority, confirmed that the Commission is considered inactive. (See the minutes, Exhibit H.)

Subsequently, the Governor's Deputy Chief of Staff informed the Subcommittee that the Governor would consider reactivating the Commission. (For a copy of the correspondence from the Deputy Chief of Staff, see the minutes of the June 4, 2014, meeting of the Subcommittee, Exhibit D, at <a href="http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Interim/77th2013/Minutes/Sunset//IM-Sunset-060414-10766.pdf">http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Interim/77th2013/Minutes/Sunset//IM-Sunset-060414-10766.pdf</a>.)

At the June 4, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended continuing the Commission. It further recommended amending the NRS to require that the membership of the Commission reflect diverse demographic groups. Finally, the members approved sending a letter to the Governor to support the reactivation of the Commission. (See Appendix C for a copy of the letter.)

• Rural Advisory Board to Expedite Proceedings for the Placement of Children (NRS 432B.602) was established in 1999. The Board is to review adoption issues and to move children out of foster care as soon as possible. The district courts in rural counties are to establish local advisory boards to expedite proceedings. From each local advisory board, the district court is to appoint two members to serve on the Rural Advisory Board. The Deputy Division Administrator for the Division of Child and Family Services, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), confirmed that the Rural Advisory Board does not meet. (See the minutes, Exhibit C.)

At the April 8, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended repeal of provisions of the NRS relating to the Rural Advisory Board. It further recommended that the DHHS

review the status and continued viability of the local advisory boards as established pursuant to NRS 432B.604.

• Advisory Committee for the Prevention and Treatment of Stroke and Heart Disease (NRS 439.492) was established in 2009. The purpose is to establish a collaborative plan to address cardiovascular diseases. The plan would demonstrate the State's commitment when applying for federal funding. The Chief of the Bureau of Child, Family, and Community Wellness, DHHS, confirmed that the Advisory Committee does not meet and recommended that these issues could be transferred to the Advisory Council on the State Program for Wellness and the Prevention of Chronic Disease (CWCD) (NRS 439.518), which has similar goals to prevent chronic disease. (See the minutes, Exhibit D.)

At the March 4, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended repeal of all provisions of NRS 439.491 through 439.494 and transfer of the functions to the CWCD. It further recommended amending NRS 439.517 and 439.521 to ensure that the CWCD and the Division of Public and Behavioral Health include stroke and heart disease among the chronic diseases covered by the CWCD, including outreach efforts to certain segments of the population. It also recommended the transfer of any money remaining in the account created for the Advisory Committee to the account created for the CWCD for purposes relating to stroke and heart disease prevention. Finally, it approved sending a letter to the Director of DHHS asking for a status report on activities of the CWCD relating to stroke and heart disease prevention on or before January 1, 2016. (See Appendix C for a copy of the letter.)

• Advisory Committee on the Arthritis Prevention and Control Program (NRS 439.503) was created in 2003. Its purpose is to provide a statutory structure to demonstrate the State's commitment to funding sources, such as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Arthritis Foundation. The Chief of the Bureau of Child, Family, and Community Wellness stated that the CWCD has similar goals and could advise on these issues. She also noted that, due to a lack of funding and staff capacity, DHHS would recommend sunsetting this Committee. (See the minutes, Exhibit E.)

At the April 8, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended repealing provisions relating to the Advisory Committee. It further recommended amending the NRS to provide that the CWCD include arthritis among the chronic diseases covered by the CWCD. Finally, it approved sending a letter to the Director of DHHS, asking for a status report on activities of the CWCD relating to arthritis prevention and control by January 1, 2016. (See Appendix C for a copy of the letter.)

• Nevada Academy of Health (NRS 439B.250) was created in 2007. It originated in a recommendation developed by Governor Guinn's Commission on Medical Education, Research, and Training. The Academy is to be a clearinghouse and a medical think tank that might eventually become a not-for-profit corporation. It is established to provide

assistance to the Legislative Committee on Health Care and DHHS. It has not posted meetings and minutes since 2009. (See the minutes, Exhibit F.)

At the March 4, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended repealing the provisions creating the Academy.

• Advisory Committee Concerning Sickle Cell Anemia (NRS 442.118) was established in 1989. Its purpose is to gather information and make recommendations regarding screening and awareness programs relating to sickle cell anemia. The Chief of the Bureau of Child, Family, and Community Wellness stated that the Newborn Screening Advisory Committee has historically included sickle cell anemia on its agendas. She testified that DHHS would recommend sunsetting this Committee. (See the minutes, Exhibit G.)

At the March 4, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended repealing provisions relating to the Advisory Committee. It also voted to require the State Board of Health and DHHS to ensure that sickle cell anemia is addressed through a targeted program of newborn screening and awareness. Finally, it approved sending a letter to the Director of DHHS asking for a status report on activities relating to newborn screening by January 1, 2016. (See Appendix C for a copy of the letter.)

• Advisory Board on Water Resources Planning and Development (NRS 540.111) was created in 1989. Its purpose is to advise the Water Planning Section. It worked to develop a State Water Plan in 1999. The State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources dissolved the Division of Water Planning in 2000. The Division's programs were transferred to the Division of Water Resources. The staff of the Governor, who is the appointing authority, confirmed that the Board is considered inactive. (See the minutes, Exhibit B.)

At the June 4, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended repealing provisions relating to the Advisory Board. (For a copy of a document providing background on the Drought Response Committee, see the minutes of the June 4, 2014, meeting of the Subcommittee, Exhibit B, tab labeled "Water," at <a href="http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Interim/77th2013/Minutes/Sunset/IM-Sunset-060414-10766.pdf">http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Interim/77th2013/Minutes/Sunset/IM-Sunset-060414-10766.pdf</a>.)

• Collection Agency Advisory Board (NRS 649.047) was enacted in 1989. Its purpose is to advise the Legislature on collection agencies. The Commissioner of Financial Institutions indicated he would not object to discontinuing the Board. The staff of the Governor, who is the appointing authority, confirmed that the Board is considered inactive. (See the minutes, Exhibit I.)

At the March 4, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended repealing NRS 649.047 and 649.049 relating to the Board.

#### C. MARCH 4, 2014, MEETING

The Subcommittee's third meeting was held on March 4, 2014. The members heard from the entities listed below. For copies of materials relating to review of these boards and commissions, see the minutes of the meeting at <a href="http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Interim/77th2013/Minutes/Sunset/IM-Sunset-030414-10766.pdf">http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Interim/77th2013/Minutes/Sunset/IM-Sunset-030414-10766.pdf</a>.

• Advisory Committee on Participatory Democracy (ACPD) (NRS 225.240) was created in 1997 in the Department of Cultural Affairs for the purpose of providing assistance to increase public participation in elections and other civic activities. In 2003, the ACPD was moved to the Office of the Secretary of State. It was also charged with designating the recipient of the Jean Ford Democracy Award. At one time, the ACPD received a grant from the federal Help America Vote Act of 2002. Although a group was assembled to select the recipient of the Award in 2013, all positions on the ACPD are vacant. The Deputy Secretary of State testified that the Secretary believes the ACPD should continue and anticipated that the ACPD will be functioning in time to set goals for the 2014 General Election. (See the minutes, Exhibit B.)

At the April 8, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended continuing the Advisory Committee. It further recommended that the Secretary of State be requested to report to the Chair of the Sunset Subcommittee on or before January 1, 2016, on the activities of the Advisory Committee, including any recommendations for changes to its governing statutes. (See Appendix C for a copy of the letter.)

• Advisory Committee Concerning the Children's Health Insurance Program (NRS 233A.104) was established in 1999 at the request of the Legislative Committee on Health Care. It recommended creation of the Advisory Committee to facilitate enrollment of Native American children in Nevada Check Up. The Advisory Committee is intended to advise the Nevada Indian Commission which in turn advises the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy of its concerns. The Executive Director of the Nevada Indian Commission testified that the Advisory Committee has been inactive since 2003, principally because consultation between the tribes and DHHS has improved. She suggested that the Advisory Committee has served its purpose and could be terminated. (See the minutes, Exhibit C.)

At the April 8, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended repealing the Advisory Committee.

• Committee to Approve Schedules for the Retention and Disposition of Official State Records (NRS 239.073) was added to the NRS in 1993. Prior to that, the State Board of Examiners approved the retention schedule for official State records. The Committee is composed of ex officio members and one public member. The Committee reviews all records for administrative, legal, and fiscal value. It identifies records with historical value that should be transferred to the Division of State Library and Archives and advises

agencies when records have become obsolete and can be destroyed. (See the minutes, Exhibit E.)

At the April 8, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended continuation of the Committee. It further recommended a revision to the NRS to provide for additional penalties for the destruction of official State records outside the provisions of the approved retention schedule, which penalty may be civil or administrative, including a reprimand. Finally, it recommended that the imposition of the new penalties should be accompanied by an educational component to ensure that individuals who have responsibility for official records are informed of the changes.

• Land Use Planning Advisory Council (NRS 321.740) was created in 1973 as part of the larger issue of land use planning. The members of the Council include one representative from each county and a representative of the Nevada Association of Counties. The Advisory Council and the Executive Council are supported by the staff from the Division of State Lands. The Administrator of the Division of State Lands informed the Subcommittee that the Advisory Council and the Executive Council create a tool for the counties to use in addressing issues in planning and development. (See the minutes, Exhibit D.)

At the June 4, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended continuation of the Advisory Council.

• Executive Council of the Land Use Planning Advisory Council (NRS 321.755) was added in 1977 to decide land use planning conflicts among local governments and political subdivisions and to address areas of critical environmental concern. The Executive Council consists of four members of the Advisory Council, selected by its members. The Advisory Council and the Executive Council are supported by the staff from the Division of State Lands. The Administrator of the Division of State Lands informed the Subcommittee that the Advisory Council and the Executive Council create a tool for the counties to use in addressing issues in planning and development. (See the minutes, Exhibit D-1.)

At the June 4, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended the continuation of the Executive Council. It further recommended amending the NRS to provide that the membership of the Executive Council must ensure a geographic distribution among Nevada's counties. Finally, the Subcommittee recommended amending the NRS to provide that regulations relating to planning for areas of critical environmental concern shall be adopted by the full Land Use Planning Advisory Council and not the Executive Council. (For a copy of the correspondence from the Acting Administrator, Division of State Lands, see the minutes of the June 4, 2014, meeting of the Subcommittee, Exhibit E, at <a href="http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Interim/77th2013/Minutes/Sunset/IM-Sunset-060414-10766.pdf">http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Interim/77th2013/Minutes/Sunset/IM-Sunset-060414-10766.pdf</a>.)

**State Historical Records Advisory Board** (NRS 378A.030) was first created in 1976 and attached to the Nevada Advisory Council on Libraries in order to qualify for federal funds to preserve State historical records. The Board was established in the NRS in 1989. The Board advises State and local governments, including the Legislative Counsel Bureau, on historical records. The Chair of the Board testified that no historical documents are destroyed unless approved by the members of the Board, who are appointed by the Governor pursuant to statute to include persons knowledgeable in historical records and archival work. (*See the minutes, Exhibit F.*)

At the April 8, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended continuation of the Advisory Board without any recommended revisions. It further recommended that a letter be sent to the Board urging it to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislative Commission, prior to the 2015 Legislative Session, setting out models and estimated costs for electronic storage of historical records, and that such recommendation be included in the Subcommittee's final report. (See Appendix C for a copy of the letter.)

• State and Local Government Panel on Renewable and Efficient Energy (NRS 701.450) was added to the NRS in 2009. Its purpose is to advise on the retrofitting of public buildings. The Panel is inactive. The Deputy Director of the Office of Energy testified that the Office of Energy is considering ways to activate the Panel and use it in the future. (See the minutes, Exhibit G.)

Subsequently, the Director of the Governor's Office of Energy informed the Subcommittee of his recommendation to terminate the Panel. (For a copy of the correspondence from the Director of the Governor's Office of Energy, see the minutes of the June 4, 2014, meeting of the Subcommittee, Exhibit B, tab labeled "Energy," at <a href="http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Interim/77th2013/Minutes/Sunset/IM-Sunset-060414-10766.pdf">http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Interim/77th2013/Minutes/Sunset/IM-Sunset-060414-10766.pdf</a>.)

At the June 4, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended repealing provisions of the NRS relating to the Panel.

#### D. APRIL 8, 2014, MEETING

The Subcommittee's fourth meeting was held on April 8, 2014. The members heard from the entities listed below. For copies of materials relating to review of these boards and commissions, see the minutes of the meeting at <a href="http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Interim/77th2013/Minutes/Sunset//IM-Sunset-040814-10766.pdf">http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Interim/77th2013/Minutes/Sunset//IM-Sunset-040814-10766.pdf</a>.

Nevada Commission on Homeland Security (NRS 239C.120) was created in 2003 in the
Office of the Governor for the purpose of making recommendations regarding actions to be
taken to protect Nevada's residents and visitors from any acts of terrorism and related
emergencies. It also reviews and approves grant applications, makes recommendations for
distribution of money received from federal homeland security grants, assesses response
agencies and systems of communications, and coordinates among government agencies to

avoid duplication. The Chair of the Commission testified that funds available for distribution have decreased in recent years, due in part to reallocation of federal funds and in part to the economic downturn. He noted that the Federal Emergency Management Agency has designated Nevada's homeland security processes as among the best in the nation. The Commission had no recommendations for statutory changes. (See the minutes, Exhibits B and B-1.)

At the May 6, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended continuation without any recommended revisions. It further recommended that the Commission work closely with the entities overseeing hazardous waste in Nevada.

