

**NEVADA STATE BOARD OF
PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS
AND
LAND SURVEYORS**



**Interim Board Meeting
February 12, 2025
Virtual**

1. Meeting Call to Order

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Public Comment

4. NRS 625

Waiver Requests

WAIVER REQUESTS
Wednesday, February 12, 2025

APPLICANTS REQUESTING WAIVER OF NRS 625.183(4)(B)			
NAME	DISCIPLINE	TO:	GRANT?
1. Sujata Subedi	CE	Greg DeSart, PE	
2. Pace Murray	CE	Greg DeSart, PE	
<i>NRS 625.183, ITEM 4, PART B, "TWO OF THE 4 YEARS OF ACTIVE EXPERIENCE MUST HAVE BEEN COMPLETED BY WORKING UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER WHO IS LICENSED IN THE DISCIPLINE IN WHICH THE APPLICANT IS APPLYING FOR LICENSURE, UNLESS THAT REQUIREMENT IS WAIVED BY THE BOARD."</i>			

5. Non-Appearance Applications for Initial Licensure

**NEVADA STATE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL
ENGINEERS AND LAND SURVEYORS
EDUCATION CREDIT GUIDELINES**

DEGREE	YEARS CREDIT (MAX)	YEARS ACCEPTABLE EXPERIENCE REQUIRED
Undergraduate (BS): ABET/EAC accredited	4	4
Undergraduate (BS): ABET/ETAC accredited	4	4
Undergraduate (BS Engineering): Washington Accord	4	4
Undergraduate (BS Engineering): Non-ABET/non-Washington Accord (must meet NCEES education standard, any deficiencies to be considered by board)	4	4
Undergraduate (BS Construction Management): ABET accredited	4	4
Undergraduate (BS Construction Management): Not ABET accredited but institution has ABET accredited engineering programs	4	4
Engineering Masters: US Masters with non-US BS and/or non-Washington Accord in Engineering	6	2
Engineering Doctorate: US Doctorate with non-ABET/non-Washington Accord/foreign BS+MS in Engineering	6	2

Civil

GREGORY AUFDERHEIDE (21-821-09)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

DISCIPLINE: CIVIL

GENERAL



Applying To
Nevada

Application Type
Initial - PE

Application Date
01/27/2025

Citizenship
United States

SUMMARY



Engineering Experience after EAC degree
2 years

Total Engineering Experience
2 years

Experience under licensed engineer
2 years

Disciplinary Action
None reported



EDUCATION



Bachelors in Civil Engineering (EAC)
University of Nevada, Reno
August 2018–December 2021

Masters in Civil and Environmental Engineering, Earthquake and Structural Engineering
University of Nevada, Reno
January 2022–December 2022

EXAMS



Fundamentals of Engineering (FE)
Nevada
August 2021

Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE)
Civil
Nevada
April 2024

LICENSES



Additional Licenses
None

WORK EXPERIENCE

Nevada Department of Transportation
Nevada (United States)
Staff II Associate Engineer
January 2023—January 2025

Verified by
Nathaniel Mangoba
Nmangoba@dot.nv.gov

Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: 2 years
Post EAC degree: 2 years
Experience under licensed engineer:
2 years



TASKS

During my time as an engineer, the main focus of my work has been structural design, specifically bridges and reinforced concrete boxes. This started off quite simple with bridge rehabilitation on existing structures, reviewing contractor submittals, and doing quantity checks of other engineers designs. Over time, it has evolved to encompass full design as I am currently starting on my second bridge design. I also participate in site visits of future projects to examine the structures and look for things that need to be fixed as well as attending construction meetings and visiting active construction jobs to ensure that what is being required matches up with our design.



REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

Access hatch patching

G805R Access Hatch Patching, Las Vegas, October 2023 - March 2024

This project involved sealing 7 access manholes on the bottom of one of our bridges in Las Vegas. I drafted details for the patches in Microstation, estimated quantities, and answered questions from the local project manager.

Bridge Rehabilitation

South 580 Resurfacing project, Reno, Nevada, January 2023 - October 2024

This project involved the resurfacing of a long stretch of Interstate 580 between Reno and Carson City and encompassed 9 structures that had a wide array of repairs needed from resurfacing all the bridges, rebuilt concrete headers, missing bolts on rails, spalling, and a high load strike from a truck on one of the bridges over Interstate 580. For this design, I visited each of the structures and inspected them for issues that would need to be fixed. I then prepared an estimate of the quantities involved and a project cost estimate for the repairs.

Bridge Replacement

Halleck Bridge Replacement, Halleck, Nevada, October 2023 - November 2024

This project involved the design of a bridge replacement of a structure out in Halleck, Nevada. For the first step, I designed the deck, rails, and prestressed girders using the AASHTO Bridge Design Specifications and PCI code. Next, I designed the substructure including the bearings, wingwalls, and using the Strut and Tie method for design of the abutments. The pile design for the abutments and pier as well as the pier cap design were the final design steps that I designed. I calculated elevations for where the new profile and bridge will be and calculated quantities for the new structure.

DOUGLAS FELLENTZ (13-751-25)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

DISCIPLINE: CIVIL

GENERAL



Applying To
Nevada

Application Type
Initial - PE

Application Date
01/09/2025

Citizenship
United States

SUMMARY



Engineering Experience after EAC degree
6 years

Total Engineering Experience
6 years

Experience under licensed engineer
6 years

Surveying Experience after EAC degree

Total Surveying Experience
3 years

Experience under licensed surveyor
3 years

Other Experience

Disciplinary Action In:
AR



EDUCATION



Bachelors in Civil Engineering (EAC)
University of Arkansas, Fayetteville
August 2003–December 2007

EXAMS



Fundamentals of Engineering (FE)
Arkansas
October 2006

Fundamentals of Surveying (FS)
Arkansas
April 2006

Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE)
Civil
Nevada
December 2024



NOTE: Mr Fellenz was disciplined by the Arkansas in July 2014 – where his EI Certification was revoked.

Mr Fellenz appeared before the Nevada Board on November 18, 2021, to petition for consideration of an EI Certification application in Nevada. The Nevada Board issued a Decision and Order on January 12, 2022, approving Mr Fellenz' application for EI Certification with conditional requirements. Mr Fellenz' EI Certification was put on stayed suspension status and subject to probation for a period of 24 months. On January 24, 2024, his EI Certification was released from probation following completion of the terms his Decision and Order.

His EI Certification is free and clear with no restrictions and is in good standing.

LICENSES



Additional Licenses
None

DOUGLAS FELLEZ (13-751-25)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

WORK EXPERIENCE

Western Sizzlin Steakhouse
Arkansas (United States)
General Manager
May 1998—August 2000

Verified by

Experience Summary
Full-Time
Other: (0%)
Experience under licensed surveyor:
None



DESCRIPTION

WORK EXPERIENCE

B&F Engineering Inc.
Arkansas (United States)
Survey Crew Chief
August 2000—August 2003

Verified by
James W Montgomery
james.montgomery@craftontull.com

Experience Summary
Full-Time
Surveying: 3 years
Experience under licensed surveyor:
3 years



TASKS

Performed construction, topographic, ALTA, hydrographic, horizontal and vertical control, and boundary surveys throughout the state of Arkansas. Duties included being in charge of an out-of-town field crew consisting of an instrument man and rodman each work day, responsible for a survey truck and all associated survey equipment, keeping the truck organized and stocked, organizing the work to be done each day and assigning who will perform each task, taking all field notes and sketches in the field book for every job, and running vertical level loops and horizontal traverses with the crew. I coordinated and communicated throughout the day where all shots needed to be taken during a topographic survey task. I evaluated the appropriate maps as relevant to coordinate reconnaissance and location of boundary corners for retracement surveys.



REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

Survey Crew Chief

Arkansas Highway & Transportation Department, I-69 Connector between Monticello, Arkansas and Pine Bluff, Arkansas. The scope of the project was to establish both the horizontal alignment and vertical control system for use during construction of the proposed section of interstate.

Project Dates: most of year 2001 & 2002

Interstate Highway Horizontal Alignment & Vertical Control:

I worked to set horizontal & vertical aerial panel points along the approximate 38-mile proposed interstate alignment for aerial photogrammetry flights.

I ran a survey crew to set horizontal control points based on allowable AHTD requirements for both maximum distance between points and maximum deviations from true design centerline alignment, cutting line throughout as needed for proper site visibility between points.

I ran a survey crew to perform closed level loops (approximately 5-6 miles per work day) and established both interim benchmarks and vertical elevations to control points along interstate alignment to be within acceptable AHTD closure tolerances.

I ran a survey crew to perform closed loop horizontal traverses and established horizontal coordinates for control points along interstate alignment to be within acceptable AHTD closure precision.

Survey Crew Chief

Arkansas Highway & Transportation Department Horizontal Control Network throughout Arkansas. The scope of the project was to establish primary horizontal control point pairs in several communities throughout Arkansas and perform a series of three GPS observations on each pair before advancing to the next community.

Project Dates: November 2002-June 2003

AHTD Statewide Horizontal Control Network:

I reviewed the overall map as provided by the AHTD of all the locations requiring horizontal control point pairs and established my weekly itinerary for travelling to each location.

I arrived at each location, evaluated and confirmed the pre-determined locations for each point from the AHTD map, proceeded to set a rebar and aluminum cap for each point location, then I set up the GPS equipment on the two points and the associated antenna mounted on an extended level rod, and performed a 2-hour observation on those points.

After the first 2-hour observation was complete, I then waited for 1 hour, then I began a 2nd 2-hour observation on the points.

After the second 2-hour observation was complete, I then waited for 1 hour, then I began the 3rd and final 2-hour observation on the points.

While one of the observations was collecting GPS data, I also prepared an ephemeris diagram for each of the points set to include with the submittal back to the AHTD.

Once the 3rd observation of the points was complete, I collected all the equipment and returned it to the truck, then proceeded to map my course to the next community on the itinerary to perform the same tasks again for that horizontal control point pair.

DOUGLAS FELLEZ (13-751-25)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

WORK EXPERIENCE

B&F Engineering Inc.
Arkansas (United States)
Project Engineer/Project Manager
June 2007—June 2010

Verified by
Douglas Fellenz (Self)

Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: (0%)
Experience under licensed engineer:
None

TASKS

I designed Scopes of Work for various projects and performed value engineering analyses at various stages of my designs to determine the best engineered solution for the client, environment, and public safety. I calculated, analyzed, and evaluated existing site conditions and topographic data used in determining suitability of site conditions per all City, State, and Federal building codes and design specifications, as well as to establish acceptable site grading and drainage patterns. I calculated earthwork volumes and designed finish grade profiles in Civil3D. I designed preliminary and final site layout plans for both residential subdivisions and commercial development projects. I evaluated proposed site layout plans to determine and design the associated necessary site demolition plans. I analyzed, designed, calculated, and modeled the horizontal and vertical geometry for projects using Civil3D. I designed utility asset alignments and connections to existing systems and calculated and designed all necessary utility profiles using Civil3D, including analysis of minimum horizontal and vertical separation requirements per all water district regulations. I designed storm water drainage plans, including hydrologic calculations for pre- and post-development site conditions and hydraulic pipe segment and inlet sizing, using Rational Method, SCS Curve Number Method or Manning's Equation formulas as determined appropriate. I designed site erosion and sediment controls per local and State requirements. I provided necessary representation and communication to Clients, and I coordinated with contractors to ensure compliance with construction drawings and specifications. I reviewed and answered Requests for Information (RFIs), and I generated engineering cost estimates. I developed and submitted technical reports, drainage studies, Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans, Stormwater Management Plans, Stormwater Maintenance Plans, OSHA Structural Load Capacity Analysis reports, and Federal, State, and Municipal permits as required by project.

REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

Fairgrounds Crossing Commercial Development
Hot Springs, Garland County, Arkansas
Client: SDI Realty, Inc. (Houston, Texas)
Dates: April 2008 – June 2010

Level of Responsibility: Civil Engineer working under and reporting to a registered professional engineer

Scope of Project: Value engineering analyses and subsequent Final engineering re-design and jurisdictional permitting to meet Client's financial goals during construction of an approximate 35-acre commercial shopping center

Description of Engineering Decisions Made: I initially performed value engineering analyses at the request of the Client of an existing set of construction drawings, inclusive of exterior retaining walls and site drainage system and on-site detention using Civil3D software. Based on the results of my analyses, I re-designed and re-calculated and produced new project construction drawings, including design of the overall site layout plan sheets. I evaluated between alternative drainage systems at various locations across the site (CMP, RCP, concrete box culvert, open concrete line ditch, and open grass lined swale) to determine the best engineered solution for the client, environment, and public safety. I analyzed existing drainage systems on exterior roadways surrounding the project area to calculate and design upgraded systems considering storm and flow data as well as City of Hot Springs regulatory compliance. I performed hydrology calculations using both storm and sanitary analysis in Civil3D and by hand using the Rational Method formulas to recommend upgrades and design drainage and sewerage structures. I analyzed, calculated, and planned pipe alignments within larger pipe networks both in Civil3D and by hand using Manning's Equation. I calculated earthwork volumes and designed finish grade profiles using Civil3D modeling software. I designed the location and alignments needed to provide utilities services to each proposed building, including the design of all utility connections to existing systems. I calculated, designed, and produced the utility profiles, including analysis of minimum horizontal and vertical separation requirements per City of Hot Springs Utilities Division requirements. I designed the site erosion and sediment controls for the project, and I developed and submitted the Final Site Drainage Report, Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan, Stormwater Management Plan, Stormwater Maintenance Plan to ADEQ and the City of Hot Springs per Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality and City of Hot Springs regulations.

Catherine's Landing at Hot Springs RV Resort & Residential Development

Garland County, Arkansas

Client: RVC USA, Inc. (Memphis, Tennessee)

Dates: August 2008 – June 2010

Level of Responsibility: Civil Engineer working under and reporting to a registered professional engineer

Scope of Project: Complete civil design and jurisdictional permitting, along with subsequent day-to-day project management/project coordination services for an approximate 400-acre RV Resort and Residential Development, Phases I & II.

Description of Engineering Decisions Made: I designed, analyzed, calculated, evaluated, and produced overall site layout and infrastructure to include 128 RV sites, 234 recreational cabins, welcome lodge complex w/ associated parking area and infinity pool, 50'x75' activity pavilion, 3 site comfort stations, 8-slip boat dock & boat launch ramp w/ associated boat trailer parking, and secondary clubhouse w/ associated parking area (Phase II) incorporating all State of Arkansas Department of Health, Americans with Disabilities Act and local Garland County regulations. This included analysis, design, and specification of earthwork, flexible and rigid base courses, flexible surface courses, rigid pavement, perimeter fencing, drainage systems and structures, and lighting. Calculations were completed in Civil3D software to provide optimal designs and recommendations. I evaluated between alternative drainage systems at various locations across the site to determine the best engineered solution for the client, environment, and public safety. I performed hydrology calculations using both storm and sanitary analysis in Civil3D and by hand using the SCS Curve Number Method formulas, and I used these results to design drainage and sewerage structures. I analyzed, calculated, and planned pipe alignments within larger pipe networks both in Civil3D and by hand using Manning's Equation. I calculated earthwork volumes and designed finish grade profiles using Civil3D modeling software. I designed the location and alignments needed to provide utilities services to each proposed RV slip, including the design of all utility connections to existing systems. I calculated, designed, and produced the utility profiles, including analysis of minimum horizontal and vertical separation requirements per Garland County Utilities Division requirements. I designed the site erosion and sediment controls for the project.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Atoka, Inc.
Arkansas (United States)
Project Engineer/Project Manager
September 2010—April 2012

Verified by
JASON Charles Temple
jtemple5456@live.com

Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: 1 year, 7 months
Post EAC degree: 1 year, 7 months
Experience under licensed engineer:
1 year, 7 months



TASKS

I designed Scopes of Work for various projects and performed value engineering analyses at various stages of my designs to determine the best engineered solution for the client, environment, and public safety. I calculated, analyzed, and evaluated existing site conditions and topographic data used in determining suitability of site conditions per all City, State, and Federal building codes and design specifications, as well as to establish acceptable site grading and drainage patterns. I calculated earthwork volumes and designed finish grade profiles in Civil3D. I designed preliminary and final site layout plans for both residential subdivisions and commercial development projects. I evaluated proposed site layout plans to determine and design the associated necessary site demolition plans. I analyzed, designed, calculated, and modeled the horizontal and vertical geometry for projects using Civil3D. I designed utility asset alignments and connections to existing systems and calculated and designed all necessary utility profiles using Civil3D, including analysis of minimum horizontal and vertical separation requirements per all water district regulations. I designed storm water drainage plans, including hydrologic calculations for pre- and post-development site conditions and hydraulic pipe segment and inlet sizing, using Rational Method, SCS Curve Number Method or Manning's Equation formulas as determined appropriate. I designed site erosion and sediment controls per local and State requirements. I provided necessary representation and communication to Clients, and I coordinated with contractors to ensure compliance with construction drawings and specifications. I reviewed and answered Requests for Information (RFIs), and I generated engineering cost estimates. I developed and submitted technical reports, drainage studies, Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans, Stormwater Management Plans, Stormwater Maintenance Plans, OSHA Structural Load Capacity Analysis reports, and Federal, State, and Municipal permits as required by project.



REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

Grace Village Subdivision – Phase II & III
Saline County, Arkansas
Client: Broken Bow Development, Inc.
Dates: November 2010 - April 2012

Level of Responsibility: Civil Engineer working under and reporting to a registered professional engineer

Scope of Project: Preliminary and Final engineering design and jurisdictional permitting of Phase 2 & 3 of a residential subdivision development

Description of Engineering Decisions Made: I designed, analyzed, calculated, evaluated, and produced overall site layout and infrastructure to include 35 lots (10.52 ac.) in Phase 2 and 23 lots (6.82 ac.) in Phase 3 incorporating all State of Arkansas Department of Health design requirements, as well as Americans with Disabilities Act and local Saline County regulations. This included analysis, design, and specification of earthwork, flexible and rigid base courses, flexible surface courses, rigid pavement, perimeter fencing, drainage systems and structures, and lighting. Calculations were completed in Civil3D software to provide optimal designs and recommendations for both the layout of the subdivision lots and the most efficient layout of the water and sewer infrastructure and site drainage structures. I evaluated between alternative drainage systems at various locations across the site to determine the best engineered solution for the client, environment, and public safety. I performed hydrology calculations using both storm and sanitary analysis in Civil3D and by hand using the Rational Method formulas, and I used these results to design drainage and sewerage structures. I analyzed, calculated, and planned pipe alignments within larger pipe networks both in Civil3D and by hand using Manning's Equation. I calculated earthwork volumes and designed finish grade profiles using Civil3D modeling software. I designed the location and alignments needed to provide utilities services to each proposed RV slip, including the design of all utility connections to existing systems. I calculated, designed, and produced the utility profiles, including analysis of minimum horizontal and vertical separation requirements per Garland County Utilities Division requirements. I designed the site erosion and sediment controls for the project, inclusive of the location of all necessary BMPs and other erosion control measures such as silt fencing and straw bale barriers to prevent sedimentation transport or excessive erosion of site features. I developed and submitted the Final Site Drainage Report, Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan, Stormwater Management Plan, Stormwater Maintenance Plan to ADEQ and Saline County Stormwater Division per their jurisdictional regulations. During the project and at

every major milestone completion, I performed detailed peer review meetings with the engineering manager I was under direct supervision of, confirming adherence to the design requirements.

WORK EXPERIENCE

AB Engineering Inc.
Arkansas (United States)
Project Engineer/Project Manager
April 2012—August 2013

Verified by
Aaron R Burroughs
aaronb@atokainc.com

Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: 1 year, 4 months
Post EAC degree: 1 year, 4 months
Experience under licensed engineer:
1 year, 4 months



TASKS

I was responsible for day-to-day operations, along with partner, including management of staff including 2 Engineering Technicians and an Executive Assistant/Bookkeeper, evaluation with partner of Accounts Receivables/Accounts Payables, budgeting of office overhead expenses & labor expenses with partner, and development of ongoing marketing strategies. I developed & maintained a substantial client list, including large-scale commercial developments across Arkansas, Texas & Louisiana, multi-phase residential subdivisions, retail & restaurant projects, and numerous health care facilities across Arkansas. I provided necessary representation to clients for all projects requiring City of Hot Springs approval either administratively with the Planning & Development Department, or publicly during scheduled Planning Commission and/or Board of Directors meetings. I performed various calculations daily, including grading calculations, detention volumes, pipe sizing, pre- and post-development hydrologic analysis, and jurisdictional Code compliance aspects for off-street parking and handicap requirements. I prepared several technical reports, drainage studies, Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans, Stormwater Management Plans, Stormwater Maintenance Plans, OSHA Structural Load Capacity Analysis reports, and Federal, State, and Municipal permits as required by project. I was also responsible for recognizing and submitting proposals for future projects.



REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

Project Site Engineer

Spa Auto Sales Development (Bypass Properties LLC). The scope of this project was to provide engineering design and jurisdictional permitting services, as well as construction period oversight services, for the construction of an automotive dealership.

May 2012 - August 2013

I served as project engineer for a 5.64-acre automotive dealership development. My responsibilities included the design of the preliminary site layout, design of all site utilities and utility connections and associated calculations, site grading calculations and spot elevations/slopes throughout, evaluation of storm drainage, soil erosion, and sedimentation controls for the jurisdictional permit application and review process.

I also was responsible for preparing the storm water pollution prevention plan and storm water management report.

Upon successfully obtaining all building permits, I was responsible for oversight and general engineering assistance as needed during construction to answer any questions from the Contractor and to correct any unforeseen issues during construction to eliminate excessive delays in construction timelines.

DOUGLAS FELLEZ (13-751-25)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

WORK EXPERIENCE

Books-A Million
Arkansas (United States)
Associate
September 2013—April 2014

Verified by

Experience Summary
Full-Time
Other: (0%)
Experience under licensed surveyor:
None



DESCRIPTION

DOUGLAS FELLEZ (13-751-25)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

WORK EXPERIENCE

Osmose Utilities Services
Arkansas (United States)
Field Inspector
May 2014—August 2015

Verified by

Experience Summary
Full-Time
Other: (0%)
Experience under licensed surveyor:
None



DESCRIPTION

DOUGLAS FELLEENZ (13-751-25)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

WORK EXPERIENCE

The Domay Group LLC
Virgin Islands (U.S. Virgin Islands)
Owner
September 2015—December 2017

Verified by

Experience Summary
Full-Time
Other: (0%)
Experience under licensed surveyor:
None



DESCRIPTION

DOUGLAS FELLEZ (13-751-25)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

WORK EXPERIENCE

UVA Medical Center
Virginia (United States)
Patient Safety Companion
July 2019—July 2021

Verified by

Experience Summary
Full-Time
Other: (0%)
Experience under licensed surveyor:
None



DESCRIPTION

WORK EXPERIENCE

TEC Civil Engineering Consultants
Nevada (United States)
Project Engineer/Project Manager
December 2021 – January 2025

Verified by
Jacob R Hildebrand
jhildebrand@tecreno.com

Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: 3 years, 1 month
Post EAC degree: 3 years, 1 month
Experience under licensed engineer:
3 years, 1 month



TASKS

I designed Scopes of Work for various projects and performed value engineering analyses at various stages of my designs to determine the best engineered solution for the client, environment, and public safety. I calculated, analyzed, and evaluated existing site conditions and topographic data used in determining suitability of site conditions per all City, State, and Federal building codes and design specifications, as well as to establish acceptable site grading and drainage patterns. I calculated earthwork volumes and designed finish grade profiles in Civil3D. I designed preliminary and final site layout plans for both residential subdivisions and commercial development projects. I evaluated proposed site layout plans to determine and design the associated necessary site demolition plans. I analyzed, designed, calculated, and modeled the horizontal and vertical geometry for projects using Civil3D. I designed utility asset alignments and connections to existing systems and calculated and designed all necessary utility profiles using Civil3D, including analysis of minimum horizontal and vertical separation requirements per all water district regulations. I designed storm water drainage plans, including hydrologic calculations for pre- and post-development site conditions and hydraulic pipe segment and inlet sizing, using Rational Method, SCS Curve Number Method or Manning's Equation formulas as determined appropriate. I designed site erosion and sediment controls per local and State requirements. I provided necessary representation and communication to Clients, and I coordinated with contractors to ensure compliance with construction drawings and specifications. I reviewed and answered Requests for Information (RFIs), and I generated engineering cost estimates. I developed and submitted technical reports, drainage studies, Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans, Stormwater Management Plans, Stormwater Maintenance Plans, and Federal, State, and Municipal permits as required by project.



REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

The Human Bean of Reno
Reno, Washoe County, Nevada
Client: The Human Bean of Reno, Inc.
Dates: January 2022 – August 2023

Level of Responsibility: Civil Engineer working under and reporting to a registered professional engineer

Scope of Project: Preliminary and Final engineering design and jurisdictional permitting services, as well as construction period oversight services, for the construction of a commercial coffee shop development.

Description of Engineering Decisions Made: I designed, analyzed, calculated, evaluated, and produced overall site layout and infrastructure for a 0.44-acre commercial coffee shop development incorporating all Nevada Department of Environmental Protection, Americans with Disabilities Act and local City of Reno regulations. This included analysis, design, and specification of earthwork, flexible and rigid base courses, flexible surface courses, rigid pavement, perimeter fencing, drainage systems and structures, and lighting. Calculations were completed by me in Civil3D software to provide optimal designs and recommendations. I evaluated between alternative drainage systems at various locations across the site to determine the best engineered solution for the client, environment, and public safety. I calculated earthwork volumes and designed finish grade profiles using Civil3D modeling software. I designed the location and alignments needed to provide utilities services to the coffee shop building and the trench drain in front of the dumpster enclosure, including the design of all utility connections to existing systems. I designed the site erosion and sediment controls for the project, inclusive of the location of all necessary BMPs and other erosion control measures such as silt fencing and fiber roll barriers to prevent sedimentation transport or excessive erosion of site features. During the project and at every major milestone completion, I performed detailed peer review meetings with the engineering manager I was under direct supervision of, confirming adherence to the design requirements.

Iron Valley Estates Subdivision – Phases 1A, 1B, 2 thru 5
Hwy 50 East, Stagecoach, Lyon County, Nevada
Client: Lucas Homes and Development, LLC
Dates: May 2022 – Present

Level of Responsibility: Civil Engineer working under and reporting to a registered professional engineer

Scope of Project: Preliminary and Final engineering design and jurisdictional permitting services, for the construction of a 186-lot residential subdivision development.