• Medical Care Advisory Group (NRS 422.151) was established in 1975 to advise the Welfare Division of DHHS regarding services for welfare recipients and to participate in the development of policy and the administration of programs. The Administrator of the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy testified that the role of the Group is to provide a public forum for recipients and providers. The position in the Group designated to be filled by a person who is a Medicaid recipient has been vacant for a number of years; the Administrator stated that nominations to fill that position have been requested. The Administrator recommended that the NRS be revised to change the name from "Group" to "Committee", which is the name that it uses. (See the minutes, Exhibit F.)

At the May 6, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended continuation. It further recommended revisions to the NRS to change the name from "Group" to "Committee" and to increase the terms of members from one year to two years, staggering the initial appointments made following the statutory revision.

• Committee for the Statewide Alert System (NRS 432.350) was included in legislation in 2003 to implement an "Amber Alert" system. The Chair of the Committee stated that the Committee's role is to review any activation of the Alert System (approximately 40 such activations have occurred since 2003). Participation by law enforcement and media has been excellent. The Chair of the Committee suggested the statutory changes to enable the Committee to function more efficiently. The Chair testified the Committee has no budget account, which impacts its ability to apply for and receive grants. (See the minutes, Exhibit C.)

At the May 6, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended continuation. It further recommended revisions to the NRS to authorize the Committee to apply for grants; to establish an account in the General Fund to receive gifts, grants, and donations and to expend the funds from the account for its purposes; and to authorize reimbursement to non-agency representatives for expenses related to service on the Committee, if funds are available.

• State Predatory Animal and Rodent Committee (NRS 567.020) was added to the statutes in 1949. The Committee may enter into cooperative agreements with the United States

Department of Agriculture. According to the Director of the State Department of Agriculture, the Committee has not met for approximately 15 years. The Director urged continuation because the Committee offers a forum to meet and discuss common interests among certain State agencies, including representatives of the State Board of Health, the Board of Wildlife Commissioners, and the State Board of Agriculture, and agricultural producers. (See the minutes, Exhibit I.)

At the May 6, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended continuation without any recommended revisions. It further recommended that the Director of the State Department of Agriculture be requested to report to the Chair of the Sunset Subcommittee on or before January 1, 2016, on the activities of the Committee during the remainder of 2014 and in 2015. (See Appendix C for a copy of the letter.)

• **Board of Hearing Aid Specialists** (NRS 637A.030) was established in 1973 to license dispensers of hearing aids. The Chair of the Board expressed concern regarding a proposal, offered by the Board of Examiners for Audiology and Speech Pathology (BEASP), to merge the two boards. The Chair testified that the hearing aid specialists anticipate fee increases, if the boards were to merge, and a diminished voice on a new board. The Board proposed statutory changes. (*See the minutes, Exhibits E and E-1.*)

At the June 4, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended consolidation with the BEASP (NRS 637B.100). It further recommended amending the NRS to ensure compliance with administrative procedures as provided in Chapters 233B, 622, and 622A of NRS. The Subcommittee also recommended the following revisions to the NRS that had been proposed by the Board: (1) to provide for a temporary license to an individual whose license or certificate issued in another state is in good standing; and (2) to increase the limitations on fees.

(For copies of the following documents relating to the Board, see the minutes of the June 4, 2014, meeting of the Subcommittee, Exhibit B, tab labeled "Hearing Aid," at <a href="http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Interim/77th2013/Minutes/Sunset/IM-Sunset-060414-10766.pdf">http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Interim/77th2013/Minutes/Sunset/IM-Sunset-060414-10766.pdf</a>: correspondence from Subcommittee member Teresa Rankin, regarding administrative procedures; a letter from Melissa Maestas, Chair of the Board of Hearing Aid Specialists [BHAS], expressing opposition to the proposed merger; and background information on Board operations. In addition, for a copy of a letter from Kathleen Mennillo, MBA, Executive Director, International Hearing Society, see the minutes of the June 4 meeting, Exhibit H.)

• Board of Examiners for Audiology and Speech Pathology (NRS 637B.100) was created in 1979 to ensure professional standards and consumer protection. A representative testified that an audiologist who dispenses hearing aids must get two licenses. The Board proposed draft legislation to merge the Board with the BHAS and to permit audiologists to obtain one license, under which licensees could diagnose hearing conditions and also dispense hearing aids. It also recommended creation of a new license for speech therapists

and a provisional license, authorization to telepractice, and other administrative changes. (See the minutes, Exhibit D.)

At the June 4, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended consolidation with the BHAS (NRS 637A.030). It further recommended amending the NRS to ensure compliance with administrative procedures as provided in Chapters 233B, 622, and 622A of NRS.

(For copies of the following documents relating to the Board, see the minutes of the June 4, 2014, meeting of the Subcommittee, Exhibit B, tab labeled "Audiology," <a href="http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Interim/77th2013/Minutes/Sunset/IM-Sunset-060414-10766.pdf">http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Interim/77th2013/Minutes/Sunset//IM-Sunset-060414-10766.pdf</a>: correspondence from Subcommittee member Teresa Rankin, regarding administrative procedures; recommendations for the composition of a merged board; correspondence from Loretta L. Ponton, Executive Director of the BEASP; and background information on policies in other states. In addition, for a copy of a document setting out a proposed consolidated structure, see the June 4 minutes at Exhibit I.)

• **Board of Examiners for Long-Term Care Administrators** (NRS 654.050) was created in 1969 to meet federal Medicare requirements. In 1993, statutes governing nursing facilities were amended to include residential facilities. The Board is collaborating with the National Association of Long Term Care Administrator Boards to create a national credential. No changes to the NRS are anticipated to accommodate the new credential. (*See the minutes, Exhibit G.*)

At the May 6, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended continuation of the Board without any recommended revisions.

• Nevada Transportation Authority (NRS 706.1511) is authorized to regulate certain carriers, operators of tow cars, and brokers of regulated services. Its responsibilities include processing applications, enforcing regulations, and ensuring compliance. The Nevada Transportation Authority (NTA) regulates all taxicabs outside of Clark County; the Chair of the NTA indicated that the two systems are quite different and consolidation would require significant policy decisions. The Chair testified that the NTA has no statutory authority to assess any vehicle fees or licensing fees to certain intrastate operators, including charter bus operators and household goods movers. The NTA had no recommendations for statutory changes. (See the minutes, Exhibits H, H-1, and H-2.)

At the June 4, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended continuation without any recommended revisions.

#### **E.** MAY 6, 2014, MEETING

The Subcommittee's fifth meeting was held on May 6, 2014. The members heard from the entities listed below. For copies of materials relating to review of these boards and commissions, see the minutes of the meeting at <a href="http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Interim/77th2013/Minutes/Sunset/IM-Sunset-050614-10766.pdf">http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Interim/77th2013/Minutes/Sunset/IM-Sunset-050614-10766.pdf</a>.

• Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice (ACAJ) (NRS 176.0123), added to the statutes in 1995, was proposed by Governor Bob Miller as the Advisory Commission on Sentencing. The name was changed to its current form in 2007. There are four statutory subcommittees of the ACAJ, as well as two studies assigned in the 2013-2014 Interim. Its duties include reviewing the criminal justice system, evaluating the impact of policies and practices, considering juvenile justice in Nevada, and reporting and making recommendations on the administration of justice. The Chair of the ACAJ recommended that the ACAJ be granted authority to request bill drafts. The Chair also suggested the resolution of the overlapping duties of the ACAJ with the Legislative Committee on Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice and with the Attorney General's Advisory Committee to Study Sex Offender Registration Laws. (See the minutes, Exhibit B.)

At the June 4, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended continuation. It also recommended amending the NRS to provide that the ACAJ may request up to five bill drafts in each legislative session, that the ACAJ's Subcommittee on Juvenile Justice (NRS 176.0124) be repealed, and that a new subcommittee on civil procedure be established.

• Nevada Equal Rights Commission (NERC) (NRS 233.030) was established in 1961. The Commission is to work to improve understanding among demographic groups, study problems, seek cooperation in educational campaigns, and work with federal and State agencies to carry out its responsibilities. The Commission may order investigations, mediate among parties, issue subpoenas, hold hearings, and adopt regulations. It receives between 900 and 1,000 complaints annually; most complaints relate to race, gender, or sexual orientation. Because of staff vacancies, the wait time before meeting with an investigator can be up to five weeks. Approximately 46 percent of cases close within six months of filing. Because NERC contracts with the federal Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the two agencies share information on cases. The Commission did not have any recommendations for revisions. (See the minutes, Exhibit D.)

At the June 4, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended continuation without any recommended revisions. It further recommended that: (1) the appropriation to NERC be increased over current levels so that additional investigative staff may be hired for the purpose of reducing the wait time between the filing of a complaint and the intake interview; (2) NERC establish a formal process for customer feedback; and

- (3) the Subcommittee's final report include a statement of concern that entities doing business with the State of Nevada abide by its equal employment opportunity laws.
- Board for the Education and Counseling of Displaced Homemakers (NRS 388.615) was added to the statutes in 1989. Earlier legislation, creating a center for services for displaced homemakers, expired by limitation in 1985. Within funds available, the Board is to establish centers to provide services, including counseling, employment skills, financial management, and referrals to community services. The Board receives funding pursuant to NRS 19.033, which provides that a \$20 fee shall be added to any action to commence a divorce. These funds shall be placed in an account in the State General Fund to be administered by the Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation (DETR) for these programs. The Board suggested revisions to the NRS 19.033. (See the minutes, Exhibit E.)

At the June 4, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended continuation. It also recommended amending the NRS to provide that the \$20 fee applied at the commencement of divorce proceedings (NRS 19.033) be applied at the commencement of the dissolution of domestic partnerships as well. The Subcommittee also recommended amending the NRS to provide that the Board member who represents displaced homemakers may be either a current or a former displaced homemaker. It further recommended that the Board and DETR develop a website for the displaced homemaker programs and that the Board report the status of the development of the website to the Subcommittee by January 1, 2016. (See Appendix C for a copy of the letter. For a copy of a memorandum providing background information on the Board, see the minutes of the June 4, 2014, meeting of the Subcommittee, Exhibit B, tab labeled "Homemakers," at <a href="http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Interim/77th2013/Minutes/Sunset/IM-Sunset-060414-10766.pdf">http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Interim/77th2013/Minutes/Sunset/IM-Sunset-060414-10766.pdf</a>.)

• Advisory Committee to the Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee and the Drug Use Review Board (NRS 422.4055) was established in 2003 to ensure public participation in the activities of the Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&T) Committee and the Drug Use Review (DUR) Board. Members of the Advisory Committee include representatives of AARP, the Alliance for the Mentally Ill of Nevada, and the Statewide Independent Living Council. A representative of the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy in DHHS informed the Subcommittee that the Advisory Committee had served its purpose; both the P&T Committee and the DUR Board comply with Nevada's Open Meeting Law, which provides opportunity for public comment. The representative recommended terminating the Advisory Committee. (See the minutes, Exhibit H.)

At the June 4, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended repealing provisions of the NRS relating to the Advisory Committee.

• Board of Trustees of the Fund for the Institutional Care of the Medically Indigent (NRS 428.470) was created in 1997 as part of larger legislation to realign the responsibility for the Medicaid match for long-term indigent care from the local governments to the State.

The Board consists of five county commissioners, nominated by the Nevada Association of Counties and appointed by the Governor. The Fund was established to serve as a revenue pool to assist counties with their portion of the long-term care costs and did receive General Fund appropriations for several years. Beginning in 2003, when the State began to pay for the long-term care costs, the Fund became inactive. The Board currently has no members. (See the minutes, Exhibit I.)

At the June 4, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended repealing provisions of the NRS relating to the Board and the Fund.

• Commission on Nuclear Projects (NRS 459.0091) was added to the statutes in 1985. Its mission is to be informed on issues and developments relating to the disposal of radioactive waste, to report to the Governor and the Legislature, and to oversee the Agency for Nuclear Projects. The Chair of the Commission reported that recently a federal district court has issued a directive to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission to restart the licensing proceedings on the Yucca Mountain Nuclear Waste Repository. The Chair reported that the Commission currently has no budget; its expenses are covered by the Office of the Attorney General. The Chair had no recommendations for changes, although members of the Subcommittee indicated that the Commission might explore ways that the Commission and the Legislative Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste could work together. (See the minutes, Exhibits C and C-1.)

At the June 4, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended continuation of the Commission without any recommended revisions. It further recommended that a letter be sent to the Chair of the Legislative Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste, recommending that in the interest of public safety, the Committee introduce in the 78th Session a resolution urging the U.S. Congress to revise certain provisions of the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, as amended, relating to the definition of high-level radioactive waste and low-level radioactive waste. (See Appendix C for a copy of the letter.)

• State Apprenticeship Council (NRS 610.030) was created in 1939. The Council has the authority to establish standards for programs and agreements, adopt regulations, and approve and discipline programs. Testimony was received that current Nevada statutes conform to federal regulations that existed in 1977 but do not conform to federal regulations adopted in 2008. According to testimony, to meet the new federal regulations the State Apprenticeship Council must be revised to become advisory, while a new State apprenticeship agency must be created to administer apprenticeship programs. Federal recognition of Nevada's apprenticeship programs may eventually be dependent on compliance with federal regulations. The Council's Action Plan indicates that the Council will hold a workshop in August 2014 to discuss revisions to Nevada's apprenticeship laws and regulations. Council members urged continuation of the Council in its present regulatory role. (See the minutes, Exhibits F, F-1, and F-2.)