Description of Engineering Decisions Made: I designed, analyzed, calculated, evaluated, and produced overall site layout and infrastructure for a 497-acre residential subdivision development consisting of 186 2-acre or larger lots across multiple phases of design, review and approval, and construction incorporating all Nevada Department of Environmental Protection design requirements, as well as Americans with Disabilities Act and Lyon County regulations. This included analysis, design, and specification of earthwork, flexible and rigid base courses, flexible surface courses, rigid pavement, perimeter fencing, and drainage systems and structures. Calculations were completed by me in Civil3D software to provide optimal designs and recommendations for both the layout of the subdivision lots and the most efficient layout of the water infrastructure and site drainage structures. I evaluated between alternative drainage systems at various locations across the site to determine the best engineered solution for the client, environment, and public safety. I performed hydrology calculations using both storm and sanitary analysis in Civil3D and by hand using both the Rational Method and SCS Curve Number Method formulas, and I used these results to design drainage structures. I analyzed, calculated, and planned roadside and interior lot line drainage ditches and roadway culvert crossings using Manning's Equation. I designed the location and alignments needed to provide utilities services to each proposed lot, including the design of all utility connections to existing systems. I calculated, designed, and produced the utility profiles, including analysis of minimum horizontal and vertical separation requirements per NDEP and Stagecoach General Improvement District requirements. I designed the site erosion and sediment controls for the project, inclusive of the location of all necessary BMPs and other erosion control measures such as silt fencing and fiber roll barriers to prevent sedimentation transport or excessive erosion of site features. During the project and at every major milestone completion, I performed detailed peer review meetings with the engineering manager I was under direct supervision of, confirming adherence to the design requirements. I am continuing to be responsible for final engineering design services for the remaining phases of the project in like manner.

DOUGLAS FELLEENZ (13-751-25)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



TIME GAPS

Start Date	End Date	Explanation
May 1994	April 1998	I was a student at Ouachita Baptist University in Arkadelphia, Arkansas, pursuing a degree in Business Management during this period of time. I attending Ouachita Baptist University for 4 years, but no degree obtained.
January 2018	June 2019	We received approval for petition to get wife's 2 daughters from the Philippines. They were very behind in education, so I tutored the 2 girls in all areas of high school curriculum. Both girls became Valedictorian.

GENERAL



Applying To
Nevada

Application Type
Initial - PE

Application Date
01/23/2025

Citizenship
United States

SUMMARY



Engineering Experience after EAC degree
8 years, 7 months

Total Engineering Experience
8 years, 7 months

Experience under licensed engineer
None

Disciplinary Action
None reported



EDUCATION



Bachelors in Civil Engineering (EAC)
US Military Academy, USMA
July 2012–May 2016

Masters in Civil Engineering (In progress)
Stanford University
September 2023–June 2025



WAIVER REQUEST: NRS 625.183, item 4, part b, which states, “two of the four years of active experience must have been completed by working under the direct supervision of a professional engineer who is licensed in the discipline in which the applicant is applying for licensure, unless that requirement is waived by the Board.”

EXAMS



Fundamentals of Engineering (FE)
New York
April 2016

Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE)
Civil
South Carolina
September 2024

LICENSES



Additional Licenses
None

WORK EXPERIENCE

US Army

Tennessee (United States)

Company Commander

May 2016—December 2024

Verified by

Michael Lunstead Harrison

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Experience Summary

Full-Time

Engineering: 8 years, 7 months

Post EAC degree: 8 years, 7 months

Experience under licensed engineer: None

TASKS

2016-2019 Platoon Leader, Vilseck, Germany

As a Platoon Leader in the U.S. Army, I managed a 40-Soldier Infantry Platoon. My primary engineering discipline was personnel management. I oversaw \$50 million worth of army vehicles and equipment. My responsibilities included personnel management, planning, resource allocation, and direct leadership, ensuring efficient and safe execution of all activities

2019-2021 Program Manager of Infantry School Curriculum, Ft. Moore, GA

In this role, I served as the course manager of over 1600 Soldiers. My responsibilities included logistics management, supply chain oversight, quality control, instructor certification, and schedule optimization. I conducted resource-leveling across a 19-week curriculum while meeting my higher command's intent.

2022-2023 Company Commander, Fort Campbell, KY, and West Point, NY

As a Company Commander, I led 103 Soldiers and managed \$100 million worth of government property. My duties involved scheduling and logistics management for 16 vehicles, preparing them for worldwide deployment in a 30-day alert window. I was selected #1 out of 60 of my peers for outstanding training metrics.

2023-2024 Graduate Student, Stanford University

Currently, I am a graduate student in Stanford University's Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering. I have published an article in the Military Operations Research Journal on reference class forecasting. I have also given a guest lecture at the Naval Postgraduate School on reference class forecasting and stochastic cost estimation for large civil engineering projects.

2024, Project Manager- Intern, Heidelberg Materials

I assisted the Project Manager at the Permanente Creek Limestone Quarry and Aggregate plant. My primary duties were to optimize scheduling for 24/7 water treatment plant operations, review Environmental Reports, and analyze geotechnical reports for slope stability.

REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

2016-2019 Platoon Leader, Vilseck, Germany

NATO Defensive Plan: I planned and oversaw the construction of 10 shallow trenches and over 100m of wired obstacles. I oversaw project implementation, coordinated labor and resources, and ensured compliance with environmental and safety standards. I also monitored progress, addressed issues on-site, and ensured the project was completed within the allocated time frame.

2019-2022 Program Manager of Infantry School Curriculum, Ft. Moore, GA

LSCO Transition- I created a 19-week training curriculum, like a project management plan, which involved de-conflicting 1100 instructor hours, ensuring efficient execution of complex training cycles. I designed and reviewed 10 shallow trenches constructed over a week. I served as the quality control and safety representative to ensure trenches were dug to Army code. I served as an owner's representative for a site feasibility study for a new range by outlining building locations and specifications.

2022-2023 Company Commander, Fort Campbell, KY, and West Point, NY

Cadet Summer Training- I created a project plan for 103 Soldiers. This included risk identification and management for Soldiers with a wide variety of competencies and backgrounds. I created contractor schedules for maintenance, landscaping, hygiene, food, and water resupply. I created an interior restoration effort after a natural disaster. I did material takeoffs and scheduled work including demolition, plumbing, electrical, plumbing, insulation, drywall, painting, and flooring. I was quality control and safety manager for the project.

Platoon Training Exercise with Earthwork Construction Planning: I identified suitable earthwork locations for an Army Bulldozer

and coordinated with adjacent engineering platoons to use their equipment. I worked with relevant environmental agencies to ensure I avoided all utilities.

2023-2024 Graduate Student, Stanford University

Flyvbjerg Research- At Stanford, I published a paper on innovative ways of using reference class forecasting to improve cost estimation for large civil engineering projects. My research centered on the data collected by Dr. Bent Flyvbjerg, a respected name in infrastructure megaprojects. Using a Montecarlo simulation and excel add-ins, I created a simple dashboard that predicted the chances of a megaproject going overbudget and the magnitude of that excess. This research was based on over 16,000 civil engineering projects from around the world. I presented this research at the Naval Postgraduate School and it was published in the Military Operations Research Journal .

2024, Project Manager- Intern, Heidelberg Materials

Permanente Quarry Reclamation Plan- I reviewed over 20 geotechnical reports focused on slope stability analysis. I created a 24/7 work schedule for the water treatment plant and tested a standard operating procedure for Reverse Osmosis machine cleaning. I also photographed and categorized over 15 different potential environmental issues that would delay the reclamation project. Finally, I inspected and categorized a temporary aggregate plant to facilitate Heidelberg Materials internal quality control mechanisms.

CHASE PARKER (18-846-46)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

DISCIPLINE: CIVIL

GENERAL



Applying To
Nevada

Application Type
Initial - PE

Application Date
01/24/2025

Citizenship
United States

SUMMARY



Engineering Experience after EAC degree
4 years, 8 months

Total Engineering Experience
4 years, 8 months

Experience under licensed engineer
4 years, 8 months

Other Experience

Disciplinary Action
None reported



EDUCATION



Bachelors in Civil Engineering (EAC)
University of Nevada, Reno
August 2013–May 2018

EXAMS



Fundamentals of Engineering (FE)
Nevada
September 2019

Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE)
Civil
Nevada
July 2024



LICENSES



Additional Licenses
None

CHASE PARKER (18-846-46)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

WORK EXPERIENCE

Johnny Rockets
Nevada (United States)
Server
June 2018—August 2019

Verified by

Experience Summary
Full-Time
Other: (0%)
Experience under licensed surveyor:
None



DESCRIPTION

CHASE PARKER (18-846-46)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

WORK EXPERIENCE

Nevada Department of Transportation
Nevada (United States)
Technician III
August 2019—May 2020

Verified by
Chase Parker (Self)

Experience Summary
Full-Time
Other: (0%)
Experience under licensed surveyor:
None



DESCRIPTION

WORK EXPERIENCE

Reno Engineering Corporation
Nevada (United States)
CAD Drafter / Civil Designer
May 2020—January 2025

Verified by
Britton Griffith
britton.rec@gmail.com

Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: 4 years, 8 months
Post EAC degree: 4 years, 8 months
Experience under licensed engineer:
4 years, 8 months



TASKS

Reno Engineering Corporation is a civil development services company that deals in land development for commercial and industrial type projects. My job is to design civil construction plans that outline and illustrate the site development, utility layout, proposed grading on existing topography, erosion control, and applicable city, county, or state standard details. All construction plans are designed by using AutoCAD/Civil3D for both drafting and civil design purposes. Specific civil engineering practices that play a part in designing commercial or industrial land that are outlined in the construction plans are hydrology and hydraulics/pipe conduits. Examples of the application of these practices include creating proposed grades for buildings and lots that mitigate the 100-year storm in a way that is feasible and cost effective, and laying out utilities that comply with city or county standards, such as the correct sizing, depth, and the correct placement of applicable components to a utility whether it would be a valve, manhole, etc.

Starting out at Reno Engineering Corporation, I had very limited knowledge on how to use Civil3D for engineering purposes. I would mainly work as a CAD drafter and would work on revisions to construction plans per comments that were made by city or county officials. Doing so allowed me to become more familiar with the format of these plans, as well as being able to decipher typical civil engineering set of plans. After my first year with the company, I had become more familiar with the basic functions of Civil3D and started to gravitate to the more complex functions of the program, which includes creating pipe networks, pressure networks, proposed surfaces off existing topography, roadway assemblies and corridors, and profiles that illustrate proposed grade compared to existing grade. Learning these skills have allowed to become more proficient and competent as a civil engineer.



REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

Northern Nevada Industrial Center

Northern Nevada Industrial Center is a project that is located East of Reno along US Parkway and North of Highway 50. The project is meant to accommodate future industrial type structures such as warehouses, factories, etc. The design of this project requires proposed grading for roadways, building pads, drainage channels, detention basins, and reinforced concrete box culverts. During my time at Reno Engineering Corporation, I became most heavily involved in the redesign of process of the drainage channels and culvert calculations. Working alongside House Moran Consulting on all hydrologic matters regarding the project, I was able to receive more accurate drainage basin acreages for both existing and proposed conditions along with the 25 and 100-year flows that would occur from each basin. With these new numbers, I redesigned the drainage channels to accommodate the newly calculated flow of stormwater that would occur while maintaining a minimum freeboard of 1 foot and making sure the redesign would remain economical. With the new design of the drainage channels, I then determined the adequate invert elevations, length, and slope for the box culverts that would sufficiently drain stormwater while maintaining a maximum runoff depth of 6 inches on the roadway due to the 100-year storm with the use of HY-8 Culvert Hydraulic Analysis. Next was grading the inlet and outlets of the box culverts in conformance to U.S. department of transportation Federal Highway Administration – hydraulic design of energy dissipators for culverts and channels to mitigate erosion and scour due to stormwater flow. Lastly, I reviewed the drainage report for the Northern Nevada Industrial Center Project and updated all information gathered from my calculations that would accurately depict the hydrologic design of the project.

Annette Ave Extension

The Annette Avenue Extension is a subproject of the Northern Nevada Industrial Center project. The objective is to extend the existing roadway all the way up to the NNIC property that would allow a potable distribution waterline to run all the way from Carson River to the property. The project required the following tasks:

- Graded the proposed roadway with Civil3D on existing topography while taking the following into account: limiting the longitudinal slope of the gravel roadway to under 12%, achieving a consistent cross-sectional slope of the entire gravel roadway between 4% and 6%, and maintaining a balanced ratio of cut and fill throughout the entire length of the proposed road.
- Determined the acreage of drainage basins, time of concentration, and 100-year flow from the existing topography relative to the

proposed road where storm runoff would intersect the roadway.

- Designed the size, material, and number of corrugated metal pipe culverts required to accommodate for 100-year flow from each drainage basin while considering the mitigation of erosion and scour that would occur due to storm runoff.
- Designed the layout of the potable waterline running through the roadway while following the standards and guideline set forth by Lyon County and Truckee Meadows Water Authority, such as the adequate depth, deflection, and material of the waterline.
- Coordinated with Universal Engineering Sciences with the purpose of mitigating any environmental impacts that would occur due to the project.