At the June 4, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended continuation of the Council without any recommended revisions. It further recommended that the State Apprenticeship Council and the Labor Commissioner work with the U.S. Secretary of Labor to identify changes that must be made to obtain federal recognition of Nevada's apprenticeship programs, while maintaining the role of the Council, and that a report of the status of those efforts be made to the Subcommittee prior to the convening of the 78th Session of the Legislature. (See Appendix C for a copy of the letter.)

• **Nevada Employment Security Council** (NRS 612.305) was added to the statutes in 1941. The Council is to advise the Administrator of the Employment Security Division (ESD) on unemployment, worker training, establishment of reserves for public works, and research studies on these topics. The Administrator reported that in recent years, the Council has focused its advice on setting unemployment insurance rates. The Board of Review, consisting of three members of the Council, is authorized to review decisions from the ESD on appeal. The Council made no recommendations for revisions to its governing statutes. (*See the minutes, Exhibits G and G-1.*)

At the June 4, 2014, work session, the Subcommittee recommended continuation. It further recommended amending the NRS to revise the duties of the Council to align with current practices. It urged the Council and the Employment Security Division to ensure that Council members appointed to the Board of Review are provided opportunities for training relating to administrative hearing standards.

The Subcommittee members also received a written report from the **Nevada Funeral and Cemetery Services Board**, pursuant to the provisions of A.B. 494 (2013). (See the minutes, Exhibit K.)

#### **F. JUNE 4, 2014, MEETING**

The Subcommittee's sixth and final meeting was held on June 4, 2014. It made recommendations regarding all boards and commissions that it had not previously considered, including: Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice; Nevada Equal Rights Commission; Nevada Commission for Women; Land Use Planning Advisory Council; Executive Council of the Land Use Planning Advisory Council; Board for the Education and Counseling of Displaced Homemakers; Advisory Committee to the Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee and the Drug Use Review Board; Board of Trustees of the Fund for the Institutional Care of the Medically Indigent; Commission on Nuclear Projects; Advisory Board on Water Resources Planning and Development; State Apprenticeship Council; Nevada Employment Security Council; Board of Hearing Aid Specialists; Board of Examiners for Audiology and Speech Pathology; State and Local Government Panel on Renewable and Efficient Energy; and Nevada Transportation Authority. A summary of the actions taken by the Subcommittee on these entities is provided under the meeting date at which the entity made its initial presentation.

#### III. SUBCOMMITTEE ACTIONS, RECOMMENDATIONS, AND STATEMENTS

At each work session, the Subcommittee considered numerous recommendations for action by the Legislative Commission. The Subcommittee considered sending letters to the Governor, chairs of statutory interim committees, and selected State agencies. The members also voted to include statements of concern or other recommendations in its final report.

#### A. ACTIONS

A summary of the Subcommittee's actions is listed below.

#### Entities Recommended for Continuation

Advisory Committee on Participatory Democracy (NRS 225.240)

Board of Examiners for Long-Term Care Administrators (NRS 654.050)

Commission on Nuclear Projects (NRS 459.0091)

Land Use Planning Advisory Council (NRS 321.740)

Nevada Commission on Homeland Security (NRS 239C.120)

Nevada Equal Rights Commission (NRS 233.030)

Nevada Transportation Authority (NRS 706.1511)

State Apprenticeship Council (NRS 610.030)

State Historical Records Advisory Board (NRS 378A.030)

State Predatory Animal and Rodent Committee (NRS 567.020)

#### Entities Recommended for Continuation With Recommendations for Statutory Revisions

Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice (NRS 176.0123)

Board for the Education and Counseling of Displaced Homemakers (NRS 388.615)

Committee to Approve Schedules for the Retention and Disposition of Official State Records (NRS 239.073)

Committee for the Statewide Alert System (NRS 432.350)

Nevada Employment Security Council (NRS 612.305)

Executive Council of the Land Use Planning Advisory Council (NRS 321.755)

Medical Care Advisory Group (NRS 422.151)

Nevada Commission for Women (NRS 233I.020)

#### Entities Recommended for Consolidation

Board of Examiners for Audiology and Speech Pathology (NRS 637B.100)

Board of Hearing Aid Specialists (NRS 637A.030)

#### Entities Recommended for Termination

Advisory Board on Water Resources Planning and Development (NRS 540.111)

Advisory Committee Concerning the Children's Health Insurance Program (NRS 233A.104)

Advisory Committee Concerning Sickle Cell Anemia (NRS 442.118)

Advisory Committee to the Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee and the Drug Use Review Board (NRS 422.4055)

Board of Trustees of the Fund for the Institutional Care of the Medically Indigent (NRS 428.470)

Collection Agency Advisory Board (NRS 649.047)

Nevada Academy of Health (NRS 439B.250)

Rural Advisory Board to Expedite Proceedings for the Placement of Children (NRS 432B.602)

State and Local Government Panel on Renewable and Efficient Energy (NRS 701.450)

#### Entities Recommended for Termination With Functions Transferred

Advisory Committee on the Arthritis Prevention and Control Program (NRS 439.503)

Advisory Committee for the Prevention and Treatment of Stroke and Heart Disease (NRS 439.492)

#### B. ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS AND STATEMENTS

**Nevada Equal Rights Commission** (NERC) (NRS 233.030)—At the Subcommittee's review of the Commission on May 6, 2014, the Subcommittee received information that the wait time between the initial filing of a complaint and the intake interview with an investigator may be as much as five weeks. The Subcommittee also discussed with the Administrator of the Commission the most common complaints. Subsequently, the Administrator indicated that NERC is precluded from identifying the parties named in NERC investigations.

At its work session on June 4, 2014, the Subcommittee voted to make the following recommendations or statements of concern:

- In the 2015–2017 Biennium, the Subcommittee recommends that the appropriation to the Commission should be increased to fund additional staff for the purpose of reducing the amount of time that an individual must wait between the initial filing of a complaint and the intake interview with an investigator.
- Although the Subcommittee did not receive the names of businesses that have been named in complaints, the Subcommittee expresses its concern that corporations, companies, and other establishments conducting business with the State of Nevada should comply with its equal employment opportunity laws.

Committee to Approve Schedules for the Retention and Disposition of Official State Records (NRS 239.073)—At the Subcommittee's review of the Committee on March 4, 2014, the State Archivist presented information on the penalties provided in NRS 239.300 through 239.330 for destroying, altering, or similarly tampering with official State records. The State Archivist observed that enforcement was difficult because such actions are category C felonies.

At its work session on April 8, 2014, the Subcommittee voted to recommend a revision to the NRS to provide for additional penalties. The Subcommittee also urges the Committee to implement an educational component to inform those officials responsible for retention and disposition of public records of the imposition of new penalties for failure to preserve records as provided.

**Nevada Commission on Homeland Security** (NRS 239C.120)—At the Subcommittee's review of the Commission on April 8, 2014, the Subcommittee received information that the Commission has no responsibility for oversight of hazardous waste. Further, it has limited knowledge of the oversight of hazardous waste in Nevada.

At its work session on May 6, 2014, the Subcommittee voted to recommend continuation of the Commission. In addition, the Subcommittee urges the Commission to work with those entities overseeing hazardous waste in Nevada, so that the Commission will be informed and can consider such materials when it recommends actions to address emergencies, assess response agencies and systems of communications, coordinate among government agencies, and approve grant applications.

Rural Advisory Board to Expedite Proceedings for the Placement of Children (NRS 432B.602)—The Subcommittee considered the Rural Advisory Board at its meeting on February 3, 2014. At that time, testimony was received that no records of meeting minutes are available and that it appears the Advisory Board had never met. Subsequently, additional information was provided indicating that many of the local advisory boards, from which the Rural Advisory Board is to draw members, have also never met.

At its work session on April 8, 2014, the Subcommittee recommended repealing the Rural Advisory Board. Because of that recommendation, the Subcommittee also recommends that the DHHS investigate the local advisory boards as provided in NRS 432B.604 to determine their status and purpose. The Subcommittee further requests that the DHHS advise the Legislature of its findings.

**State Apprenticeship Council** (NRS 610.030)—The Subcommittee reviewed the Council at its meeting on May 6, 2014. At that time, the members received testimony regarding the changes in federal regulations, adopted in 2008, governing apprenticeship programs. Testimony was received that members of the Council, the Nevada Labor Commissioner, and other interested parties have not reached agreement on a plan to bring Nevada's apprenticeship programs into alignment with federal regulations.

At its work session on June 4, 2014, the Subcommittee voted to recommend that the Council and the Labor Commissioner work with the U.S. Secretary of Labor to determine changes that must be made to statutes and regulations in order to obtain federal recognition of Nevada's apprenticeship programs. The Subcommittee also wishes to express its desire that the role of the Council be maintained to the greatest extent possible. It requests a status report of these efforts prior to the 78th Session of the Nevada Legislature.

**Nevada Employment Security Council** (NRS 612.305)—The Subcommittee considered the Council at its meeting on May 6, 2014. In its review, the Subcommittee was informed that members of the Council are appointed to serve on the Board of Review, which has the authority pursuant to NRS 612.515 to review a decision from the Appeal Tribunal. Members questioned the training that these Council members receive to serve on the Board of Review.

At its work session on June 4, 2014, the Subcommittee voted to include in its report a statement of concern about the training that Council members receive as preparation to serve on the Board of Review. Therefore, the Subcommittee urges the Council and the Employment Security Division to take steps to ensure that Council members are provided opportunities for training relating to administrative hearing standards.

#### IV. CONCLUDING REMARKS

On October 24, 2014, the Chair provided an overview of the Subcommittee's activities to the Legislative Commission, which subsequently approved the Subcommittee's report and recommendations for revisions to the NRS. Information about suggested legislation, resulting from the recommendations, can be found in **Appendix F** of this report.

The members of the Subcommittee would like to thank the boards, commissions, committees, councils, and other entities chosen for review this interim for their work in preparing the required reports and sending representatives to testify before the Subcommittee. The members also appreciate the assistance and cooperation provided by the staff of the Governor and those of State departments and agencies who assisted boards and commissions to present materials and testify before the Subcommittee.

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### APPENDIX A

Nevada Revised Statutes 232B.210 through 232B.250

#### Nevada Revised Statutes

# NRS 232B.210 Creation; membership; election of Chair and Vice Chair; vacancies; meetings; quorum; compensation; expenses.

- 1. The Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission, consisting of nine members, is hereby created. The membership of the Sunset Subcommittee consists of:
- (a) Three voting members of the Legislature appointed by the Majority Leader of the Senate, at least one of whom must be a member of the minority political party;
- (b) Three voting members of the Legislature appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly, at least one of whom must be a member of the minority political party; and
- (c) Three nonvoting members of the general public appointed by the Chair of the Legislative Commission from among the names of nominees submitted by the Governor pursuant to subsection 2.
- 2. The Governor shall, at least 30 days before the beginning of the term of any member appointed pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection 1, or within 30 days after such a position on the Sunset Subcommittee becomes vacant, submit to the Legislative Commission the names of at least three persons qualified for membership on the Sunset Subcommittee. The Chair of the Legislative Commission shall appoint a new member or fill the vacancy from the list, or request a new list. The Chair of the Legislative Commission may appoint any qualified person who is a resident of this State to a position described in paragraph (c) of subsection 1.
- 3. Each member of the Sunset Subcommittee serves at the pleasure of the appointing authority.
- 4. The voting members of the Sunset Subcommittee shall elect a Chair from one House of the Legislature and a Vice Chair from the other House. Each Chair and Vice Chair holds office for a term of 2 years commencing on July 1 of each odd-numbered year. If a vacancy occurs in the office of Chair or Vice Chair, the vacancy must be filled in the same manner as the original selection for the remainder of the unexpired term.
- 5. The membership of any member of the Sunset Subcommittee who is a Legislator and who is not a candidate for reelection or who is defeated for reelection terminates on the day next after the general election.
- 6. A vacancy on the Sunset Subcommittee must be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.
- 7. The Sunset Subcommittee shall meet at the times and places specified by a call of the Chair. Four voting members of the Sunset Subcommittee constitute a quorum, and a quorum may exercise any power or authority conferred on the Sunset Subcommittee.
- 8. For each day or portion of a day during which a member of the Sunset Subcommittee who is a Legislator attends a meeting of the Sunset Subcommittee or is otherwise engaged in the business of the Sunset Subcommittee, except during a regular or special session of the Legislature, the Legislator is entitled to receive the:
- (a) Compensation provided for a majority of the members of the Legislature during the first 60 days of the preceding regular session;
  - (b) Per diem allowance provided for state officers generally; and
  - (c) Travel expenses provided pursuant to NRS 218A.655.

- → The compensation, per diem allowances and travel expenses of the members of the Sunset Subcommittee who are Legislators must be paid from the Legislative Fund.
- 9. While engaged in the business of the Sunset Subcommittee, the members of the Subcommittee who are not Legislators are entitled to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally.

(Added to NRS by 2011, 2992; A 2013, 787)

#### NRS 232B.220 Review of certain boards and commissions.

- 1. The Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission shall conduct a review of each board and commission in this State which is not provided for in the Nevada Constitution or established by an executive order of the Governor to determine whether the board or commission should be terminated, modified, consolidated with another board or commission or continued. Such a review must include, without limitation:
- (a) An evaluation of the major policies and programs of the board or commission, including, without limitation, an examination of other programs or services offered in this State to determine if any other provided programs or services duplicate those offered by the board or commission;
- (b) Any recommendations for improvements in the policies and programs offered by the board or commission; and
- (c) A determination of whether any statutory tax exemptions, abatements or money set aside to be provided to the board or commission should be terminated, modified or continued.
- 2. The Sunset Subcommittee shall review not less than 10 boards and commissions specified in subsection 1 each legislative interim.
- 3. Any action taken by the Sunset Subcommittee concerning a board or commission pursuant to NRS 232B.210 to 232B.250, inclusive, is in addition or supplemental to any action taken by the Legislative Commission pursuant to NRS 232B.010 to 232B.100, inclusive.