SAMUEL SCHNORBUS (18-780-67)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

DISCIPLINE: CIVIL

GENERAL



Applying To
Nevada

Application Type
Initial - PE

Application Date
01/30/2025

Citizenship
United States

SUMMARY



Engineering Experience
after EAC degree
4 years, 10 months

Total Engineering
Experience
4 years, 10 months

Experience under licensed
engineer
4 years, 10 months

Other Experience

Disciplinary Action
None reported



EDUCATION



Associates in Science
Western Nevada College
January 2012–December 2015

Bachelors in Civil Engineering (EAC)
University of Nevada, Reno
January 2016–December 2018

EXAMS



Fundamentals of Engineering (FE)
Nevada
April 2018

Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE)
Civil
Nevada
December 2024

LICENSES



Additional Licenses
None

SAMUEL SCHNORBUS (18-780-67)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

WORK EXPERIENCE

Beneficial Designs
Nevada (United States)
Assessment Technician
October 2010—March 2020

Verified by

Experience Summary
Full-Time
Other: (0%)
Experience under licensed surveyor:
None



DESCRIPTION

SAMUEL SCHNORBUS (18-780-67)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

WORK EXPERIENCE

AtkinsRealis
Nevada (United States)
Engineer II
March 2020—January 2025

Verified by
Kathryn Joy Robinson
kathryn.robinson@atkinsrealis.com

Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: 4 years, 10 months
Post EAC degree: 4 years, 10 months
Experience under licensed engineer:
4 years, 10 months



TASKS

Since starting with AtkinsRealis I have worked on the highways transportation team. This includes design and plan preparation for all roadway design aspects of a given project. Starting as an Engineer I, I was responsible primarily for plan production, addressing redlines, quantity take-off, field assessment, and assisting with project quality control. I was required to follow CAD, city, and Client standards and details. Decisions made at this level included how to adequately display information, justifications for design decisions made, Identification of areas not up to standard and interpretation of client comments. Upon promotion to engineer II my responsibilities expanded to include geometric design of roadways, design of striping, coordination with other disciplines, coordination with utility owners, and interfacing with clients all under the direct supervision of project managers and my direct manager as well as the continuation of my previous duties. Decisions in this position include alignment layouts, benefit to impact analysis, design life requirement, identification of roadway fatigue causes, appropriate safety improvements, and roadway layouts.

With experience, my responsibilities have grown to leading a team for plan production, and performing additional design and deeper coordination as well as report writing, cost estimation, scheduling, plan review, and leading Quality control efforts. Additionally, I have worked on a safety management project, addition of access roads to water infrastructure, engineering approval of contractor equivalent products, and Americans with Disabilities specific design.



REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

SR 221 Carlin

Scope: Roadway rehabilitation, Design of sidewalk, curb and gutter, and drainage improvements

Date: 03/20/2020 - 6/23/2021

I created plans that conformed to NDOT standards. Additionally I calculated quantities for pavements, concrete, and aggregate base. I reviewed and calculated slopes for the pedestrian access ramps to meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) criteria.

Sky Vista Parkway Widening and rehabilitation Project

Scope: Reconstruction and widening of roadway from two to four lanes with a raised median. Grading, drainage, and signal improvements, as well as, multi-use path reconfiguration. Design of roundabout at beginning of project.

Date: 03/20/2020-03/08/2024

I designed the initial submittals of signing and striping including calculating the required lengths, offsets, turn bays and marking spacing in accordance with the MUTCD. I designed ADA ramps throughout the project calculating required slopes and tie ins. I reviewed the existing utilities and identified conflicts as well as proposing positioning for relocations. I designed the striping through the roundabout and performed swept path analysis using the Autoturn software. I calculated the removal and paving quantities for the entire project.

Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies Deployment project

Scope: Design of active traffic management, wrong way driver detection systems, strategic traffic management sites, and HOV detection with an integrated data platform and interface data analytics and associated infrastructure.

Date: February 2022 - Currently out for bid

I designed the installation of barrier rail around the bases of new ATM gantry signs as well as butterfly signs. This included calculating flare rates and lengths along the median and edges of US 95, as well as, creating pavement patch details, and calculating quantities. I also calculated the clear width and length of need for guardrail to protect equipment installed on the project. Additionally, I designed a graded pad and access route for utilities to perform adjustments to overhead powerlines within a sloped freeway infield. I ran the internal quality control sessions for the project at the 60%, 90%, and Final design stages.

Sparks Boulevard Improvement Project

Date: 04-29-2020 - Currently in final design.

Scope: Reconstruction and widening of the existing four lane roadway to six lanes. Installation of new curb, gutter, and sidewalk along both sides. Installation of Multi-use path. Multimodal, signal, and drainage improvements.

I performed geometric design of the roadway and sidewalks including pedestrian ramps, a multiuse path, commercial driveways, and access ingress and egress locations for maintenance vehicles. During this project I calculated quantities for pavement, grading, and removals. I also calculated length of need for barriers, intersection sight distances at all turns, turn bay lengths, Minimum radii for Multi-use paths, ADA slopes for ramps, clear zone requirements, and Right of way needs and impacts for the project. Additionally, It was my responsibility to obtain permits for access to NDOT right of way where applicable.

Winnemucca Americans with Disabilities Act Project

Scope: Pedestrian Access Route Improvements with minor drainage and lighting elements. To the 60% design level.

Date: 10/10/2022 - 11/11/2024

As the lead designer I reviewed as-builts and performed field survey of existing conditions then designed and modeled updates to the existing Pedestrian access routes within NDOT right of way across a variety of private and public access points to the 60% design level. I calculated acceptable tie in slopes for all ADA features and for positive drainage within the roadway gutters. I recommended design solutions to minimized impacts for access points that extended outside of right of way. I designed a multi-use path alignment considering an 18 MPH design speed.

Pyramid Highway operations improvement project

Date: 09/15/2023 - Currently in intermediate design

Scope: Design engineering services for widening and intersection improvements.

As the lead designer I have performed calculations, as-built and report investigations, and research necessary to widen the roadway in one direction including the addition of turn additional turn bays, acceleration and deceleration lanes, roadside drainage and grading, barrier length of need, clear zones, shoulder widths, median additions and turning analysis. I have written a preliminary design report and contributed to establishment of a schedule for delivery.

SHAYAN SHAHSAVARI (14-335-12)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

DISCIPLINE: CIVIL

GENERAL



Applying To
Nevada

Application Type
Initial - PE

Application Date
01/23/2025

Citizenship
United States

SUMMARY



Engineering Experience after EAC degree
6 years, 8 months

Total Engineering Experience
6 years, 8 months

Experience under licensed engineer
6 years, 8 months

Disciplinary Action
None reported



EDUCATION



Bachelors in General Studies
University of Nevada, Reno
August 2000–August 2010

Bachelors in Civil Engineering (EAC)
University of Nevada, Las Vegas
August 2010–May 2012

EXAMS



Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE)
Civil
Nevada
October 2013

Fundamentals of Engineering (FE)
Nevada
October 2007

LICENSES



Additional Licenses
None

SHAYAN SHAHSAVARI (14-335-12)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

WORK EXPERIENCE

Slater Hanifan Group
Nevada (United States)
Engineering intern
January 2012—January 2016

Verified by
Shayan Shahsavari (Self)

Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: (0%)
Experience under licensed engineer:
None



TASKS

I do not need to add this to my experience since I have the 4 years minimum per Nevada requirements.



REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

I do not need to add this to my experience since I have the 4 years minimum per Nevada requirements.

SHAYAN SHAHSAVARI (14-335-12)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

WORK EXPERIENCE

Collins Engineers
Nevada (United States)
Engineering intern
January 2016—January 2018

Verified by
Shayan Shahsavari (Self)

Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: (0%)
Experience under licensed engineer:
None



TASKS

I do not need to add this to my experience since I have the 4 years minimum per Nevada requirements.



REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

I do not need to add this to my experience since I have the 4 years minimum per Nevada requirements.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Horrocks Engineers
Nevada (United States)
Land development engineer
February 2018—October 2024

Verified by
Larry Bitton
larry.b@energyprojectsolutions.com

Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: 6 years, 8 months
Post EAC degree: 6 years, 8 months
Experience under licensed engineer:
6 years, 8 months



TASKS

I was the lead on several projects ranging from conceptual design through design and construction document production. I was responsible for both design and coordination, and routinely worked with developers, architects, and public agencies. I've worked on a variety of site plan and improvement projects for small- and large-scale commercial, residential, and industrial projects. I've built upon, and have immensely improved, my previous experience with drafting, grading, drainage, roadway utilities, and site design for diverse developments. Extensive use of AutoCAD and Civil 3D for design has been crucial to completing these projects.



REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

Ambridge PH 1-3 (2021-2024)

3 phased single-family improvements,

Grand Cadence Dr. and Serene Tempo Ave., City of Henderson

I was the lead designer on this project. I used civil 3D to develop the grading for drainage. I used pipe networks within civil 3D to design the storm drain, water, and sanitary sewer utility layouts. I reviewed plans for quality assurance prior to submittal. I analyzed client and entity comments and addressed these issues to update my designs. I coordinated with clients, developers, and all entities to complete this project in a timely manner and analyzed scope of work to ensure completion within budget.

This was a 3-phased, single family project, within the Cadence master community. The final design consisted of two different interim conditions for drainage, a temporary storm drain inlet, edge conditions to 4 separate developments, and the design of a linear park along one edge. All of which required extensive coordination with the client, multiple developers, different entities, and all adjacent property engineers.

Centennial Heights PH 1-2 (2019-2022)

2 phased multi-family improvements,

Tropical Pkwy. and Shaumber Rd., City of Las Vegas

I was the lead designer on this project. I used civil 3D to develop the grading for drainage. I used pipe networks within civil 3D to design the storm drain, water, and sanitary sewer utility layouts. I reviewed plans for quality assurance prior to submittal. I analyzed client and entity comments and addressed these issues to update my designs. I coordinated with clients, developers, and all entities to complete this project in a timely manner and analyzed scope of work to ensure completion within budget.

This was a 2-phased, multi-family project. The final design consisted of an interim condition for drainage, a temporary storm drain inlet, edge conditions to 3 separate developments, two interior parks, and the design of a linear park along one edge condition. This linear park included a drainage channel and existing large power poles that needed to be protected in place. All of which required extensive coordination with the client, multiple developers, different entities, and all adjacent property engineers.

LeBaron and Lindell Park, (2019-2023)

Neighborhood Park improvements,

Lindell Rd. and Le Baron Ave., Clark County

I was the lead designer on this project. I used civil 3D to develop the grading for drainage. I used pipe networks within civil 3D to design the storm drain, water, and sanitary sewer utility layouts. I reviewed plans for quality assurance prior to submittal. I analyzed client and entity comments and addressed these issues to update my designs. I coordinated with clients, developers, and all entities to complete this project in a timely manner and analyzed scope of work to ensure completion within budget.

This was a single-phase, public park. The final design consisted of multiple types of surfaces to satisfy ADA requirements, edge conditions to 4 separate developments, existing large power poles that needed to be protected in place, and the design of an 8-foot-deep headwall with access road for maintenance. All of which required extensive coordination with the client, multiple developers, different entities, and all adjacent property engineers.

SHAYAN SHAHSAVARI (14-335-12)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

WORK EXPERIENCE

WLB Group
Nevada (United States)
assistant PM
October 2024—January 2025

Verified by
Shayan Shahsavari (Self)

Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: (0%)
Experience under licensed engineer:
None



TASKS

I do not need to add this to my experience since I have the 4 years minimum per Nevada requirements.



REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

I do not need to add this to my experience since I have the 4 years minimum per Nevada requirements.

KEVIN STEWART (23-063-50)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

DISCIPLINE: CIVIL

GENERAL



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Nevada

Application Type
Initial - PE

Application Date
01/23/2025

Citizenship
United States

SUMMARY



Engineering Experience
after EAC degree

Total Engineering
Experience
2 years

Experience under licensed
engineer
2 years

Disciplinary Action
None reported



EDUCATION



Bachelors in Chemistry
University of North Texas
August 2015–December 2020

Bachelors in Ecology for Environmental Science
University of North Texas
August 2015–May 2019

Masters in Civil and Environmental Engineering
University of Nevada, Reno
January 2021–December 2022



EXAMS



Fundamentals of Engineering (FE)
Nevada
October 2022

Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE)
Civil
Nevada
June 2023

LICENSES



Additional Licenses
None

KEVIN STEWART (23-063-50)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

WORK EXPERIENCE

Keller Associates, Inc.
Nevada (United States)
Project Engineer
January 2023—January 2025

Verified by
Jeremy Layne Wilson
jwilson@kellerassociates.com

Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: 2 years
Experience under licensed engineer:
2 years

TASKS

I have worked as a civil and environmental project engineer for Keller Associates, Inc. since January 2023. My main tasks have included calculations for preliminary sizing of wastewater and drinking water treatment processes, hydraulic modeling, design of mechanical treatment systems for both drinking water and wastewater processes, preliminary site layouts, engineering cost estimates, writing equipment specifications, assistance in water quality permitting and NPDES permitting review and renewal, modeling of treated wastewater effluent dilution in surface water bodies using CORMIX 12.0, and production of technical memorandums for process optimization for both water and wastewater systems. During this time, I have worked under several licensed engineers.

My responsibilities at Keller Associates during my first year included data analysis and calculations for sizing treatment equipment for planning studies and facility pre-design. My duties have grown to include responsibility for full planning studies with guidance from a licensed engineer, and full responsibility for the treatment system portion for larger facilities planning studies. My roles have also expanded to include assisting in coordination between engineering disciplines (structural, HVAC/plumbing, site/civil, electrical/controls, and process/mechanical) for larger design projects including a greenfield treatment plant in Mill City, Oregon, and a drinking water treatment plant expansion in Amador County, CA. In these projects, I have also been fully responsible for the design of several structures, in addition to coordination between the process/mechanical group and other engineering disciplines. I have been fully responsible for the design of secondary wastewater aeration basins, chemical storage and dosing systems for caustic soda and methanol, tertiary denitrification filters, rapid infiltration basins, a drinking water adsorption clarifier and mixed media filter, a coagulant dosing system, and upgrades to an existing filter backwash system.

I have also worked on process optimization projects including data analysis and treatment recommendations for drinking water disinfection and wastewater digestion processes.

REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

Kuna Wastewater Facilities Planning Study
Evaluation of wastewater treatment facilities – Kuna, Idaho
01/2023-01/2024

I assisted in the development of a planning study for two wastewater treatment plants operated by the City of Kuna: a 2.9 MGD average daily flow (ADF) membrane bioreactor (MBR) plant, and a 0.6 MGD ADF lagoon treatment plant. My main duties included assessing the capacity needs for expansion of the influent screening, grit removal, MBR, utility water, UV disinfection, solids dewatering, lagoon aeration, lagoon storage, and effluent land application systems. I also performed preliminary sizing and cost estimates for proposed additional treatment alternatives including aerobic digestion, anaerobic digestion, rapid infiltration of treated effluent, and Class A reuse of treated effluent.

Mill City/Gates Joint Wastewater Facilities Planning Study
Evaluation of wastewater treatment processes for a greenfield treatment plant – Marion County, Oregon
01/2023-Present

I was responsible for production of population and flow projections as well as the evaluation of alternatives for each unit process for a greenfield WWTP with an average day design flow of 0.25 MGD. I conducted process sizing for secondary treatment options (oxidation ditch, sequencing batch reactor, conventional activated sludge, and MBR) as well as solids handling options and treated effluent disposal via rapid infiltration basins. I completed cost estimates for all alternatives. I also provide ongoing support and sampling guidance for discharge permitting of the new facility.

Amador County Disinfection Byproduct Study
Evaluation of disinfection byproduct (DBP) issues – Amador County, CA
01/2023-05/2024

I analyzed drinking water system data to identify the origin of DBP issues in 4 drinking water treatment plants and distribution systems ranging from less than 20,000 gallons per day to 2 MGD average day production. I compiled a standard operating

procedure for client jar testing and evaluated agency jar testing data to identify coagulant doses, contact time, and pre-chlorination doses for increased dissolved organics removal during the coagulation/flocculation processes. I also produced cost estimates and capital improvement plans based on treatment system needs to reduce DBP formation in the distribution system.

Stayton Mixing Zone Study

Evaluation of treated wastewater effluent dilution for NPDES permit renewal – Stayton, Oregon

07/2023-08/2024

I analyzed data to produce different ambient river and effluent flow mixing scenarios. I conducted field measurements for mixing zone characterization and environmental mapping. I modeled different effluent dilution scenarios using CORMIX 12.0 to update mixing zone dilution factors for client NPDES permit renewal.

Mill City Water Pollution Control Facility Design

Design of a greenfield wastewater treatment plant including secondary aeration basins, tertiary treatment, and chemical dosing systems – Mill City, Oregon

01/2024-Present

My responsibilities as the lead mechanical EI have included initial site layout, hydraulic profile calculations for the entire plant, assisting other EIs in design of headworks, influent pumping, UV disinfection, and solids handling systems, as well as coordination between other engineering disciplines for structural, electrical, and site/civil design. I am also fully responsible for design of several structures including SBR secondary treatment basins, tertiary denitrification filters, and chemical storage and dosing structures for both caustic soda and methanol.

Acid Phase Digester Process Analysis and Redundancy Evaluation

Process analysis and redundancy evaluation for a two-phase anaerobic digestion system – Reno, Nevada

06/2023-Present

I conducted data analysis to characterize a two-phase acid/gas anaerobic digestion system for a 30 MGD ADF WWTP. I also evaluated piping and redundancy to understand process impacts and feasibility of taking the single acid phase digester offline for maintenance and replacement of valves, piping, and dome appurtenances. I completed cost estimates and a construction phasing plan to take the acid phase digester offline.

lone, CA Reliable Capacity Expansion

Design of drinking water clarification, filtration, chemical dosing, and backwash pumping – lone, California

06/2024-Present

I am leading the mechanical design for the expansion of a surface water treatment plant from 3 MGD to 4 MGD design flow. I conducted calculations to produce the hydraulic profile and guide other EIs in the design of operations building expansions, clarifier improvements, backwash recycle pump station expansion, filtered water pump station, and clearwell improvements. I am also fully responsible for design of several structures includes a backwash supply pump station, adsorption clarifier and gravity filter treatment unit, air scour blower system, and a chemical dosing vault.

SUJATA SUBEDI (21-934-45)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

DISCIPLINE: CIVIL

GENERAL



Applying To
Nevada

Application Type
Initial - PE

Application Date
01/16/2025

Citizenship
Nepal

SUMMARY



Engineering Experience
after EAC degree

Total Engineering
Experience
3 years, 5 months

Experience under licensed
engineer
1 year, 6 months

Other Experience
8 months

Disciplinary Action
None reported



EDUCATION



Meets NCEES Engineering Education Standard

Bachelors in Civil Engineering
Tribhuvan University
October 2009–January 2014

Masters in Construction Management
Louisiana State University
January 2017–August 2019

Doctorate in Engineering Science
Louisiana State University
January 2017–May 2023



NOTE: NRS 625.183, item 4, part b, which states, “two of the four years of active experience must have been completed by working under the direct supervision of a professional engineer who is licensed in the discipline in which the applicant is applying for licensure, unless that requirement is waived by the Board.”

EXAMS



Fundamentals of Engineering (FE)
Louisiana
August 2021

Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE)
Civil
Nevada
October 2024

LICENSES



Additional Licenses
None

WORK EXPERIENCE

Westar Properties Ltd
Bāgmatī (Nepal)
Civil Engineer
August 2014—July 2016

Verified by
Anant Golyan
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Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: 1 year, 11 months
Experience under licensed engineer:
None



TASKS

As a Site Civil Engineer for a hospitality and apartment construction project in Kathmandu, Nepal, I supervised for concrete quality control, ensuring it met specifications through monitoring mixing, transportation, and pouring. I assisted with concrete mix designs to achieve the desired strength and durability. I verified the material quantities, including concrete, steel, and aggregates submitted by the contractor in their bill of quantities. I also prepared weekly and monthly progress reports, tracking project status and identifying potential issues. Additionally, I performed mechanical and physical tests on concrete, enhancing my expertise in site management and construction quality control.



REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

Project: The Residences at Hyatt Place, Soaltimodee, Kathmandu, Nepal

The Residences at Hyatt Place in Soaltimodee, Kathmandu, Nepal, is a mixed-use development comprising hospitality and residential spaces. As a Site Civil Engineer, my responsibilities required concrete quality control, material estimation, concrete mix design assistance, progress reporting, and conducting mechanical and physical tests on concrete.

Estimating Construction Materials Quantity

I verified the bill of quantities submitted by contractor. To accomplish, I conducted estimation the quantities of essential materials like concrete, steel, and aggregates. I reviewed project design documents and calculated the required materials for various construction phases.

Concrete Mix Design, Quality Control and Concrete Testing

I reviewed and recommended changes, if needed, for the concrete mix design submitted by the contractor, for various parts of the building, including foundations, columns, and slabs.

I supervised the quality control of concrete, ensuring that the materials used, i.e., cement, aggregates, and additives—met the required specifications. I conducted various tests on the concrete, including slump tests to assess workability, compressive strength tests to verify structural integrity. I recorded and analyzed the results to ensure that the concrete met the required standards for strength and durability.

Use of AutoCAD for Site Layout Changes

I used AutoCAD to reflect any changes made to the site layout during discussions. This tool helped illustrate the room and apartment layouts, providing the project manager with clear visuals and insights, which was essential for making informed decisions.

Progress Reporting

In addition, I prepared weekly and monthly progress reports. These reports tracked the status of construction activities, highlighted any issues or delays, and detailed upcoming tasks. They were shared with project managers, facilitating clear communication.

Overall, working on The Residences at Hyatt Place project significantly enhanced my technical skills in concrete quality control, material estimation, and project reporting. It provided me with valuable hands-on experience in managing large-scale construction operations, improving my ability to make informed decisions, and ensuring successful project outcomes.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Louisiana State University
Louisiana (United States)
Research Assistant
January 2017—April 2018

Verified by
Marwa M. Hassan
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Experience Summary
Part-Time
Other: 8 months (50%)
Experience under licensed surveyor:
None



TASKS

While pursuing my master's degree, I worked as a Research Assistant at the Bert S. Turner Department of Construction Management at LSU. I developed a comprehensive database that included pavement materials mixes used in Louisiana pavement projects with their environmental impact data and economic data. I developed the methodology to evaluate the environmental and economic performance of various pavement designs and integrated these methodologies into pavement design methodology to develop a decision-making tool, which assists engineers and decision-makers with a robust approach for selecting sustainable pavement options.



REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

Research Project: A Decision-making Tool for Incorporating Cradle-to-Gate Sustainability Measures into Pavement Design

Scope of the Project: Create a decision-making framework that integrates sustainability metrics—both environmental and economic—into pavement design, specifically evaluating the cradle-to-gate life cycle

Dates of Involvement- January 2017- April 2018

Funded by: Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development

I collected pavement mixes that were used in Louisiana along with their Environmental Product Declarations (EPDs), which provide standardized data on the environmental impacts of products. I also gathered vehicle classification data from the U.S. Life Cycle Inventory (USLCI) database. I developed the EPD and Transportation Modules, to evaluate the environmental value of the pavement design. Additionally, I collected data on construction and maintenance costs, then calculated the economic value of various pavement designs by analyzing material, labor, and construction costs. I prepared the database with all the environmental and economic data. I integrated the economic and environmental frameworks, into the pavement design tool, enabling engineers to assess and select sustainable pavement options based on both economic and environmental factors. The developed framework was integrated into the software tool by the software engineer, and I reviewed the tool's functionality and refine its interface to ensure it could evaluate pavement designs based on both environmental and economic factors (i.e., considering EPDs, Transportation module and cost metric).

SUJATA SUBEDI (21-934-45)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

WORK EXPERIENCE

Louisiana State University
Louisiana (United States)
Teaching Assistant
May 2018—July 2020

Verified by

Experience Summary
Part-Time
Other: (0%)
Experience under licensed surveyor:
None



DESCRIPTION

SUJATA SUBEDI (21-934-45)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

WORK EXPERIENCE

Louisiana State University
Louisiana (United States)
Instructor of Record
August 2020—May 2022

Verified by

Experience Summary
Part-Time
Other: (0%)
Experience under licensed surveyor:
None



DESCRIPTION

SUJATA SUBEDI (21-934-45)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

WORK EXPERIENCE

Louisiana State University
Louisiana (United States)
Teaching Assistant
June 2022—May 2023

Verified by

Experience Summary
Part-Time
Other: (0%)
Experience under licensed surveyor:
None



DESCRIPTION

WORK EXPERIENCE

Nevada Department of Transportation
Nevada (United States)
Roadbed Designer/ Pavement
Designer
June 2023—December 2024

Verified by
Katherine Margaret Mellon
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Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: 1 year, 6 months
Experience under licensed engineer:
1 year, 6 months



TASKS

As a Roadbed/ pavement designer, I design the flexible and rigid pavements of Nevada owned/ maintained roadways, by using AASHTO standard methodologies. For new construction I calculate the future traffic loads, analyze the historical soil and material properties, and determine the appropriate thickness for each layer (sub-base-if any, base, and subbase). For rehabilitation project, in addition to the above duties, I develop the pavement construction history, I analyze the existing pavement through field review and testing and using pavement management performance data to design an optimal pavement rehabilitation method. I also develop theoretical information memo for each project, that provides specifications and I recommend design adjustments, address technical concerns from the roadway design team and construction crew during design review and construction phase. Lastly, I review right-of-way occupancy permits issued by the Nevada DOT to publicly owned facilities and provide engineering recommendations.



REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

1. US 395 North Valleys Phase 2 Project, Reno, Nevada
Scope: US 395 Widening and Rehabilitation, including the Design of Flexible and Rigid Pavements
Location: Reno, Nevada
Structure Type: Flexible and Rigid Pavement
Dates of Involvement: July 2023 – December 2024

For the North Valleys Phase 2 project, I designed the pavement structure for the widening of US 395 and provided structural recommendations for rehabilitation on sections that did not require widening. I calculated the traffic loads and assessed soil conditions within the project limits. After conducting field reviews of the existing pavement conditions, I identified areas that required rehabilitation due to fatigue cracking, chain wear, and transverse cracking. Using AASHTO 93, I designed flexible pavement and rigid pavement, accounting for 20-year and 35-year design ESALs, respectively. I recommended the appropriate materials based on the condition of the existing pavement and ensured that the designs met all technical specifications. I also prepared and submitted relevant Special Provision language, attended design review meetings, and issued design review memos.

2. Neon Phase 2, Las Vegas, Nevada
Scope: I-15 Northbound Widening, CD Road and Ramps Widening, Reconstruction of cross-Street Roads (Sahara, Rancho, Oakey, Highland Avenue)
Location: Las Vegas, Nevada
Structure Type: Flexible and Rigid Pavement
Dates of Involvement: July 2024 – October 2024

For Project Neon Phase 2, I designed the pavement structure for the I-15 northbound widening, CD road and ramp widening, and reconstruction of cross-street. I analyzed traffic, geotechnical, and environmental data to determine the most appropriate materials and pavement structures for different sections of the project. I used the AASHTO design procedure to calculate the required pavement thickness for these sections. I recommended using concrete for the I-15 mainline and asphalt for the CD road, ramps, and cross-streets.