(Added to NRS by 2011, 2994; A 2013, 788)

# NRS 232B.230 Submission of required information by boards and commissions subject to review; assistance from Legislative Counsel Bureau.

- 1. Each board and commission subject to review by the Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission shall submit information to the Sunset Subcommittee on a form prescribed by the Sunset Subcommittee. The information must include, without limitation:
  - (a) The name of the board or commission;
  - (b) The name of each member of the board or commission:
- (c) The address of the Internet website established and maintained by the board or commission, if any;
- (d) The name and contact information of the executive director of the board or commission, if any;
  - (e) A list of the members of the staff of the board or commission;
  - (f) The authority by which the board or commission was created;
- (g) The governing structure of the board or commission, including, without limitation, information concerning the method, terms, qualifications and conditions of appointment and removal of the members of the board or commission;

- (h) The duties of the board or commission;
- (i) The operating budget of the board or commission;
- (j) A statement setting forth the income and expenses of the board or commission for at least 3 years immediately preceding the date on which the board or commission submits the form required by this subsection, including the balances of any fund or account maintained by or on behalf of the board or commission;
  - (k) The most recent audit conducted of the board or commission, if any;
  - (l) The dates of the immediately preceding six meetings held by the board or commission;
  - (m) A statement of the objectives and programs of the board or commission;
- (n) A conclusion concerning the effectiveness of the objectives and programs of the board or commission;
- (o) Any recommendations for statutory changes which are necessary for the board or commission to carry out its objectives and programs; and
  - (p) Such other information as the Sunset Subcommittee may require.
- 2. The Sunset Subcommittee may direct the Legislative Counsel Bureau to assist in its research, investigations, review and analysis of the information submitted by each board and commission pursuant to subsection 1.

(Added to NRS by 2011, 2994)

# NRS 232B.235 Audit of certain boards and commissions: Recommendation; duties of Legislative Commission.

- 1. At any time during a legislative interim, if the Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission determines that a board or commission subject to review by the Sunset Subcommittee should be audited, the Sunset Subcommittee shall make such a recommendation to the Legislative Commission. The Sunset Subcommittee shall include with its recommendation a summary of the justification for the recommendation.
- 2. After receiving a recommendation from the Sunset Subcommittee pursuant to subsection 1, the Legislative Commission shall evaluate the recommendation and determine whether to direct the Legislative Auditor to perform an audit of the board or commission pursuant to NRS 218G.120. In making its determination, the Legislative Commission shall consider the current workload of the Audit Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau.
- 3. The Legislative Auditor shall not perform more than four audits directed by the Legislative Commission pursuant to this section during a legislative interim.

(Added to NRS by 2013, 787)

# NRS 232B.240 Duty to conduct public hearings; consideration of certain reports; burden of proving public need for continued existence of board or commission.

- 1. The Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission shall conduct public hearings for the purpose of obtaining comments on, and may require the Legislative Counsel Bureau to submit reports on, the need for the termination, modification, consolidation or continued operation of a board or commission.
- 2. The Sunset Subcommittee shall consider any report submitted to it by the Legislative Counsel Bureau.

3. A board or commission has the burden of proving that there is a public need for its continued existence.

(Added to NRS by 2011, 2995)

#### NRS 232B.250 Recommendations.

- 1. If the Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission determines to recommend the termination of a board or commission, its recommendation must include suggestions for appropriate direct legislative action, if any, which is made necessary or desirable by the termination of the board or commission.
- 2. If the Sunset Subcommittee determines to recommend the consolidation, modification or continuation of a board or commission, its recommendation must include suggestions for appropriate direct legislative action, if any, which would make the operation of the board or commission or its successor more efficient or effective.
- 3. On or before June 30, 2012, the Sunset Subcommittee shall make all of its initial recommendations pursuant to this section, if any. The Sunset Subcommittee shall make all subsequent recommendations pursuant to this section, if any, on or before June 30 of each even-numbered year occurring thereafter.

(Added to NRS by 2011, 2995)

#### APPENDIX B

Nevada State Government Boards, Commissions, and Similar Entities, December 2013

#### NEVADA STATE GOVERNMENT BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND SIMILAR ENTITIES December 2013

#### **GOVERNOR**

	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Nevada Commission on Homeland Security	NRS 239C.120	2003	16 voting members and other nonvoting members; meets at the call of the chair, but no less than quarterly	10/4/13	
Commission on Nuclear Projects	NRS 459.0091	1985	7 members appointed by the Governor; meeting schedule not specified	6/10/13	
P-20W Advisory Council (formerly P-16 Advisory Council)	NRS 400.030	2007	14 voting members; must meet at least quarterly	4/9/13	
Board of Economic Development	NRS 231.033	2011	9 voting members and 2 nonvoting members; must meet at least quarterly	11/14/13	
New Energy Industry Task Force	NRS 701.500	2009	Director of the Office of Energy and up to 11 members appointed by the Director; meet at the call of the chair	3/26/13	
State and Local Government Panel on Renewable and Efficient Energy	NRS 701.450	2009	Director of the Office of Energy and 7 members appointed by the Director; meet at the call of the Director	Listed as inactive	

#### **EXECUTIVE BOARDS CREATED STATUTORILY**

	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
State Board of Finance	NRS 355.010	1917	Members are the Governor, State Controller, State Treasurer, 2 other members appointed by the Governor; shall review policies every 4 months	11/06/13	
Executive Branch Audit Committee	NRS 353A.038	1999	Members are the 6 statewide elected officers and 1 member appointed by the Governor; meeting schedule not specified	9/27/13	Approved for review in 2012, not scheduled

#### ATTORNEY GENERAL

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	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Nevada Council for the Prevention of Domestic Violence	NRS 228.480	2005	Not more than 30 members appointed by the Attorney General; must meet a minimum of 3 times in a calendar year and may meet at other times upon the call of the chair	11/14/13	
Committee for the Statewide Alert System	NRS 432.350	2003	15 members; no minimum requirements for meetings	8/13/13	
Technological Crime Advisory Board	NRS 205A.040	1999	13 members (9 appointed by the Governor); must meet at least every quarter	9/12/13	
Advisory Committee to Study Laws Concerning Sex Offender Registration	NRS 179D.132	2009	Minimum of 8 members; must meet at least 2 times a year	10/18/13	
Substance Abuse Working Group (expires on June 30, 2015)	NRS 228.800	2011	Attorney General and 9 members appointed by the AG; must meet at least every 3 months	11/12/13	

#### SECRETARY OF STATE

	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION		
Committee to Approve Schedules for the Retention and Disposal of Official State Records	NRS 239.073	1993	6 members; must meet quarterly and may meet upon the call of the chair	10/16/13			
Advisory Committee on Participatory Democracy	NRS 225.240	2003	Secretary of State and 9 members appointed by the Secretary; meet quarterly; special meetings may be called	Listed as inactive, does not appear that members have ever been appointed			

#### STATE TREASURER

	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Board of Trustees of the College Savings Plans of Nevada	NRS 353B.005	2001	State Treasurer, Director of Department of Administration, Chancellor, 2 members of the general public appointed by the Governor; meeting schedule not specified	11/21/13	

# NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND THE BOARD OF REGENTS

	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Research Facilities— Committee on Anatomical Dissection	NRS 451.360	1963	9 members; meet at the call of the chair but must meet at least twice annually	7/18/13	Reviewed on March 27, 2012; recommended for continuation with further recommendations
Nevada State Board on Geographic Names	NRS 327.110	1985	10 members; meet at the call of the chair but not more than 4 times in any year	9/10/13	Reviewed on March 27, 2012; recommended for continuation
State 4-H Camp Advisory Council	NRS 550.035	1965	12 members appointed or elected pursuant to statute	9/24/13	

#### DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

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	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION		
Information Technology Advisory Board	NRS 242.122	1993	11 members appointed by the Governor and others pursuant to statute; meet at least once quarterly or more as deemed appropriate by chair;	9/16/13	Approved for review in 2012, not scheduled		
Personnel Commission	NRS 284.030	1953	5 members appointed by the Governor; meet at the call of the chair but at least quarterly	10/13/13			
Employee- Management Committee	NRS 284.068	1983	6 members appointed by the Governor; meet at the call of the chair but at least quarterly	9/13/13			
Committee on Catastrophic Leave	NRS 284.3627	2001	5 members appointed by the Governor; hold hearings as necessary	8/1/13			
Merit Award Board	NRS 285.030	1967	5 members as provided in statute; adopt regulations for conducting business	6/27/13	Approved for review in 2012, not scheduled		
State Historical Records Advisory Board	NRS 378A.030	1989	State Library and Archives Administrator and 9 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least 3 times per year	10/15/13			
State Council on Libraries and Literacy	NRS 380A.031	1965	11 members appointed by the Governor, 6 ex officio members; meet twice per year	10/15- 16/13			

# **DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION (continued)**

	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Economic Forum	NRS 353.226	1993	5 members appointed by the Governor and legislative leadership; deadlines for reports specified	12/06/13	
State Public Works Board	NRS 341.020	1937	7 members (4 members appointed by the Governor, 2 by legislative leadership, and the Director of the Department of Administration); must meet as necessary	9/2012 Meets as needed since reorganization in 2011	

#### DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION	
State Board of Agriculture	NRS 561.045	1961	appointed by the Governor; may meet at least quarterly and may meet at the call of the chair	8/6/13	Reviewed on June 5, 2012; recommended for continuation	
Garlic and Onion Growers' Advisory Board	NRS 556.020	1995	5 members; meeting schedule not specified	No response	Reviewed on June 5, 2012; recommended for continuation	
Alfalfa Seed Advisory Board	NRS 587.135	1975	7 members; meeting schedule not specified	1/10/13	Reviewed on June 5, 2012; recommended for continuation	
Board for the Regulation of Liquefied Petroleum Gas	NRS 590.485	1957	6 members appointed by the Governor; must meet in March, July, and November	11/15/13	Reviewed on April 27, 2012; recommended for continuation	
State Grazing Boards	NRS 568.040 (Taylor Grazing Act, 43 U.S.C. §§ 315 to 315r)	1939	Not less than 5 nor more than 12 members; meetings at the call of the chair or majority of members	11/14/13	Reviewed June 5, 2012, recommended continuation with further recommendations	
Central Committee of Nevada State Grazing Boards	NRS 568.170	1939	1 or 2 members of each state grazing board; may adopt rules for meetings	11/14/13	Reviewed June 5, 2012, recommended for continuation	

# **DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (continued)**

	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Nevada Junior Livestock Show Board	NRS 563.010	1945	8 members; meeting schedule not specified	3/6/13	
Rangeland Resources Commission	NRS 563.290	1999	1 member from each state grazing board and 3 additional members; meets at least quarterly (expires by limitation pursuant to statute regarding the refund of certain fees)	3/13/13	
Advisory Council for Organic Agricultural Products	NRS 587.810	1997	6 members appointed by the State Board of Agriculture; must meet at least annually	4/5/13	
State Dairy Commission (2013 revision moved from Department of Business and Industry)	NRS 584.031	1957	3 members; meet at least monthly	11/13/13	
State Predatory Animal and Rodent Committee	NRS 567.020	1949	5 members appointed by various entities, meet at call of the chair	Has not met. Issues with appointees, but anticipates future meeting	

# DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY

	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Nevada Commission on Minority Affairs	NRS 232.852	2003	9 members appointed by the Legislative Commission; meet not less than quarterly	11/18/13	
Nevada Athletic Commission	NRS 232.510 and NRS 467.020	1931	5 members appointed by the Governor; employs an Executive Director	10/31/13	Reviewed on February 27, 2012; recommended continuation
Local Government Employee- Management Relations Board	NRS 288.080	1969	3 members; meeting schedule not specified	11/12- 14/13	
Credit Union Advisory Council	NRS 678.290	1975	5 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least semi-annually	2/5/13	Reviewed on March 27, 2012; recommended continuation with further recommendations
Advisory Committee on Housing	NRS 319.173	1987	Director of the Department of Business and Industry and 8 members appointed by the Director; meet at least quarterly	11/21/12	

# **DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY (continued)**

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	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Advisory Council to the Division of Industrial Relations	NRS 232.570	1981	7 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least annually	9/17/13	
Board for Administration of Subsequent Injury Account for Associations of Self-Insured Public or Private Employers	NRS 616B.569	1995	5 members appointed by the Governor; may meet throughout the year	10/24/13	
Board for Administration of Subsequent Injury Account for Self-Insured Employers	NRS 616B.548	1995	5 members appointed by the Governor; may meet throughout the year	11/13/13	
Occupational Safety and Health Review Board	NRS 618.565	1973	5 members appointed by the Governor; meet as necessary to hold review hearings	10/9/13	
State Apprenticeship Council	NRS 610.030	1985	7 members appointed by the Labor Commissioner and 1 ex officio designated by the State Board for Career and Technical Education; must meet annually	11/2/13	

#### **DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY (continued)**

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	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION	
Advisory Council on Mortgage Investments and Mortgage Lending	NRS 645B.860	1999	5 members appointed by the Legislative Commission; may meet at least quarterly	2/21/13	Reviewed on March 27, 2012; recommended continuation	
Commission of Appraisers of Real Estate	NRS 645C.180	1989	5 members appointed by the Governor; meet twice per year	11/6- 8/13		
Real Estate Commission	NRS 645.050	1963	5 members appointed by the Governor; meet twice per year	7/16– 18/13		
Commission for Common- Interest Communities and Condominium Hotels	NRS 116.600	2003	7 members appointed by the Governor; meet quarterly	8/27- 29/13		
Taxicab Authority	NRS 706.8818	1969	5 members appointed by the Governor; meet as needed to conduct its business	11/15/13	Audit: LA 14-04	
Nevada Transportation Authority	NRS 706.1511	1997	3 members appointed by the Governor; shall give entire time to the business of the authority	12/19/13	Audit: LA 14-07, scheduled for issue 1/7/14	

# DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES

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	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
State Conservation Commission	NRS 548.115	1973	2 ex officio members and 7 members appointed by the Governor; meet quarterly	10/2/13	
State Environmental Commission	NRS 232.090 and NRS 445B.200	1971	11 members (5 appointed by the Governor); meeting schedule not specified	10/9/13	
Board to Review Claims	NRS 590.820	1989	7 members appointed by the Governor; meeting schedule not specified	9/12/13	
Board for Financing Water Projects	NRS 349.957	1987	1 ex officio and 5 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least quarterly	7/9/13	
Land Use Planning Advisory Council	NRS 321.740	1973	17 members (1 from each county) appointed by the Governor and 1 nonvoting member appointed by NACO; meeting schedule not specified	10/11/13	

# DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES

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	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Executive Council to the Land Use Planning Advisory Council	NRS 321.755	1977	Administrator and 4 members selected from the Council; meeting schedule not specified	Has not met in years	Approved for review in 2012, not scheduled
Well Drillers' Advisory Board	NRS 534.150	1963	No specified number of members (3 members currently on the Board); meeting schedule not specified	8/7/13	Reviewed on February 27, 2012; recommended for continuation with further recommendations
Comstock Historic District Commission	NRS 384.040	1969	9 members appointed by the Governor; meet at the call of the chair or a majority of members	11/18/13	
Board of Review, Division of State Lands	NRS 321.5967	1979	10 members representing specific state agencies; meet at the call of the chair	Has never met	
Advisory Board on Water Resources Planning and Development	NRS 540.111	1989	15 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least quarterly	Unfunded board	
Sagebrush Ecosystem Council	NRS 232.162	2013	9 voting members appointed by the Governor, 6+ nonvoting ex officio members and other nonvoting members as the Governor appoints; meeting schedule not specified, written reports due twice each year	12/18/13 1/8-9/14	

#### **DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS**

	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Committee on Industrial Programs	NRS 209.4817	2001	11 members (9 members must be appointed by the Interim Finance Committee, includes legislators); must meet at least quarterly	11/22/13	
Advisory Commission on Administration of Justice (includes various subcommittees)	NRS 176.0123	1995	Membership as provided in statute, includes legislators; meets as an interim committee	11/6/13	

# DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

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	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
State Board of Education	NRS 385.021	1864	4 elected and 3 appointed by the Governor; at least 9 but not more than 12 meetings annually	12/12/13	
State Board for Career and Technical Education	NRS 388.330	1956	The members of the State Board of Education; may hold at least 4 meetings annually coincident with meetings of the State Board of Education	10/4/13	
Commission on Educational Technology	NRS 388.790	1997	11 members and 2 ex officio members; must hold at least 4 meetings per year	11/1/13	
Council to Establish Academic Standards for Public Schools	NRS 389.510	1999	8 members, including 4 appointed by the Governor and 4 by legislative leadership	8/23/13	
Commission on Professional Standards in Education	NRS 391.011	1987	9 members appointed by the Governor; may meet monthly	9/12/13	

# DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

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	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Advisory Council on Parental Involvement and Family Engagement	NRS 385.600	2007	8 members appointed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction; 2 members appointed by legislative leadership; number of meeting not specified	9/19/13	Approved for review in 2012, not scheduled
Teachers and Leaders Council of Nevada	NRS 391.455	2011	15 members; must meet at least semi- annually and may meet at the call of the chair	10/1/13	
State Public Charter School Authority	NRS 386.509	2011	7 members appointed by various entities; meet at the call of the chair or a majority of members	12/1/13	
Statewide Council for the Coordination of Regional Training Programs	NRS 391.516	2001	Superintendent of Public Instruction and 8 members appointed by various entities; meet not less than 4 times annually	Being reconfigured Waiting on appointment of members	

# DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

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State Council for the Coordination of the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children	NRS 392C.020	2009	Various members pursuant to statute; meeting schedule is not specified	May still need appointments	
Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association	NRS 386.420	1973	All school districts and the superintendents of each county school district; employs an Executive Director	10/7/13	
Commission on Postsecondary Education	NRS 394.383	1975	7 members appointed by the Governor; must meet at least 4 times each year	11/6/13	Reviewed February 27, 2012; recommended for continuation
Interagency Panel (Education of Persons with Disabilities)	NRS 395.070	1995	Members are Superintendent of Public Instruction, Director of DHHS, Administrator of Division of Child and Family Services, Administrator of Division of Public and Behavioral Health, meeting schedule not specified	Not met for years; Unfunded	

# DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING, AND REHABILITATION

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	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISH ED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Board for the Education and Counseling of Displaced Homemakers	NRS 388.615	1989	5 members appointed by the Governor; meet quarterly	6/24/13	
Nevada Committee of Vendors who are Blind	NRS 426.560 and NAC 426.080	1957	Members elected pursuant to bylaws; must adopt bylaws to govern the committee (as required by regulation)	11/21/13	
Nevada Equal Rights Commission	NRS 233.030	1961	5 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least twice per year	6/18/13	
Governor's Workforce Investment Board	NRS 232.935	2009	Members appointed by the Governor, number not specified; meeting schedule not specified	11/13/13	
Nevada Employment Security Council	NRS 612.305	1941	9 members appointed by the Governor; meets twice annually, special meetings at the call of the chair; Board of Review consists of 3 of the 9 members	12/4/13	
Nevada State Rehabilitation Council	Rehabilitation Act of 1973 P.L. 93-112	Located in Department of Employment Training, and Rehab	Minimum of 16 members; meets quarterly	11/19/13	

# **DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

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	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Nevada Academy of Health, Director's Office	NRS 439B.250	2007	13 members appointed by the Governor, legislative leadership, others; meeting schedule not specified	Listed as inactive	Approved for review in 2012, not scheduled
Grants Management Advisory Committee	NRS 232.383	2005	15 members appointed by the Director; meet at the call of the Director, the chair or a majority of members not to exceed 6 times per year	9/12/13	
Advisory Committee on Problem Gambling	NRS 458A.060	2005	9 members appointed by the Governor; meet at the call of the Director, the chair or a majority of members not to exceed 6 times per year	11/21/13	
Board of Examiners for Long-Term Care Administrators	NRS 654.050	1969	Director of DHHS and 6 members appointed by the Governor; must meet quarterly	10/24/13	

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	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Nevada Commission on Aging	NRS 427A.032	1983	11 members appointed by the Governor and 4 or more nonvoting members; may meet at least quarterly and at the call of the chair or a majority of members	11/18/13	
Nevada Commission on Services for Persons with Disabilities	NRS 427A. 1211	2009	11 voting members, other nonvoting members, appointed by the Director, meet at least quarterly	12/10/13	
Subcommittee on Communication Services for Persons Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing and Persons with Speech Disabilities	NRS 427A.750	2009	9 members appointed by the Administrator of the Division of Aging and Disability Services; meet at the call of the Administrator, the chair or a majority of the members	2/25/13	

	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Subcommittee on Personal Assistance for Persons with Severe Functional Disabilities	NRS 426.731	2001	Membership not specified; number deemed appropriate to represent those with disabilities; meet at the call of the Director of DHHS, the chair of the subcommittee, or a majority of the members	12/10/13	
Nevada State Council for Interstate Juvenile Supervision	NRS 62I.015	2011	7 members appointed by the Governor, legislative leadership, and the Chief Justice	2/9/12 face- to-face; Meets electronically 2/14 face-to- face	
Executive Committee to Review the Death of Children	NRS 432B.409	2003	Multidisciplinary team of vital statistics, law enforcement, public health, and the Office of the AG; bylaws adopted; meet as needed	8/28/13	

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	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Rural Advisory Board to Expedite Proceedings for Placement of Children	NRS 432B.602	1999	Membership pursuant to statute	Listed as inactive	
State Board of Health	NRS 439.030	1959	7 members appointed by the Governor; may meet at least twice per year	6/28/13	
Committee on Emergency Medical Services	NRS 450B.151	1999	9 members appointed by the State Board of Health and 5 ex officio; meet at the call of the chair at least 4 times per year	12/10/13	
Medical Laboratory Advisory Committee	NRS 652.160	1967	7 members appointed by the State Board of Health, 1 ex officio; meeting schedule not specified	4/24/12	

DETARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HOMAN SERVICES (Continued)					
	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Advisory Board on Maternal and Child Health	NRS 442.133	1991	9 voting and 2 nonvoting members appointed by the State Board of Health; meet at least quarterly	11/1/13	
Advisory Committee on Sickle Cell Anemia	NRS 442.118	1989	State Board of Health shall establish; no specified membership or meeting schedule	Inactive since 1995	
Advisory Committee on Arthritis Prevention and Control Program	NRS 439.503	2003	Such members as the Administrator of the Division deems appropriate; meet at the call of the Administrator, Chair, majority of members	Appears to be inactive	
Advisory Committee of the Prevention and Treatment of Stroke and Heart Disease	NRS 439.492	2009	14 members pursuant to statute; meeting schedule not specified	Appears to be inactive	

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	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Advisory Council on the State Program for Wellness and the Prevention of Chronic Disease (formerly the Advisory Council on the State Program for Fitness and Wellness)	NRS 439.518	2005	13 members appointed by the Administrator of the Health Division; 2 members appointed by the Legislative Commission; may only meet if money is budgeted to do so and at the call of the Administrator, the chair or the majority of the members	10/8/13	Reviewed on March 27, 2012; recommended for continuation
Medical Care Advisory Group	NRS 422.151	1975	9 members appointed by the Director; must meet at least annually	10/8/13	
Commission on Behavioral Health (formerly Commission on Mental Health and Developmental Services)	NRS 232.361	1985	10 members appointed by the Governor; meet at the call of the chair at least 6 times but not more than 12 times per year	11/15/13	

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	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee	NRS 422.4035	2003	Minimum of 9 members but not more than 11, appointed by the Governor; meet at least once quarterly	9/26/13	Reviewed on June 5, 2012; recommended for continuation
Advisory Committee to Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee and Drug Use Review Board (DURB pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §1396r- 8(g)(3))	NRS 422.4055	2003	3 members appointed by the Director pursuant to statute; no meeting schedule specified	All positions vacant	
Advisory Committee on Minority Health	NRS 232.482	2005	9 members appointed by the State Board of Health; meeting schedule not specified	9/17/13	
Advisory Committee on the State Program for Oral Health	NRS 439.2792	2009	13 members appointed by the Administrator of Division of Public and Behavioral Health pursuant to statute; meet at the call of the Director of DHHS, chair, or majority of members	12/6/13	

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Committee to Review Suicide Fatalities	NRS 439.5104	2013	10 members appointed by the Director to represent various entities; meeting schedule not specified	12/3/13	
Early Intervention Interagency Coordinating Council	Individuals with Disabilities Education Act P.L. 99-457	1987 Located in Department of Health and Human Service	membership includes providers, representatives of agencies, 1 legislator	No response	
Drug Use Review Board	NRS 422.402 and 42 U.S.C. § 1396r- 8(g)(3).	2003 Located in the Department of Health and Human Services	Federal legislation provides for unspecified number of members who have knowledge in specific areas	10/24/13	
Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council	NRS 432A.076 and 42 U.S.C. § 9837b(b) (1)(A)(i)	2013 Located in the Department of Health and Human Services	Membership includes specific representatives of various departments, divisions, agencies, NSHE, any others as the Governor determines; meeting schedule not specified	10/1/13	

#### DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Advisory Board on Automotive Affairs	NRS 487.002	1989	10 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least twice per year	11/19/13	
Commission on Special License Plates	NRS 482.367004	2003	5 legislators and 3 nonvoting ex officio members (2013 revision provides the Commission is advisory to DMV)	3/14/14	

#### **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY**

	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Advisory Committee on Nevada Criminal Justice Information Sharing	NRS 179A.079	2005	9 members including the Director, the AG, the Director of the Department of Corrections, and others pursuant to statute; meet twice annually	7/10/13	
State Board of Parole Commissioners	NRS 213.108	1957	7 members appointed by the Governor; meeting schedule not specified	11/27/13	Audit: LA 10-21
Board of Search and Rescue	NRS 414.170	1983	10 members appointed by the Chief of the Division of Emergency Management; meets at the call of the chair and at least once every 6 months	2/6/12	
Committee on Training in Search and Rescue	NRS 414.220	1983	6 members appointed by the Coordinator of Search and Rescue; meets at the call of the Coordinator and at least once every 6 months	10/30/13	

# **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY (continued)**

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	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
State Board of Fire Services	NRS 477.073	2011 (Recreated)	11 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least twice per year and at the call of the chair, the State Fire Marshal, or any 3 members	10/24/13	
Advisory Board on Motorcycle Safety	NRS 486.376	1991	5 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least twice per year and may meet at the call of the chair	11/5/13	
Committee on Testing for Intoxication	NRS 484C.600	1983	5 members including the Director of the Department of Public Safety and 4 members appointed by the Director; meet at the call of the Director	10/18/12	
Nevada State Council for Interstate Adult Offender Supervision	NRS 213.215	2001	7 members pursuant to the Compact; reports to the Interstate Commission for Adult Offender Supervision	7/23/13	Approved for review in 2012, not scheduled
State Emergency Response Commission	NRS 459.738 and 42 U.S.C. §§ 11001 et seq Emergency Planning and Community Right-to- Know Act	1991	Not more than 25 members appointed by the Governor; meeting schedule is not specified	10/10/13 1/9/14	

#### **DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION**

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	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Nevada Tax Commission	NRS 360.010	1959	8 members appointed by the Governor; meeting scheduled not specified	12/9/13	
Appraiser's Certification Board	NRS 361.221	1975	6 members including 3 chosen by county assessors and 3 appointed by the Nevada Tax Commission; meeting schedule not specified	9/11/13	
State Board of Equalization	NRS 361.375	1917	5 members appointed by the Governor; meets on the 4th Monday of March annually and other meetings as necessary	10/2/13	
Committee on Local Governmental Finance	NRS 354.105	2001	11 members appointed by organizations pursuant to statute; may adopt regulations to govern the committee	11/15/13	
Mining Oversight and Accountability Commission	NRS 514A.040	2011	7 members appointed by the Governor pursuant to statute; meet quarterly and at the call of the chair or majority of members	6/26/13	

# DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

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	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Commission on Tourism	NRS 231.170	1983	11 voting members including 8 members appointed by the Governor and 4 ex officio members; meet quarterly or more frequently as necessary	6/19/13	
Board of the Nevada Arts Council	NRS 233C.025 and NRS 233C.030	1967	9 members appointed by the Governor; may meet twice per year (more often if funds available)	9/25/13	
Board of Museums and History	NRS 381.002	1979	11 members appointed by the Governor; meeting schedule not specified	6/14/13	
Nevada Indian Commission	NRS 233A.020	1935	5 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least 4 times per year	9/12/13	
Advisory Committee Concerning the Children's Health Insurance Program	NRS 233A.104	1999	5 members appointed by various entities; meet at least twice annually	All positions vacant, does not appear to have ever been active	
Commission for Cultural Affairs	NRS 233C.200 (Office of Historic Preservation in Department of Conservation now provides staff, also located on Historic Preservation Website)	1991	6 members, certain designated members, others appointed by Governor; meet biennially or more frequently as needed	7/31/13	

#### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Board of Directors for the Department of Transportation	NRS 408.106	1989	7 members (including 3 statewide officers and 4 appointed by the Governor); hold meetings as deemed essential to the proper execution of the Department	11/13/13	
Nevada Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board (formerly Nevada Bicycle Advisory Board)	NRS 408.573	2011	14 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least quarterly and may meet at the call of the chair	11/21/13	

#### **DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS SERVICES**

	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Nevada Veterans' Services Commission	NRS 417.150	1975	9 members appointed by the Governor, legislative leadership, and the chairs of the advisory committees on veterans' cemeteries in the north and the south; meet at least 4 times and not more than 8 times per fiscal year	3/21/13	
Advisory Committee for a Veterans' Cemetery in Northern Nevada	NRS 417.230	1987	7 members including 5 appointed by the Governor and 2 legislators; meet at least 4 times per year	3/7/13	
Advisory Committee for a Veterans' Cemetery in Southern Nevada	NRS 417.230	1987	7 members including 5 appointed by the Governor and 2 legislators; meet at least 4 times per year	9/3/13	
Interagency Council on Veterans Affairs	NRS 417.0191	2013	Adjutant General, heads of specific state departments and agencies, NSHE; meet at least quarterly and at the call of the chair	12/3/13	

## DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE

	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Board of Wildlife Commissioners	NRS 501.167	1969	9 members appointed by the Governor; may meet not more than 9 times per year	12/6-7/13	Reviewed on March 27, 2012; recommended for continuation with further recommendation
Advisory Board on Dream Tags	NRS 502.225	2009	5 members appointed by various entities; meet at the call of the chair as necessary	2/18/14	

## STATE GAMING CONTROL BOARD

	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Gaming Policy Committee	NRS 463.021	1961	11 members designated and appointed pursuant to statute (Governor serves as chair); Governor may call meetings for the exclusive purpose of discussing gaming policy	7/25/12	Reviewed on February 27, 2012; recommended for continuation
State Gaming Control Board	NRS 463.030	1955	3 members appointed by the Governor; may hold 1 meeting per month and special meetings as convenient	11/21/13	Audit: LA 12-01
Nevada Gaming Commission	NRS 463.022	1959	5 members appointed by the Governor; must hold 1 meeting each month on or after the 15th day of the month	11/21/13	

### **COMMISSION ON MINERAL RESOURCES**

	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Commission on Mineral Resources	NRS 513.023	1983	7 members appointed by the Governor; meets quarterly and may meet at the call of the chair or majority of members	10/10/13	Audit: LA 14-12, scheduled for issue 1/7/14

### PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM

	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Police and Firefighters' Retirement Fund Advisory Committee	NRS 286.227	1977	Board determines the number of members (currently at 5); meeting schedule not specified	11/26/13	Reviewed on April 27, 2012; recommended for continuation
Public Employees' Retirement Board	NRS 286.120	1947	7 members appointed by the Governor; meets at least monthly	11/13/13	

### PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA

	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Public Utilities Commission of Nevada	NRS 703.020	1997	3 members appointed by the Governor; meeting schedule not specified	11/27/13	Audit: LA 10-17

## POLICY AND OTHER BOARDS AND STATUTORY BODIES

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	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Board of the Public Employees' Benefits Program	NRS 287.041	1963	10 members including 9 appointed by the Governor and the Director of the Department of Administration; meet at least quarterly	11/21/13	Reviewed on April 27, 2012, recommended for continuation; Audit: LA 12-23
Colorado River Commission of Nevada	NRS 538.051	1935	7 members (4 members appointed by the Governor, 3 members appointed by the Southern Nevada Water Authority); meet at the call of the chair or a majority of members	11/12/13	
Commission on Ethics	NRS 281A.200	1985	8 members (4 appointed by the Legislative Commission and 4 appointed by the Governor); meet at least once per quarter or at the call of the chair	11/20/13	Reviewed on April 27, 2012; recommended continuation with further recommendations

	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Committee on Deferred Compensation for State Employees	NRS 287.325	1995	5 members appointed by the Governor; meeting schedule not specified	11/14/13	
Governor's Advisory Council on Education Relating to the Holocaust	NRS 233G.020	1989	11 members appointed by the Governor; meeting as necessary	9/28/13	
Southern Nevada Enterprise Community Advisory Board	Senate Bill 352 (Chapter 407, Statutes of Nevada 2007)	2007	9 members in consultation with the community; City of North Las Vegas to provide support for the Board	9/16/13	
Board of Trustees of the Fund for Hospital Care to Indigent Persons	NRS 428.195	1983	4 county commissioners and 1 director of a social services agency appointed by the Governor; meeting schedule not specified	11/8/13	

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Board of Trustees for the Fund for the Institutional Care of the Medically Indigent	NRS 428.470	1997	5 county commissioners appointed by the Governor	Listed as inactive	
Advisory Council for Prosecuting Attorneys	NRS 241A.040	1997	7 members including the Attorney General and 6 appointed pursuant to statute; meet at least quarterly	9/26/13	
Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency— Commission	NRS 278.0262	1989	7 members appointed pursuant to statute; meeting scheduled not specified	11/13/13	
Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency— Governing Board	NRS 278.0264	1989	11 members appointed pursuant to statute	10/10/13	
Silver State Health Insurance Exchange	NRS 6951.200	2011	7 voting members, 3 nonvoting members, appointed by Governor, legislative leadership; meet at least once quarterly and at the call of the chair or majority of members;	11/14/13	

	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Commission to Study Governmental Purchasing (Nevada Public Purchasing Study	NRS 332.215	1975	Each county of a certain size population must be a member of the commission; meet quarterly or at the call of	12/09/13	
Commission)  Collection Agency Advisory Board	NRS 649.047	1989	the chair 5 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least twice annually and may meet at the call of the chair	Listed as inactive	
Nevada Commission for Women	NRS 233I.020	1991	10 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least quarterly or at the call of the chair	Listed as inactive	
Commission on Off- Highway Vehicles	NRS 490.067	2009	11 members appointed by the Governor pursuant to statute; meet at least 4 times per year	12/12/13	

	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Nevada Commission for the Reconstruction of the V&T Railway	Assembly Bill 696 (Chapter 566, Statutes of Nevada 1993)	1993	5 members appointed by Carson City Board of Supervisors, county commissions of Lyon and Storey, V&T Historical Railway Society; meet at the call of the chair	1/27/14	
Nevada Tahoe Regional Planning Agency	NRS 278.792	1973	Members are those who serve on the TRPA created by the regional compact; meet at the call of the chair or any 2 members	1/29/14	
Nevada Silver Haired Legislative Forum	NRS 427A.320	1997	21 members, appointed by the Legislative Commission, nominations from Senators; hold at least 3 during interim, as necessary during legislative session	12/17/13	
Nevada Youth Legislature	NRS 385.515	2007	21 members, appointed by the members of the Senate; hold at least 2 public hearings each school year	11/7/13 12/13/13 Board Meeting	

#### PROFESSIONAL AND OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING BOARDS

NOTE: The Legislature creates professional and occupational licensing boards. The boards are invested with the authority to adopt regulations regarding licensing and practice of the various professions, subject to review by the Legislature. Members are appointed by the Governor to fixed terms, generally three to four years in length. Independent boards are funded by fees charged to licensees and do not receive State General Fund support.

	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Peace Officers Standards and Training Commission	NRS 289.500	1999	9 members appointed by the Governor; meet at the call of the chair	10/29/13	Audit: LA 10-01
State Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design	NRS 623.050	1975	9 members appointed by the Governor; meeting schedule not specified	10/22/13	
State Board of Landscape Architecture	NRS 623A.080	1975	5 members appointed by the Governor; must meet at least quarterly	10/26/13	
State Contractors' Board	NRS 624.040	1941	7 members appointed by the Governor; must hold regular meetings to transact the business of the Board	11/14/13	

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	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Commission on Construction Education	NRS 624.570	2001	1 member of the State Contractors' Board and 6 members appointed by the Governor; adopt regulations for procedures of meetings	11/19/13	
State Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors	NRS 625.100	1919	9 members appointed by the Governor; meeting schedule not specified	11/14/13	
Board of Registered Environmental Health Specialists	NRS 625A.030	1987	Chief Medical Officer and 4 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least annually	11/13/13	
Nevada State Board of Accountancy	NRS 628.035	1960	7 members appointed by the Governor; meeting schedule not specified	11/12/13	
Board of Medical Examiners	NRS 630.050	1949	9 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least twice annually or at the call of the president or a majority of members	9/6–7/13	

	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Board of Homeopathic Medical Examiners	NRS 630A.100	1983	7 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least twice annually or at the call of the president or a majority of members	8/3/13	
Board of Dental Examiners of Nevada	NRS 631.120	1951	11 members appointed by the Governor; meets as necessary to examine applicants or transact business	12/13/13	
Committee on Dental Hygiene	NRS 631.205	2003	Membership includes the members of the Board of Dental Examiners who are hygienists and one dentist	1/24/13	
State Board of Nursing	NRS 632.020	1947	7 members appointed by the Governor; must meet at least 3 times per year	11/6- 8/13	
Advisory Committee on Nursing Assistants and Medication Aides	NRS 632.072	1989	11 members appointed by the Board of Nursing pursuant to statute; meeting schedule not specified	10/17/13 (meetings scheduled in 2014)	

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State Board of Osteopathic Medicine	NRS 633.181	1977	7 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least twice annually or at the call of the president or a majority of members	11/14/13	
Chiropractic Physicians' Board of Nevada	NRS 634.020	1923	7 members appointed by the Governor; meet twice yearly to transact the business of the board, emergency meetings may be called	11/16/13	
State Board of Oriental Medicine	NRS 634A.030	1973	5 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least once annually	10/17/13	Reviewed on June 5, 2012; recommended for continuation with further recommendations
State Board of Podiatry	NRS 635.020	1949	5 members appointed by the Governor; meeting schedule not specified	8/5/13	
Nevada State Board of Optometry	NRS 636.030	1955	4 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least annually	11/19/13	

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	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Board of Dispensing Opticians	NRS 637.030	1951	5 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least once in fall annually	11/6/13	
Board of Hearing Aid Specialists	NRS 637A.030	1973	5 members appointed by the Governor; meet at the call of the chair or majority of members	8/28/13	
Board of Examiners for Audiology and Speech Pathology	NRS 637B.100	1979	5 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least annually and may meet at the call of the president or a majority of members	11/23/13	
Nevada State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners	NRS 638.020	1919	8 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least annually and at the call of the president or any 5 members	10/23/13	Reviewed on March 27, 2012; recommended for continuation
State Board of Pharmacy	NRS 639.020	1913	7 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least once every 6 months	10/16– 17/13	

	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners	NRS 640.030	1955	5 members appointed by the Governor; meeting schedule not specified	11/14/13	
Board of Occupational Therapy	NRS 640A.080	1991	5 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least twice per year	10/13/13	
Board of Athletic Trainers	NRS 640B.170	2003	5 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least 3 times per year or at the call of the chair or upon the request of at least 3 members	9/19/13	Reviewed March 27, 2012; recommended for continuation
Board of Massage Therapists	NRS 640C.150	2005	7 members appointed by the Governor; 1 advisory member; meet at least quarterly and at the call of the chair or majority of the members	11/14/13	