3. Pavement Improvement Projects (PIPs) – Various Locations across Nevada- I worked on multiple PIP projects that were of the same nature, i.e., focused on evaluating and rehabilitating existing pavements, so they are included under this section.

Scope: Rehabilitation of existing pavements

Location: Various locations across Nevada, including I-80 in Fernley, US 6 in Tonopah, US 93 in Alamo, US 50 in Middlegate, US 93 in Alamo, US 93 in Lages Junction, US 93 in Elko, US 95 in Las Vegas, US 95 in Winnemucca, US 95 North of Winnemucca, US 395 North Valleys, SR573 (Craig Road) in Las Vegas, SR595 (Rainbow Boulevard) in Las Vegas, and SR596 (Jones Boulevard) in Las Vegas.

Structure Type: Flexible Pavement

Dates of Involvement: June 2023 – December 2024

For these PIPs projects, I evaluated the existing pavement condition by field visit, field tests (visual inspection, taking cores, conducting dynamic core penetration test). I reviewed the construction history and analyzed the pavement management data. I identified the areas and causes of distress, and the extent and rate of deterioration. Using AASHTO methodologies, I calculated the required structural number for the pavement and developed several alternate repair strategies. I recommended the optimum strategies by considering the type, quality, and availability of the construction materials. I recommended different strategies in above mentioned projects, which included mill-and-fill, deeper patching for areas of severe distress, and full roadbed modification where the structural integrity was compromised. I also developed theoretical information memo for each of the project above, that provides specifications and theoretical application rates of materials. In addition, I reviewed plan, specification and estimate for all the above projects, attended design review meetings, and submitted design review memo that addresses design adjustments, and technical concerns.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



TIME GAPS

Start Date	End Date	Explanation
February 2014	July 2014	During this phase, I was searching for jobs after my graduation from Tribhuvan University, Nepal. I was also taking GRE classes in Nepal to apply for the graduate studies in the USA.

GENERAL		SUMMARY	
	<i>Applying To</i> Nevada <i>Application Type</i> Initial - PE <i>Application Date</i> 01/23/2025 <i>Citizenship</i> Malaysia		<i>Engineering Experience after EAC degree</i> <i>Total Engineering Experience</i> 11 years, 4 months <i>Experience under licensed engineer</i> 5 years, 5 months <i>Disciplinary Action</i> None reported
			
EDUCATION			
	<i>Bachelors in Mechanical Engineering</i> Monash University February 2008–March 2012 <i>Masters in Business Administration</i> Lamar University August 2021–December 2022		
EXAMS		LICENSES	
	<i>Fundamentals of Engineering (FE)</i> Louisiana December 2020 <i>Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE)</i> Civil Nevada December 2024		<i>Additional Licenses</i> None

WORK EXPERIENCE

CGG Services (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd.
Kuala Lumpur (Malaysia)
Senior Imaging Geophysicist
March 2012—February 2018

Verified by
Muhib Kabul Syah
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Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: 5 years, 11 months
Experience under licensed engineer:
None

TASKS

85% - GEOPHYSICS, 15% - ENGINEERING

- Project leader for several 2D and 3D small scale marine projects.
- Planned workflow for processing according to standards and editing according to each project needs.
- Processed and ensured quality control of 2D and 3D marine data.
- High density velocity update for post migration RMO.
- Documented testing plans and achieved results with supporting data examples which provided a resource library for future projects.
- Specialized in designature process for Broadband projects purposed to reduction of ringing effect.
- Maintained Processing for QI: True Amplitude processing for offshore surveys, Near-Far alignment statics and noise removing techniques depending on the geology and surface features.
- Managed project workflows that fits different areas with primary focus on statics and noise removal techniques depending on geology and surface features.
- Performed extensive testing to evaluate new algorithms from developers to ensure functionality was meeting customer expectations before releasing to production.
- Identified opportunities for improvement and proposed modifications/improvements for adaptation that resulted in higher effectiveness for later versions.
- Conducted extensive parameter testing on Pre-migration data conditioning such as denoise, SRME and deconvolution.
- Build and conducted quality control on velocity model.
- Managed and translated various projection systems.
- Prepared, edited and quality assured seismic, navigation and well data.
- Presented test parameters and results for processing algorithms and recommend best parameters to clients.
- Prepared detail technical reports at end of each projects.
- Utilized 'Tornado' software for survey mapping and converting survey orientation.
- Attended 3 months intensive Geophysical Processing Induction (GeoPI) program covering Introduction to Geology and Seismic Processing.

REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

Block H 3D Pre-Stack Time Migration (PreSTM) Processing Project (Sabah, Malaysia):
(2012)

- Performed quality control of field acquired raw seismic, wells, and navigation data.
- Analyzed and identified problems such as anomalies (spikes), interference (e.g underwater earthquake, nearby fishing activity, barnacles knocking on steamer, bad weather) and marking them for additional process or discarding the traces.
- Executed production jobs (algorithm) and extracted representative sample for quality control on every processing step of the production.

SK318 3D Fast-track project for Shell Malaysia Project (Sarawak, Malaysia):
(2013)

- Designed wavelet for the deghosting process, ensuring precise designature corrections to minimize artifacts caused by ringing.
- Performed vigorous testing of noise attenuation algorithms and anti-aliasing filters in the frequency-spatial domain, significantly improving image clarity.
- Managed data processing production for major process stage such as Surface-Related Multiple Elimination (SRME) and Kirchhoff time migration.
- Responsible for final SEG-Y data deliverables quality control.

Andaman Sea- Area 1 3D Anisotropic PreSTM Project :
(2013 - 2014)

- Analyzed and performed anti-aliasing filter testing on data.

- Contributed to the innovation of a modified anti-aliasing migration algorithm that incorporates a localized lowpass filtering and triangle filter.
- Improved efficiency by managing resource for computationally intensive algorithm such as the anti-aliasing migration process.
- Responsible to test and present the test results for linear noise attenuation and SRME to the clients.
- Presented major seismic processing steps to clients.

Terumbu Luconia 3D Pre-Stack Time Migration (PSTM) Project (Sarawak, Malaysia):
(2015 - 2016)

- Tested and applied developing algorithms such as the adaptive curvelet subtraction in SRME to effectively remove multiples while preserving essential subsurface details.
- Enhanced velocity resolution prior to Kirchhoff time migration by implementing automatic high-density velocity modeling.
- Refined post-migration processes with residual moveout velocity updates, ensuring precise correction of subtle velocity anomalies and improved seismic resolution. As a result, enabled the detail mapping of thin carbonate wings extending kilometers from buildups, revealing untapped gas potential.

PC4 3D APSTM & Anisotropic Pre-Stack Depth Migration (APSDM) Reprocessing (Sarawak, Malaysia):
(2017 – 2018)

- Conducted additional testing for Quality Improvement (QI) on AVO gathers, applying a pre-conditioning workflow to eliminate negative-dip noise observed in CDP gathers, ensuring optimal APSDM production.
- Updated high-density velocity models for post-Q migration, improving Remote Moveout (RMO) corrections in the Q-migration process.
- Attenuated remnant multiples at higher frequencies, resulting in clearer and more visible data, particularly in the near-offset regions of shallow areas.
- Oversaw and performed quality control of QI processing, focusing on true amplitude processing, near-far alignment statics, and noise removal workflows.
- Presented key seismic processing steps and results to clients, ensuring clear communication of progress and outcomes.

ZHI WEI TAN (20-186-51)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

WORK EXPERIENCE

ABLE ENTERPRISE
Selangor (Malaysia)
Technical Sales Engineer
March 2018—October 2018

Verified by
Zhi Wei Tan (Self)

Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: (0%)
Experience under licensed engineer:
None



TASKS

- Diagnosed and solved technical issues.
- Coordinated and conducted refurbishment and repairs.
- Drove business development and acquired new customers.
- Established web presence using Google business and analytics.



REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

Repair and solve technical issues from kitchen equipments

WORK EXPERIENCE

FUGRO USA LAND Inc.
Louisiana (United States)
Junior Geotechnical Engineer
June 2019—September 2021

Verified by
Eric Robert Marx
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Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: 2 years, 3 months
Experience under licensed engineer:
2 years, 3 months

TASKS

75% - ENGINEERING; 25% TECHNICIAN

- Gained experienced in geotechnical site investigation methods such as SPT, CPT, soil and rock logging etc.
- Assisted and actively involved in numerous utility projects for rock and soil logging and lab tests.
- Performed classification of soil and rocks from soil boring and rock coring according to USGS.
- Conducted geotechnical lab test for soils e.g. Atterberg limits test, hydrometer analysis and strength tests according to ASTM standards.
- Coordinated with contractors and site supervisors on concrete pour and sampling plans.
- Performed on-site concrete sampling in accordance to ACI standards.
- Performed strength test on concrete cylinders.
- Attended Pile Driving Analysis (PDA) training for QC and QA of deep foundations.
- Assist deep foundation technicians with PDA and dynamic load testing for driven piles.
- ACI Concrete Field Testing Technician – Grade 1 certified.

REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

Phase II Brazos Wind Farm Project, Fluvanna, Texas:

- Supported the geology team with rock logging and logistics planning for the 38 boreholes. • Performed rock types classification and and logged Rock Quality Designation (RQD) values with accuracy.
- Located nearest water source for the drilling crew to carry out wet coring.

Golden Meadow to Barataria 115kV Entergy Powerline Rebuild Project, Gulf Coast, Louisiana:

- Logged and collected soil samples from 18 boreholes.
- Lead the drilling crew through waterways while ensuring minimal disturbance to wildlife and property lines.
- Performed Atterberg limit and hydrometer test on the collected soil samples.

Interstate I-10 Calcasieu River Bridge Project, Lake Charles, Louisiana:

- Supported the soil logging activity by collecting and categorizing the subsurface soil materials.
- Coordinated with the traffic control contractor in maintaining the safety of the drilling crew and himself while minimizing traffic disruption along the interstate.

Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA) Arbuckle Reservoir Project, Texas:

- Lead the drilling crew to execute three vertical boreholes along the embankment for soil classification and inclinometer installation.
- Collected and classified the soil retrieved from the boreholes and provided critical soil properties in determining the materials for the cutoff wall.
- Oversee the installation of inclinometers within the boreholes, used for monitoring the lateral earth movement along the embankment.

Venture Global (VG) Calcasieu Pass Liquified Natural Gas (LNG) Project, Louisiana:

- Assigned as the inspector and materials quality control specialist for drilled pile installation for a total of 3,212 DeWaal piles. Each pile have a minimum depth of 200 feet.
- Served as a key on-site inspector overseeing the installation of DeWaal piles over an eight months period.
- Ensured contractor adherence to engineering specifications and report any instance of non-compliance.
- Monitored key aspects of the installation, such as the rebar cage fit and finish, the concrete admixture ratio and volume, and the minimum depth and plumbness of each pile.
- Helped contractors correct issues early and reduce the occurrence of costly mistakes.

WORK EXPERIENCE

RIZZO International Inc.
Pennsylvania (United States)
Project Engineering Associate
November 2021 – January 2025

Verified by
Michael Edwards
mike.edwards@rizzointl.com

Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: 3 years, 2 months
Experience under licensed engineer:
3 years, 2 months

TASKS

95% - ENGINEERING; 5% - ADMIN

- Perform cantilever retaining wall stability analysis.
- Global slope stability analysis using slope/w.
- Conduct analysis using UCS lab test results to categorize rock types and define lower and upper bound properties.
- Developed spreadsheets for Rock Mass Rating (RMR) and Geological Strength Index (GSI) using Bieniawski's rock classification system coupled with logic tree method.
- Perform bearing capacity, settlement, and subgrade modulus calculation verification using MATLAB and MS EXCEL.
- Validate bearing capacity and settlement calculations using PLAXIS 3D FEA software.
- Performed road cross section design for paved and unpaved road according to AASHTO specifications.
- Prepares geotechnical calculation documents.
- Manage software control program for nuclear projects in accordance to national and international nuclear regulatory such as ASME NQA-1 and IAEA.
- Developed a Customer Relationship Management (CRM) platform based on MS Access and PowerBI.

REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

Carbon Free Power Project (CFPP):

- Conducted analysis of boring data from rock cores, cataloging them based on the Rock Mass Rating (RMR) system, systematically entering this information into Excel and derived the Geological Strength Index (GSI) for the rocks.
- Performed rock rippability assessments utilizing geophysical data obtained from subsurface seismic survey. Interpreted P-wave velocities and identified onsite rock types. Utilized the CAT rippability chart to determine the rock's resistance to ripping for excavation planning and equipment selection.
- Provided construction team with crucial insights into the feasibility and cost-effectiveness of various excavation methods for the power plant.
- Performed peer review for the bearing capacity and settlement of the turbine building for CFPP by creating spreadsheet to cross-check results between hand calculations and numerical models. Employed both traditional methods pioneered by Terzaghi and Meyerhof, alongside Finite Element Analysis (FEA) software tools such as MIDAS GTS-NX and PLAXIS.

Custom and Border Protection (CBP) Tucson Large MOD3 Project, Nogales segment:

- Responsible for identifying and analyzing any unstable slopes along the segment, perform slope stability analysis and provide recommendation for slope reinforcement.
- Reviewed the site reconnaissance report and identified all potential slope failures affecting both the border wall and adjacent patrol roads.
- Modelled slopes using SlopeW software and assigned soil material properties based on boring log and lab test data.
- Provided necessary slope reinforcements recommendation in critical areas to ensure long-term stability and safety.