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	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	MEMBER COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Board of Psychological Examiners	NRS 641.030	1963	7 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least annually, special meetings may be called by the chair or a majority of the members	11/22/13	
Board of Examiners for Marriage and Family Therapists and Clinical Professional Counselors	NRS 641A.090	1973	9 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least once every 6 months or at the call of the president or a majority of the members	10/31/13	
Board of Examiners for Social Workers	NRS 641B.100	1987	5 members appointed by the Governor; meet quarterly or at the call of the president or majority of the members	10/18/13	
Board of Examiners for Alcohol, Drug and Gambling Counselors	NRS 641C.150	1999	7 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least twice per year or at the call of the president or a majority of members	9/13/13	

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	STATUTORY REFERENCE	ESTABLISHED	COMPOSITION AND MEETING REQUIREMENTS	MOST RECENT MEETING	REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION
Nevada Funeral and Cemetery Services Board (formerly Nevada State Funeral Board)	NRS 642.020	1909	7 members appointed by the Governor; meet at least once quarterly or at special meetings to discharge duties	11/5/13	Reviewed June 5, 2012; recommended for termination with transfer of functions; revised pursuant to A.B. 494 (Chapter 348, Statutes of Nevada 2013)
State Barbers' Health and Sanitation Board	NRS 643.020	1929	4 members including Chief Medical Officer and 3 members appointed by the Governor; meet quarterly	8/24/13	Reviewed April 27, 2012; recommended for continuation
State Board of Cosmetology	NRS 644.030	1931	7 members appointed by the Governor; meet quarterly for examination of applicants	11/4/13	Reviewed April 27, 2012; recommended for continuation
Private Investigator's Licensing Board	NRS 648.020	1947	5 members appointed by the Governor; may employ an Executive Director (added in 1995)	9/12/13	
Certified Court Reporters' Board of Nevada	NRS 656.040	1973	5 members appointed by the Governor; meet as necessary to transact business	10/29/13	

### APPENDIX C

Letters From Chair Irene Bustamante Adams

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# State of Nevada Assembly

October 27, 2014

The Honorable Brian Sandoval Governor of the State of Nevada Office of the Governor 101 North Carson Street, Suite 1 Carson City, Nevada 89701-4786

#### Dear Governor Sandoval:

The Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission (Nevada Revised Statutes [NRS] 232B.210) completed its work for the 2013-2014 Legislative Interim. Throughout this Interim, the Subcommittee considered several boards, commissions, and similar entities that have not been established either in the Nevada Constitution or by you through an Executive Order. The Subcommittee is charged with determining whether those entities should be continued, modified, consolidated with another agency, or terminated. At the completion of each interim, pursuant to statute, the Subcommittee is to report its recommendations to the Legislative Commission.

At its meeting on February 3, 2014, the Subcommittee reviewed the Nevada Commission for Women (NRS 233I.020), which has been inactive for some time. Following that hearing, members of the public expressed an interest in retaining the Commission, requesting that the Subcommittee recommend continuation. Further, at the Subcommittee's meeting on June 4, 2014, we received information through a member of your staff that you would be willing to reactivate the Commission.

For that reason, the Subcommittee voted not only to recommend continuation of the Commission but also to urge you to appoint new members and to charge them within the Commission's statutory provisions with a mission relevant to today's society and economy. In addition, the Subcommittee also voted to recommend to the Legislative Commission revisions to the NRS to provide that membership of the Commission reflect Nevada's diverse demographic groups.

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Thank you for your willingness to continue the Nevada Commission for Women. As always, please do not hesitate to contact me if the Subcommittee or I may be of assistance.

Sincerely,

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October 27, 2014

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Dear Director Gilliland:

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At its meeting on February 3, 2014, the Subcommittee reviewed the Advisory Committee for the Prevention and Treatment of Stroke and Heart Disease (NRS 439.492). The Chief of the Bureau of Child, Family, and Community Wellness in the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) advised the Subcommittee that the Advisory Committee has been inactive for some time and recommended that issues relating to the prevention of stroke and heart disease could be integrated into the overall responsibilities of the Advisory Council on the State Program for Wellness and the Prevention of Chronic Disease (CWCD) (NRS 439.518).

Subsequently, at its meeting on March 4, 2014, the Subcommittee voted to recommend to the Legislative Commission the repeal of provisions of Chapter 439 of NRS relating to the Advisory Committee for the Prevention and Treatment of Stroke and Heart Disease and to transfer those functions to the CWCD, along with any funds remaining in the account created for the Advisory Committee pursuant to NRS 439.494.

Because the Subcommittee wishes to ensure continued efforts to plan for the prevention of stroke, heart disease, and other vascular diseases in Nevada, it has further requested that on or

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before January 1, 2016, the Director of DHHS provide to the Subcommittee a status report on activities of the CWCD relating to stroke and heart disease prevention.

Thank you for your attention to this request and for all of the assistance provided by members of the staff of DHHS as the Subcommittee conducted its reviews and completed its work. As always, please do not hesitate to contact me if the Subcommittee or I may be of assistance.

Sincerely,

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The Subcommittee reviewed the Advisory Committee on the Arthritis Prevention and Control Program (NRS 439.503) at its meeting on February 3, 2014. At that time, the Chief of the Bureau of Child, Family, and Community Wellness in the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) recommended that issues relating to arthritis prevention and control could be transferred to the Advisory Council on the State Program for Wellness and the Prevention of Chronic Disease (CWCD) (NRS 439.518), which has overall advisory responsibilities for the prevention of chronic disease.

At its meeting on March 4, 2014, the Subcommittee voted to recommend to the Legislative Commission the repeal of provisions of Chapter 439 of NRS relating to the Advisory Committee on the Arthritis Prevention and Control Program and to transfer those functions to the CWCD.

The Subcommittee remains interested in efforts to address current and future needs of Nevadans with arthritis. For that reason, it has also voted to request that on or before January 1, 2016, the Director of DHHS provide to the Subcommittee a status report on activities of the CWCD relating to arthritis prevention and control.

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Thank you for your attention to this request and for all of the help provided by members of the staff of DHHS as the Subcommittee conducted its reviews and completed its work. As always, please do not hesitate to contact me if the Subcommittee or I may be of assistance.

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The Subcommittee reviewed the Advisory Committee Concerning Sickle Cell Anemia (NRS 442.118) at its meeting on February 3, 2014. At that time, the Chief of the Bureau of Child, Family, and Community Wellness in the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) informed the Subcommittee that the Newborn Screening Advisory Committee has historically included sickle cell anemia among the issues that it reviews. She also stated that DHHS would recommend terminating the Advisory Committee.

At its meeting on March 4, 2014, the Subcommittee voted to recommend to the Legislative Commission the termination of the Advisory Committee with the understanding that the State Board of Health and DHHS would ensure that sickle cell anemia is addressed through a targeted program of newborn screening and awareness. The Subcommittee also voted to recommend that on or before January 1, 2016, the Director of DHHS provide to the Subcommittee a status report on activities relating to newborn screening.

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Thank you for your attention to this request and for all of the help provided by members of the staff of DHHS as the Subcommittee conducted its reviews and completed its work. As always, please do not hesitate to contact me if the Subcommittee or I may be of assistance.

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The Honorable Ross Miller Secretary of State Office of the Secretary of State 101 North Carson Street, Suite 3 Carson City, Nevada 89701-3714

#### Dear Secretary Miller:

The Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission (Nevada Revised Statutes [NRS] 232B.210) completed its work for the 2013-2014 Legislative Interim. Throughout this Interim, the Subcommittee considered several boards, commissions, and similar entities that have not been established either in the Nevada Constitution or by an Executive Order of the Governor. The Subcommittee is charged with determining whether those entities should be continued, modified, consolidated with another agency, or terminated. At the completion of each interim, pursuant to statute, the Subcommittee is to report its recommendations to the Legislative Commission.

At its meeting on March 4, 2014, the Subcommittee reviewed the Advisory Committee on Participatory Democracy (NRS 225.240). At that meeting, the Chief Deputy Secretary of State urged the Subcommittee not to recommend termination; the Advisory Committee provides assistance to increase public participation in elections and is charged with designating the recipient of the Jean Ford Democracy Award.

Subsequently, at its meeting on April 8, 2014, the Subcommittee did vote to recommend that the Advisory Committee be continued. It further recommended that on or before January 1, 2016, the Secretary of State provide to the Subcommittee a status report on activities of the Advisory Committee, including any recommendations for changes to its governing statutes.

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Thank you for your continued interest in the Advisory Committee on Participatory Democracy. As always, please do not hesitate to contact me if the Subcommittee or I may be of assistance.

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#### Dear Chairman Kintop:

The Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission (Nevada Revised Statutes [NRS] 232B.210) completed its work for the 2013-2014 Legislative Interim. Throughout this Interim, the Subcommittee considered several boards, commissions, and similar entities that have been established by acts of the Nevada Legislature. The Subcommittee is charged with determining whether those entities should be continued, modified, consolidated with another agency, or terminated. At the completion of each interim, pursuant to statute, the Subcommittee is to report its recommendations to the Legislative Commission.

At its meeting on March 4, 2014, the Subcommittee reviewed the State Historical Records Advisory Board (NRS 378A.030). At that time, the discussion among members of the Subcommittee and yourself included the topic of electronic storage of historical records.

Subsequently, at its work session on April 8, 2014, the members voted to urge the Advisory Board to investigate electronic storage of records. Further, the members also request that, prior to the convening of the 78th Session of the Legislature, the Advisory Board prepares and submits a report to Governor Brian Sandoval and the Legislative Commission, setting out models and estimated costs for electronic storage of historical records.

Jeffrey M. Kintop Page 2 October 27, 2014

Thank you for bringing this timely topic to the attention of the Subcommittee. I look forward to your report. As always, please do not hesitate to contact me if the Subcommittee or I may be of assistance.

Sincerely,

I. Bustamante Adama

Assemblywoman Irene Bustamante Adams Chair, Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission

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# State of Nevada Assembly

October 27, 2014

Jim R. Barbee, Director State Department of Agriculture State Predatory Animal and Rodent Committee 405 South 21st Street Sparks, Nevada 89431-5557

#### Dear Director Barbee:

The Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission (Nevada Revised Statutes [NRS] 232B.210) completed its work for the 2013-2014 Legislative Interim. Throughout this Interim, the Subcommittee considered several boards, commissions, and similar entities that have been established by acts of the Nevada Legislature. The Subcommittee is charged with determining whether those entities should be continued, modified, consolidated with another agency, or terminated. At the completion of each interim, pursuant to statute, the Subcommittee is to report its recommendations to the Legislative Commission.

At its meeting on April 8, 2014, the Subcommittee reviewed the State Predatory Animal and Rodent Committee (NRS 567.020). Even though the Committee has not met for a number of years, as Director of the Department of Agriculture, you had requested that the Subcommittee recommend continuing the Committee; you had indicated an interest in reactivating it because the Committee offers a forum for State agencies to meet and discuss their common interests.

Subsequently, at its meeting on May 6, 2014, the Subcommittee did recommend that the Committee be continued. However, it also recommended that on or before January 1, 2016, the Director of the Department of Agriculture provide a status report on the activities of the Committee during the remainder of 2014 and in 2015.

Jim R. Barbee Page 2 October 27, 2014

Thank you for your attention to this request and for all of the assistance provided by members of your staff as the Subcommittee conducted its reviews and completed its work. As always, please do not hesitate to contact me if the Subcommittee or I may be of assistance.

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# State of Nevada Assembly

October 27, 2014

Barbara Twitchell, Chair
Board for the Education and Counseling of Displaced Homemakers
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500 East Third Street, Suite 200
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#### Dear Chair Twitchell:

The Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission (Nevada Revised Statutes [NRS] 232B.210) completed its work for the 2013-2014 Legislative Interim. Throughout this Interim, the Subcommittee considered several boards, commissions, and similar entities that have been established by acts of the Nevada Legislature. The Subcommittee is charged with determining whether those entities should be continued, modified, consolidated with another agency, or terminated. At the completion of each interim, pursuant to statute, the Subcommittee is to report its recommendations to the Legislative Commission.

At its meeting on May 6, 2014, the Subcommittee reviewed the Board for the Education and Counseling of Displaced Homemakers (NRS 388.615). At that time, the members discussed with you the Board's efforts to raise awareness about the programs offered to assist displaced homemakers. In particular, concerns were raised about the lack of a website for the Board.

Subsequently, at its meeting on June 4, 2014, the Subcommittee recommended continuation of the Board with certain revisions to provisions of the NRS relating to funding and operations of the Board. At that time, the Subcommittee also voted to recommend that the Board and the Department of Employment, Training, and Rehabilitation (DETR) develop a website for the displaced homemaker programs and that the Board report the status of the development of the website to the Subcommittee on or before January 1, 2016.

Barbara Twitchell Page 2 October 27, 2014

Thank you for your attention to this request and for all of the assistance provided by members of the Board and staff of the Employment Security Division as the Subcommittee conducted its reviews and completed its work. As always, please do not hesitate to contact me if the Subcommittee or I may be of assistance.

Sincerely,

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# State of Nevada Assembly

October 27, 2014

Assemblywoman Maggie Carlton, Chair Legislative Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste 401 South Carson Street Carson City, Nevada 89701

Dear Chair Carlton:

The Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission (Nevada Revised Statutes [NRS] 232B.210) completed its work for the 2013-2014 Legislative Interim. Throughout this Interim, the Subcommittee considered several boards, commissions, and similar entities that have been established by acts of the Nevada Legislature. The Subcommittee is charged with determining whether those entities should be continued, modified, consolidated with another agency, or terminated. At the completion of each interim, pursuant to statute, the Subcommittee is to report its recommendations to the Legislative Commission.