Texas Facilities Commission (TFC) Stone Ranch and Clemmaco Projects:

- Conducted global stability analysis for an 18-foot tall retaining wall in the Stone Ranch segment, as well as the stability of wingwalls for the arroyo bridge in the Clemmaco segment.
- Used SlopeW for slope stability modelling and developed a comprehensive document package in Mathcad that performs the global stability checks for cantilever retaining walls of any size based on traditional Allowable Stress Design (ASD) methods.
- Optimized the retaining wall dimension the resulting in cost savings while maintaining safety standards.

CBP Tucson Large TCA 3, 9, 10-28 Infrastructure Completion Design Build Project:

- Worked closely with the client, Barnard Construction in preparing the civil design and details for the border wall electrical components.

CBP SDC-15, ELC-1, ELC-2 Infrastructure Completion Design Build Project:

- Reviewed and make modifications to CAD drawings with Civil3D software.
- Optimized the concrete pavement length of patrol roads and Low Water Crossings (LWC) by correlating the hydraulics and

hydrology analysis and making adjustments on the CAD drawings.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

TIME GAPS

Start Date	End Date	Explanation
December 2006	January 2008	Attended Pre University A-levels at First City University College (formerly known as KBU, MALAYSIA)
November 2018	May 2019	- Undergone hernia surgery - Recovery from surgery - Relocate to UNITED STATES from MALAYSIA with family due to wife's assignment with employer. - Job hunting

Mechanical

DANIEL BERGER (19-910-89)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

DISCIPLINE: MECHANICAL

GENERAL



Applying To
Nevada

Application Type
Initial - PE

Application Date
09/13/2022

Citizenship
United States

SUMMARY



Engineering Experience after EAC degree
14 years, 2 months

Total Engineering Experience
19 years, 1 month

Experience under licensed engineer
11 years, 4 months

Disciplinary Action
None reported



EDUCATION



Bachelors in Mechanical Engineering (EAC)
University of Nevada, Reno
August 2005–December 2010

EXAMS



Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE)
Mechanical Nevada
August 2022

Fundamentals of Engineering (FE)
Nevada
January 2025



LICENSES



Additional Licenses
None

WORK EXPERIENCE

CR Engineering
Nevada (United States)
Mechanical HVAC Designer
January 2006—May 2015

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Chun Wing Lee
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Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: 9 years, 4 months
Post EAC degree: 4 years, 5 months
Experience under licensed engineer:
1 year, 7 months



TASKS

- 1) Responsible for managing my own projects
- 2) Collaborated with a variety of disciplines to complete jobs
- 3) Running load simulations for buildings to determine the appropriate equipment
- 4) Selecting/Scheduling Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) equipment
- 5) Completed a Revit 2012 intermediate training class
- 6) Responsible for reviewing other designers work for accuracy



REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

Kate Smith Elementary School (2006-2007)

- 1) Selected equipment as follows: Boilers, System Pumps, Boiler Injection Pumps, Fan Coils, Air/Dirt Separator, Expansion Tank, Chemical Feed Tank
- 2) Design responsibilities as follows: Pump head calculation, Building load calculation, Outside air calculation, Combustion air calculation, Hydronic supply/return pipe sizing, Ductwork design
- 3) Close coordination with external disciplines like electrical, structural, and architectural.

Lyon County School District Gym HVAC Remodel (2007-2009)

- 1) Assisted in the mechanical design of four school gym remodel
- 2) Design responsibilities as follows: Building load calculation, Outside air calculation, Ductwork design, Mechanical piping design

Squeeze Inn TI (2009-2010)

- 1) Restaurant and Kitchen Mechanical Design
- 2) Selected equipment as follows: Kitchen Exhaust Fan, General Exhaust Fan, Rooftop Unit, Make-up Air Unit, Kitchen Hood
- 2) Design responsibilities as follows: Building load calculation, Outside air calculation, Kitchen airflow matrix, Ductwork design

Dr. Reken TI (2010-2011)

- 1) Project Type: Permanent Hair Removal Laser Clinic Mechanical and Plumbing Design
- 2) Selected equipment as follows: Rooftop Unit, Water Heater, Exhaust Fans
- 3) Design responsibilities as follows: Building load calculation, Outside air calculation, Water calculation, Ductwork design

Round Mountain Public Safety Building (2011-2012)

- 1) Project Type: Public Safety and Fire Station Mechanical and Plumbing Design
- 2) Selected equipment as follows: Furnaces, Evaporator Coil, Condensing Unit, Unit Heater, Water Heater
- 3) Design responsibilities as follows: Natural ventilation calculation, Combustion air calculation, Building load calculation, Outside air calculation, Pipe sizing including liquid propane gas, Ductwork design.

Yerington Wells Fargo Bank (2012-2013)

- 1) Project Type: Bank Mechanical Design
- 2) Selected equipment as follows: Furnace, Evaporator Coil, and Condensing Unit
- 3) Design responsibilities as follows: Building load calculation, Outside air calculation, Gas pipe sizing, Ductwork design

BVA TI (2013-2014)

- 1) Project Type: Warehouse Office Mechanical and Plumbing Design
- 2) Selected equipment as follows: Furnaces, Evaporator Coil, Condensing Unit, Unit Heater, Water Heater
- 3) Design responsibilities as follows: Building load calculation, Outside air calculation, Ductwork Design

Alamo Office Building (2014-2015)

1) Project Type: Office Building Mechanical Design

2) Selected equipment as follows: Fan Coil, Heat Pump

3) Design responsibilities as follows: Building load calculation, Outside air calculation, Ductwork design

DANIEL BERGER (19-910-89)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

WORK EXPERIENCE

MMI Engineering
Nevada (United States)
Mechanical HVAC Designer
May 2015—November 2018

Verified by
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Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: 3 years, 6 months
Post EAC degree: 3 years, 6 months
Experience under licensed engineer:
3 years, 6 months



TASKS

Reviewing initial scope of work and assist in establishing the direction of the design, review drawings and specifications for accuracy from schematic design through to the construction documents, provide close coordination with multi-discipline teams, responsible for designing and drafting using AutoCAD and/or BIM software, general design of HVAC and plumbing systems, responsible for managing my own projects, collaborate with a variety of disciplines to complete jobs, run load simulations calculations for buildings to determine the appropriate building loads and equipment selections, run calculations to determine capacity and sizing requirements for domestic plumbing systems, provide schedules, specifications and construction details for the HVAC and plumbing designs, responsible for reviewing other designers work for accuracy and initial quality control checks.



REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

Hillside Apartments (2015-2016)

I designed the HVAC and plumbing systems for a multifamily apartment complex. I personally performed the building load calculation and used that information to select a Gas fired package rooftop unit for the office area and fan coil and condensing unit split systems for the apartment. After my selection of the HVAC unit, I designed the ductwork and associated air terminals. I then performed the exhaust air calculation to determine the minimum amount required to size the exhaust fans. I tallied up the water supply fixture units (WSFU) to determine the correct domestic water pipe size to the building and all branch piping. I then used the manufacturer's software to size the appropriate water heaters to serve each unit and the office fixtures. My duties included a supervisory role for younger staff to train them in multifamily design aspects.

Common Sense Botanicals (2016-2017)

I designed the HVAC and plumbing systems for a retail store and commercial greenhouse. I personally performed the building load calculations, hydronic boiler plant system selections with radiant flooring with the greenhouse, CSI specifications, code interpretation, multidiscipline coordination, and Building Information Modeling (BIM) coordination with other disciplines. I analyzed the feasibility of a ground source heat pump to give direction to the client. I then used the ASHRAE water heater sizing calculation method to size a heater exchange with a domestic hot water storage tank to meet the facilities domestic hot water requirements. I also calculated the hot water return pump size and then used that flow to determine the hot water return pipe sizes to all branches of the building with circuit setters to balance the flow. My duties included a supervisory role for younger staff to train them in boiler, pumping, and radiant flooring designs.

Pershing County General Hospital HVAC Upgrades (2017-2018)

I designed the HVAC and fire protection systems for a hospital. I personally designed the system wide rework of the low-pressure low-temperature steam piping and condensate return piping system, selection of steam traps with integral malfunction alarm systems tied into the building management system, construction cost estimate calculation, and a building load calculation. I then used that information to select the new steam convectors and steam fan coils. I also developed a fire riser piping diagram compliant with the appropriate NFPA codes. My duties included a supervisory role for younger staff to train them in fire protection and steam systems.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Kimley Horn and Associates
Nevada (United States)
Mechanical Engineering Professional
November 2018—February 2025

Verified by
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Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: 6 years, 3 months
Post EAC degree: 6 years, 3 months
Experience under licensed engineer: 6 years, 3 months



TASKS

With 16 years of mechanical system consulting experience specializing in HVAC, plumbing, and fire protection performance designs on a variety of projects including industrial, educational, commercial, governmental, health care, multi-family, and institutional sites. With an extensive knowledge of boiler/chiller hydronic systems and their associated air side systems, I am responsible for the design of energy efficient systems to fit any building's needs. I regularly perform mechanical system scope analysis and recommendation as well as feasibility studies/building assessments. I efficiently produce permittable, biddable, and constructible designs, including all calculations, while regularly coordinating with multidisciplinary teams, including owners, architects, contractors, and vendors. I am proficient at preparing equipment selections, book specifications, and cost estimates; and regularly perform submittal review and construction administration on design projects. For everything from a new building design to an emergency retrofit of an existing building, I have the experience and skillset necessary to guide projects from conceptual schematic through successful completion and closeout.



REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

Rec. Campus (2018-2019)

I personally performed the building load calculation and outside air calculation and used that information to select the heat pump package rooftop units and mini-splits systems for the IT rooms. After my selection of the rooftop units with airflows dictated by the load calculation, I then designed the ductwork and associated air terminals. I then performed the exhaust air calculation to determine the minimum amount required to size the exhaust fans. I tallied up the water supply fixture units (WSFU) to determine the correct domestic water pipe size to the building and all branch piping. I then used the manufacturer's software to size the appropriate water heaters to serve a locker room with showers and various office type plumbing fixtures. I also calculated the hot water return pump size and then used that flow to determine the hot water return pipe sizes to all branches of the building with circuit setters to balance the flow. My duties included a supervisory role for younger staff to train them in designing a recreation center and a pool equipment room with special class 1 division 2 design aspects.

NV Museum Boiler (2019-2020)

I analyzed all the equipment in the boiler room to calculate the appropriate heat gain to the space. I then used that information to calculate the required exhaust fan flow (CFM) based ambient outside temperatures. I reviewed the entire heating hot water system to confirm my condensing boiler selections backchecked by the load calculation I performed. I also reviewed the entire heating hot water system piping to run a hydronic pump head and flow calculation to confirm the existing boiler being replaced as part of this project were adequately sized. I developed a custom flue design to route up an existing chase. I calculated the required amount of combustion air, water fill pressure setting for the pressure reducing valve (PRV), air changes per hour, and the construction cost estimate for the client. My duties included a supervisory role for younger staff to train them in boiler room and pumping designs.

NDOT Tonopah Boiler (2020-2021)

I personally performed the building load calculation and used that information to select new condensing boilers and unit heaters to replace the existing steam boiler system. As part of this project, I had to design an all-new heating hot water supply and return system and size the appropriate inline pumps with variable frequency drives (VFD). I analyzed all the equipment in the boiler room to calculate the appropriate heat gain to the space. I then used that information to calculate the required exhaust fan flow (CFM) based ambient outside temperatures. The client required the installation of new propane tanks. I sized the tanks based on the client's request for longer fill intervals and new boiler plant fuel consumption rates. I also performed a combustion air calculation to size the required wall louvers and a water volume calculation to size the thermal expansion tank. My duties included a supervisory role for younger staff to train them in boiler, pumping, and control integration to state systems.

Bank Designs (2021-2022)

I personally performed the building load calculation and outside air calculation and used that information to select the gas fired package rooftop units and mini-splits systems for the IT room, lobby, and, safe. After my selection of the rooftop units with airflows dictated by the load calculation, I then designed the ductwork and associated air terminals in accordance with the client's design guidelines. I laid out the gas piping and used the International Plumbing Code (IPC) to size the piping based on the connected loads. I then used the manufacturer's software to size the appropriate water heater to serve a variety of office plumbing fixtures. I had to analyze the complete HVAC and Plumbing system to fill out the appropriate LEED compliance basis of design forms. My duties included a supervisory role for younger staff to train them in working on national client projects with strict design guidelines.

Hydrogen Bay Retrofits (2022-2024)

I personally worked with owners to identify code compliant hydrogen retrofits to existing diesel bus bay HVAC infrastructure and then implemented that design.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



TIME GAPS

Start Date	End Date	Explanation
June 2004	July 2005	I was living with my parent and attending a community college before I transferred up to the University of Nevada Reno.