At its meeting on May 6, 2014, the Subcommittee reviewed the Commission on Nuclear Projects (NRS 459.0091). In the discussion that occurred between Richard H. Bryan, Chair of the Commission, and the members, the Subcommittee learned that the definitions of high-level radioactive waste and low-level radioactive waste, as provided in the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, as amended (42 *United States Code* 10101 *et seq.*) permit certain high-level radioactive waste to be considered as low-level. As a result, some high-level waste is stored at sites intended only for low-level waste.

Once again, at its meeting on June 4, 2014, the members expressed their concerns for public safety as that is affected by the storage of high-level radioactive waste in Nevada. In addition to voting to recommend the continuation of the Commission on Nuclear Projects, the members voted to request that the Legislative Committee on High-Level Radioactive Waste sponsor a joint resolution, stating the Nevada Legislature's views and urging the United States Congress to revise these definitions.

Assemblywoman Carlton Page 2 October 27, 2014

Thank you for your attention to this request. I think that I can speak for the Subcommittee members when I state that you will have our support as a resolution makes its way through the 78th Session. As always, please do not hesitate to contact me if the Subcommittee or I may be of assistance.

Sincerely,

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# State of Nevada Assembly

October 27, 2014

Kevin Christensen, Chair Nevada State Apprenticeship Council Office of the Labor Commissioner 675 Fairview Drive, Suite 226 Carson City, Nevada 89701

#### Dear Chair Christensen:

The Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission (*Nevada Revised Statutes* [NRS] 232B.210) completed its work for the 2013–2014 Legislative Interim. Throughout this Interim, the Subcommittee considered several boards, commissions, and similar entities that have been established by acts of the Nevada Legislature. The Subcommittee is charged with determining whether those entities should be continued, modified, consolidated with another agency, or terminated. At the completion of each interim, pursuant to statute, the Subcommittee is to report its recommendations to the Legislative Commission.

At its meeting on May 6, 2014, the Subcommittee reviewed the State Apprenticeship Council (NRS 610.030). In the discussion with members of the Council, Thoran Towler, Nevada's Labor Commissioner, and members of his staff, the Subcommittee members became aware of issues surrounding compliance with the 2008 federal regulations relating to apprenticeship programs. Not the least of which is the eventual possibility of losing federal recognition of Nevada's apprenticeship programs.

At the June 4, 2014, meeting, the Subcommittee voted to recommend continuation of the Council without any proposed revisions. It further urged that the State Apprenticeship Council and the Labor Commissioner work with the United States Secretary of Labor to identify changes that must be made to obtain federal recognition of our programs. Expressing its continuing support for the Council, the Subcommittee wishes to limit the extent of revisions to those necessary to ensure compliance. To that end, the Subcommittee requests a report of the status of those efforts to work with the Secretary of Labor prior to the convening of the 78th Session of the Nevada Legislature.

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Kevin Christensen Page 2 October 27, 2014

Thank you for your attention to this request. I think that I can speak for the Subcommittee members when I state that we will be most interested in any recommendations that you and Commissioner Towler may report to the Subcommittee. As always, please do not hesitate to contact me if the Subcommittee or I may be of assistance.

Sincerely,

I. Bustamante Adama

Assemblywoman Irene Bustamante Adams Chair, Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission

IBA/njp:W142702

cc: Thoran Towler, Nevada's Labor Commissioner

# APPENDIX D

Meeting Schedule

# SUNSET SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE

### February 3, 2014

- 1. Nevada Commission for Women (NRS 233I.020)
- 2. Rural Advisory Board to Expedite Proceedings for the Placement of Children (NRS 432B.602)
- 3. Advisory Committee for the Prevention and Treatment of Stroke and Heart Disease (NRS 439.492)
- 4. Advisory Committee on the Arthritis Prevention and Control Program (NRS 439.503)
- 5. Nevada Academy of Health (NRS 439B.250)
- 6. Advisory Committee Concerning Sickle Cell Anemia (NRS 442.118)
- 7. Advisory Board on Water Resources Planning and Development (NRS 540.111)
- 8. Collection Agency Advisory Board (NRS 649.047)

## March 4, 2014

- 1. Advisory Committee on Participatory Democracy (NRS 225.240)
- 2. Advisory Committee Concerning the Children's Health Insurance Program (NRS 233A.104)
- 3. Committee to Approve Schedules for the Retention and Disposition of Official State Records (NRS 239.073)
- 4. Land Use Planning Advisory Council (NRS 321.740)
- 5. Executive Council of the Land Use Planning Advisory Council (NRS 321.755)
- 6. State Historical Records Advisory Board (NRS 378A.030)
- 7. State and Local Government Panel on Renewable and Efficient Energy (NRS 701.450)
- 8. Work Session

### April 8, 2014

- 1. Nevada Commission on Homeland Security (NRS 239C.120)
- 2. Medical Care Advisory Group (NRS 422.151)
- 3. Committee for the Statewide Alert System (NRS 432.350)
- 4. State Predatory Animal and Rodent Committee (NRS 567.020)
- 5. Board of Hearing Aid Specialists (NRS 637A.030)
- 6. Board of Examiners for Audiology and Speech Pathology (NRS 637B.100)
- 7. Board of Examiners for Long-Term Care Administrators (NRS 654.050)
- 8. Nevada Transportation Authority (NRS 706.1511)
- 9. Work Session

### May 6, 2014

- 1. Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice (NRS 176.0123)
- 2. Nevada Equal Rights Commission (NRS 233.030)
- 3. Board for the Education and Counseling of Displaced Homemakers (NRS 388.615)
- 4. Advisory Committee to the Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee and the Drug Use Review Board (NRS 422.4055)

- 5. Board of Trustees of the Fund for the Institutional Care of the Medically Indigent (NRS 428.470)
- 6. Commission on Nuclear Projects (NRS 459.0091)
- 7. State Apprenticeship Council (NRS 610.030)
- 8. Nevada Employment Security Council (NRS 612.305)
- 9. Work Session

## June 4, 2014

Work Session

### Not Scheduled for Review:

- 1. Commission for Common-Interest Communities and Condominium Hotels (NRS 116.600)—removed at the request of the Subcommittee member who selected the Commission
- 2. Governor's Workforce Investment Board (NRS 232.935)—determined to be outside the purview of the Sunset Subcommittee

#### APPENDIX E

Nevada Funeral and Cemetery Services Board Proposed Revisions to Chapter 642 of *Nevada Revised Statutes* 

Pursuant to the provisions of Assembly Bill 494 (Chapter 348, *Statutes of Nevada 2013*), periodically throughout the 2013–2014 Interim, the Nevada Funeral and Cemetery Services Board is required to prepare and present written reports of its activities to the Sunset Subcommittee on the Legislative Commission. As noted previously in this bulletin, the Board summarized its activities to the Subcommittee on January 13 and May 6 of 2014. Subsequent to the final meeting of the Subcommittee, Jennifer Kandt, Executive Director, submitted on behalf of the Board a report that includes recommendations for revisions to the *Nevada Revised Statutes*.

These proposals for revisions to provisions that govern the Board and its operations have not been reviewed by the Subcommittee, which takes no position on the requested changes. Rather, the Executive Director's report is included in Appendix E in compliance with the provisions of A.B. 494 and the continuing requirement for the Board to submit and the Subcommittee to receive reports of activities, until the convening of the 78th Session of the Nevada Legislature.

# State of Nevada FUNERAL AND CEMETERY SERVICES BOARD

501 Hammill Lane Reno, NV 89511

DR. WAYNE FAZZINO

Board Chair

JENNIFER KANDT Executive Director



August 7, 2014

Senate Sunset Subcommittee c/o Carol M. Stonefield 401 S. Carson St. Carson City, Nevada 89701

Dear Sunset Subcommittee,

Please accept this as the Nevada Funeral and Cemetery Services Boards Quarterly update in regards to Assembly Bill no. 494.

#### BACKGROUND AND NEED:

As related to Section 1 of the Bill: Renaming the Board the Nevada Funeral and Cemetery Services Board; this has been completed.

As to Section 2: Board will meet at least once every Calendar Quarter: First Board meeting of the new Board was held on November 5, 2013; Subsequent meetings have been held on January 7, 2014, February 18, 2014, May 6, 2014, June 12, 2014, and August 7, 2014. As you can see, the new Board has exceeded the requirement for conducting quarterly meetings as the Board recognizes that there is extensive work to be done.

As to Section 3: Maintain a principal office in this state and to employ an Executive Director and Inspector as well as establish minimum qualifications for these positions; maintain an internet website and post meeting minutes: The Board has hired Jennifer Kandt as the Executive Director effective June 1, 2014 and has hired an Investigator who will begin work on September 1, 2014. The internet website is functioning and contains many new references and resources for the public including listing all meeting agendas and minutes.

As to Section 5: Charge and collect a regulatory fee for each written and signed agreement for funeral services. This began October 1<sup>st</sup> and the Board has collected this fee from the month of October to the present.

As to Section 6: Termination of the existing board by October 1, 2013 and the appointment of new membership by December 31, 2013: the previous Board was dissolved effective October 1, 2013; Seven new Board Members were appointed. The structure of the Board consists of: Chairperson: Wayne Fazzino; Investigator with the State of Nevada AG's office-General Member

Treasurer: Lorretta Guazzini; Funeral Director and Owner of an Independent Mortuary in Nevada; Industry Member

Secretary: R. Todd Noecker; Funeral Director and Vice President of Legacy Funeral Holdings Nevada; Industry Member

Bart Burton; Funeral Director; Embalmer with Palm Mortuary of Nevada; Industry Member Tammy Dermody; Funeral Director and Owner of an Independent Mortuary in Nevada; Industry Member

Wendy Simons; Health Facility Compliance Consultant; State of Nevada; General Member Lisa Franqui; Bereavement Coordinator with Creekside Hospice of Nevada; General Member And acting counsel is Henna Rasul, Senior Deputy Attorney General /Bureau of Public Affairs

As to Section 7: Written reports submitted to the Sunset Subcommittee every 6 months: Two prior reports have been submitted.

#### LEGISLATIVE CHANGE REQUEST

The new Board created a legislative subcommittee to review current statutes and has found the need for some changes. The Board respectfully requests that the legislature consider a bill draft request to address the following issues:

- 1) There are currently no continuing education requirements for licensees. The Board has indicated that this is not in the best interest of public health and safety as individuals who may have been licensed 20 years ago do not have any requirements to update their industry knowledge. The Board is recommending that 10 hours per year of continuing education be required for Funeral Directors and Embalmers.
- 2) The Board has realized that there are no requirements for any certification or training for the individuals physically operating the crematory equipment. The Board issues permits to the operators (owners) of crematories, but nothing requires training for the individuals physically utilizing the equipment. The Board would request legislative change to require that the crematory owners ensure that every individual who physically operates the equipment has completed a standard certification (these are issued by various entities nationwide). The Board would not certify the individuals, but only verify their certifications during inspections.
- 3) The Board is requesting authority to conduct fingerprint based background checks to ensure public health and safety. The Board is tasked with ensuring that licensees have good moral character, and would request authority for fingerprint based background checks. The Board previously utilized fingerprint based background checks, but now specific authority within NRS is required for DPS to allow this type of background check.
- 4) The Board is requesting that the grounds for disciplinary action under NRS 642.470 be amended to include crematories and cemeteries. Currently, the grounds for disciplinary action only apply to Funeral Directors, Embalmers, Establishments, and licenses to conduct direct cremation and immediate burials, even though the Board licenses crematories and cemeteries.
- 5) The Board would like to clean up various sections that refer to the duties of the Board secretary and Board treasurer as many of the currently listed duties are handled by Board staff. One of the duties required of the Board secretary is to distribute a list of embalmers to railroads and transportation companies which is antiquated. Additionally, there is a reference to Board Chair and other references to President and the Board feels that this should be consistent.

- 6) NRS 642.0677 references the Attorney General taking various actions when in fact the Attorney General should be "recommending" these actions. The Board would like to see the language amended appropriately.
- 7) The Board would like to change the definition of a "funeral establishment" under NRS 642.016 to allow for "inactive preparation rooms" by requiring that the establishments only have access to necessary equipment and supplies for embalming and that nothing would prohibit embalming at a central location. Additionally they would like language regarding an establishment being maintained at all times in a sanitary and professional manner.
- 8) The Board would like to eliminate the direct cremation and immediate burial license under NRS 642.355 as they feel this is not in the best interest of public health and safety as the only requirement for this license is that they be 18 years old. There is no requirement for any testing, training or education on the handling and care of dead bodies. Additionally, there is no requirement that this type of activity be conducted at any specific location (i.e. establishment).

The Board is committed to ensuring public health and safety through oversight of this industry and respectfully requests consideration of these changes.

Best regards,

Jennifer Kandt Executive Director

## APPENDIX F

# Suggested Legislation

The following bill draft requests will be available during the 2015 Legislative Session, or can be accessed after Introduction at the following website: <a href="http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/78th2015/BDRList/">http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/78th2015/BDRList/</a>.

BDR 544	Makes various changes relating to the Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice.			
BDR 545	Makes various changes relating to the Committee for the Statewide Alert System.			
BDR 546	Makes various changes relating to the Board for the Education and Counseling of Displaced Homemakers.			
BDR 547	Authorizes disciplinary action against employee who improperly disposes of official state record.			
BDR 550	Makes various changes relating to the Nevada Commission for Women.			
BDR 551	Abolishes certain inactive boards and committees.			
BDR 552	Makes various changes to certain advisory committees in the field of health care.			
BDR 553	Makes various changes relating to the Nevada Employment Security Council.			
BDR 554	Makes various changes relating to the Executive Council of the Land Use Planning Advisory Council.			
BDR 555	Consolidates the Board of Examiners for Audiology and Speech Pathology and the Board of Hearing Aid Specialists.			