OSCAR PEREIRA AVILEZ (17-447-44)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

DISCIPLINE: MECHANICAL

GENERAL



Applying To
Nevada

Application Type
Initial - PE

Application Date
01/26/2025

Citizenship
United States

SUMMARY



Engineering Experience after EAC degree
7 years, 1 month

Total Engineering Experience
8 years

Experience under licensed engineer
8 years

Disciplinary Action
None reported



EDUCATION



Bachelors in Mechanical Engineering (EAC)
University of Nevada, Las Vegas
August 2013–December 2017

Masters in Mechanical Engineering
University of Nevada, Las Vegas
August 2019–May 2022

EXAMS



Fundamentals of Engineering (FE)
Nevada
July 2017

Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE)
Mechanical
Nevada
January 2025

LICENSES



Additional Licenses
None

OSCAR PEREIRA AVILEZ (17-447-44)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

WORK EXPERIENCE

Mission Support and Test Services
Nevada (United States)
Senior Engineer
January 2017—January 2025

Verified by
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Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: 8 years
Post EAC degree: 7 years, 1 month
Experience under licensed engineer:
8 years

TASKS

Mission Support and Test Services (MSTS) – Engineer I (Jan 2017 – May 2019)

The tasks involved during this period are shadowing & assisting senior engineers with various assignments and duties. These included design research, national codes and standards investigation and interpretation, development and preparation of project documentation such as Request for Information (RFIs), Engineering Change Notices (ECNs) and Facility Change Requests (FCRs). Duties involved assisting the engineering team of various disciplines with walkdowns, meeting notes records, as-built drawing revisions, and other similar documentation.

Mission Support and Test Services (MSTS) – Engineer II (May 2019 – Aug 2022)

In addition to some of the Engineer I tasks, this period introduces more official duties such as development of mechanical calculations, new mechanical design drawings, system specifications and technical reports. These responsibilities involve complex, multi-disciplinary projects in which mechanical design assumes the majority of the work and other disciplines provide more supportive roles. These larger, more rigorous projects require continuous collaboration and coordination with other disciplines to ensure that the final design package satisfies the appropriate design criteria and functional/operational requirements.

Mission Support and Test Services (MSTS) – Senior Engineer (Aug 2022 - Current)

The senior engineering role includes all the Engineer II duties as well as more technical and mentoring functions. Some of these roles include the research, testing and incorporation of new engineering software and technologies into the department design procedures, such as 3D modelling/design (Revit/Solidworks), 3D scanning (Faro Scene & Faro 3D scanners), HVAC analyses (Trace 3D Plus) and 3D geometry rendering and computing (Rhino 7/Cyclone 3DR/MathCAD). Additional duties include new software training, desktop instructions development and other Building Information Modeling (BIM) responsibilities. This role also includes being a mentor to junior mechanical engineers by assisting them in understanding code/design requirements, providing technical input/feedback and giving guidance/training when necessary.

REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

Fire Alarm System Upgrade

January 2017 – June 2017

I provided facility walkdown notes and as-built documentation while supporting the Fire Protection Engineer assigned to a project located in the Nevada National Security Site (NNSS). I assisted in National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) code interpretation as well as the preparation of associated Occupancy Load, Battery and Voltage Drop calculations.

As-built Drawing Revisions

June 2017- January 2018

I assisted in walkdowns and inspections of newly upgraded mechanical systems in multiple facilities located at the NNSS. The upgraded systems involved new mechanical instrumentation for High-Efficiency Particulate Air (HEPA) Filtered Heating, Ventilation, and Air-Conditioning (HVAC) systems, as well as new piping and instrumentation for a compressed air system. I reviewed and updated associated calculations, technical specifications and Piping & Instrumentation Diagrams (P&ID).

Field Engineering Support

January 2018 – September 2018

I assisted the Field engineering team while they were short staffed with a below-surface, excavation and shock physics experimentation project located at the NNSS. I served as the Field Engineer of the project to provide assistance and guidance during daily operations, and design/drawing discussions. Some of my responsibilities were being a liaison between MSTS and Sandia/Los Alamos National Laboratory personnel, the tracking of tremie piping requirements, batch plant cement/concrete design preparation as well the calculation of necessary sand, soil and other back fill aggregates.

Water Boiler System Replacement September 2018 – December 2018

I provided a mechanical design to accommodate the upgrade of a new hydronic water heating system that replaced an obsolete, inefficient water boiler at the NNSS. The new hydronic system required new boilers, water filtering/softening equipment, and new automatically controlled, variable speed, centrifugal pumps. I prepared water flow and pressure drop calculations, systems specifications, equipment sizing/selection, and developed new P&ID and associated mechanical demolition and new construction drawings.

High Energy/High Temperature Exhaust System Evaluations December 2018 – March 2019

I evaluated whether upgrading the quantity of explosives used for an experimental gas apparatus would also require the need to upgrade the apparatus' exhaust system and associated piping. To accomplish this, I prepared a detonation gas behavior analysis using various thermodynamic and fluid mechanic principles. The analysis involved the use of symbolic functions utilizing numerical analysis software to compute the initial and final conditions of a highly energized, compressible gas undergoing a fully-reversible and adiabatic (isentropic) expansion.

HVAC & Radiation Monitoring System Upgrades March 2019 – February 2020

I was a preparer and in some cases a checker for various tasks that require the preparation and evaluation of HVAC load calculations, the upgrade of associated heating & cooling equipment and the assessment of exhaust ventilation radiation monitoring devices. The calculations included heat/cooling load analysis and vacuum line pressure drop computations.

Underground Ventilation System Design February 2020 – June 2021

I was the checker for a senior mechanical engineer preparing a new set of ventilation system drawings for upgrading a NNSS underground experimental facility's exhaust ventilation system. I verified ducting and fittings sizing, layout and compliance against the Sheet Metal and Air-Conditioning Contractors' National Association (SMACNA) standards and general practices.

Pressure and Volume Calculations June 2021 – August 2022

I was asked to prepare numerous 3D models and volume calculations for underground experimental areas located at the NNSS. The calculations included the ability of the areas' containment mechanisms to withstand various experimental scenarios such as rapid expansion of gases, the evaluation of oxygen concentrations due to the introduction of various vapors and the calculation of overall volume available due to equipment allocation.

Machine Shop Bay Evaporative Cooling System Upgrade August 2022 – May 2023

I provided a mechanical design for the upgrade of a shop cooling system. This task involved a full cooling load calculation of the high bay, the sizing and reconfiguration of new evaporative coolers and the preparation of mechanical demolition and new constructions drawings.

Ventilation 3D Modelling and Design May 2023 – Current

I am currently involved in the active development of 3D mechanical models and associated drawings in support of a project which is upgrading an underground experimental facility located at the NNSS. I am tasked with the calculation and design of new carbon steel and fiberglass ventilation ducting as well as the development of all 3D modelling.

OSCAR PEREIRA AVILEZ (17-447-44)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



TIME GAPS

Start Date	End Date	Explanation
August 2008	July 2013	I served in the United States Marine Corps from September 2008 to June 2013.

ELI WALTZ (18-015-99)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

DISCIPLINE: MECHANICAL

GENERAL



Applying To
Nevada

Application Type
Comity - PE

Application Date
01/17/2020

Citizenship
United States

SUMMARY



Engineering Experience after EAC degree
14 years, 5 months

Total Engineering Experience
14 years, 5 months

Experience under licensed engineer
14 years, 5 months

Disciplinary Action
None reported



EDUCATION



Bachelors in Mechanical Engineering (EAC)
Columbia University
September 2005–May 2009

EXAMS



Fundamentals of Engineering (FE)
New York
April 2009

Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE)
Electrical & Computer
Hawaii
April 2019

Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE)
Mechanical
Nevada
January 2025

NOTE: First discipline specific Mechanical license.

LICENSES



Initial License
Hawaii
Issued: May 2019
Expires: April 2026

Additional Licenses
NV EE

WORK EXPERIENCE

Engineering Partners, Inc.
Hawaii (United States)
Principal
March 2010—August 2024

Verified by
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Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: 14 years, 5 months
Post EAC degree: 14 years, 5 months
Experience under licensed engineer: 14 years, 5 months



TASKS

Project Engineer (2009 – 2013) - Design, drafting, cost estimates, specifications and construction administration for MEP projects under the supervision of a licensed mechanical and electrical engineer

Project Manager (2013 – 2017) - Design, drafting, cost estimates, specifications and construction administration for MEP projects; oversaw drafting staff and other engineers on projects; proposal preparation and project meetings; project coordination with other disciplines.

Associate (2017-2022) – Design, cost estimates, specifications and construction administration for MEP projects; oversee Hawaii offices' MEP department, including all staff members within the department; interaction with clients, including proposal preparation and project meetings; project coordination with other disciplines; business development for the company.

Principal (2023-Current) - works with other principals on high level planning of the business; participates in wider range of business development; manages project managers; develops overall strategies; responds to clients and contractors on wide range of questions and project types.



REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

West Hawaii Community Health Center Renovation (2010): Designed air conditioning distribution on a clinic renovation.

University of Hawaii at Hilo Solar Pool Heating(2010): Designed system using solar water heating rooftop panels to circulate water and heat the pool.

Smithsonian Hilo Base Station Renovation(2010): Designed mechanical, plumbing, and fire sprinkler systems for a new lab space within the existing facility.

Lucy's Taqueria (2011): Lead mechanical design for restaurant Renovation.

Cousins Seafood (2011): Lead mechanical design for restaurant Renovation.

Hawaii Community Center Wai Honua Building Addition (2012): Mechanical and electrical design for new office and performing area.

Big Island Beef Facility (2012): Lead design for upgrades to slaughter facility.

DOT Harbors Pier 1 Renovation (2012): Project managed and designed mechanical system for a facility at the pier.

Hawaiian Electric Building Renovation and Data Center(2013):

Hilo Bay Café Renovation(2013): Project managed MEP and civil designs, completed electrical design for renovations within existing facility.

Dept of Education Waiakeawaena Library Air Conditioning Replacement(2013): Project managed and led the electrical design for AC replacement project.

University of Hawaii at Hilo College of Pharmacy Building (2014): Project managed and lead mechanical design for new ~30,000 sq ft building.

Hilton Waikoloa Palace Tower Renovations(2014): electrical and mechanical design for 400+ room renovation.

HMC Cardiology Clinic(2015): Electrical design for clinic in existing hospital.

Kealakehe High School Science Upgrades(2015): Mechanical and electrical design for science classroom upgrades.

Mauna Kea Resort Lloyd Sexton Gallery, Manta Ray, Conference Room Renovations (2016)

Maui Ocean Center Renovations(2016): Oversaw mechanical design for new complex including theatre.

Kealakehe ES Kitchen Renovation (2016): Oversaw MEP department in the renovation of existing kitchen.

Aloha Vet Clinic (2017): Oversaw mechanical design for new vet clinic.

Nawahi School Hale Elima Building (2017): Electrical design and project manager for a new building located on the existing campus.

Kulawai Farm Hydroelectric (2017): Project managed and mechanical design for residential hydroelectric system.

NAVFAC Bldg 169 Replace ATS (2018): Project managed and set standards for project.

Asia Development Bank Security Upgrades (2018): Oversaw MEP designs for security improvement designs across campus.

Nohea Phase 2 Development - 2018: Project managed and electrical design for the buildout of 24 separate condominium buildings across the site.

Kulaimano Elderly Housing Renovation - 2019: Oversaw MEP designs for new campus wide renovation of facility and electrical upgrades.

County of Hawaii Kukuioia Villages Phase 1 - 2020: electrical design for new homeless complex.

Russell Campus Chiller - 2021: Project managed and electrical design for the replacement of 3 chillers. Directly oversaw the mechanical portion of the project, including review of equipment, delegating tasks to other engineers, and attending weekly construction meetings.

NAVFAC B1101 Connect Chillers to Emergency Power - 2021: Project managed and electrical design for replacement of existing switchboard and automatic transfer switch in order to improve reliability of the backup generation system at B1101.

Kealakehe Police Station Chiller Replacement - 2021: Project managed and electrical design for the replacement of the existing fire alarm system within the building and design for the replacement of mechanical equipment throughout the facility.

NAVFAC Dry Dock 1 Modify Temporary Utilities - 2021: Project managed and electrical design for improving operation and power distribution along the dry dock at Pearl Harbor.

NAVFAC S-1182 - 2021: Provided design for connection of new government furnished 1MW generator to existing paralleling switchgear. Upon review of conditions, paralleling switchgear was found to be obsolete and require replacement.

NAVFAC B992 Antenna Pads -2022: Project managed and electrical design for new federal facility for offices and new antenna pads.

Subaru Summit Chiller -2022 : Project managed and electrical design for the replacement of chiller equipment serving a telescope at 13,000ft elevation.

Keaau Mountain View Library - 2022: Project managed and electrical design for new library to serve a rural community.

NAVFAC Building 250 Lightning Protection System - 2022: Project managed and electrical design for a new lightning protection system on a 3 story structure.

Ka'u Hospital Renovation - 2023: Project managed and electrical design for the renovation of a rural hospital to allow for increase in quantity of exam rooms and administrative areas.

Nevada Joint Training Facility, Reality Based Training -2023: Project managed and electrical design as well as mechanical concept for a new indoor police training facility.

ELI WALTZ (18-015-99)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



TIME GAPS

Start Date	End Date	Explanation
June 2009	February 2010	I had recently graduated college and was looking for employment opportunities.

Structural

MATTHEW SODA (18-416-61)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

DISCIPLINE: STRUCTURAL

GENERAL



Applying To
Nevada

Application Type
Comity - PE

Application Date
06/27/2024

Citizenship
Canada

SUMMARY



Engineering Experience after EAC degree

Total Engineering Experience
9 years, 10 months

Experience under licensed engineer
4 years

Disciplinary Action
None reported



EDUCATION



Meets NCEES Engineering Education Standard

Bachelors in Civil Engineering
University of Windsor
September 2009–October 2013

Masters in Civil Engineering
University of Windsor
September 2013–June 2015



NOTE: First discipline specific structural license.

EXAMS



Fundamentals of Engineering (FE)
Michigan PE
September 2017

Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE)
Civil
Michigan PE
July 2022

NCEES 16HR Structural (SE)
Structural
Michigan PE
October 2024

LICENSES



Initial License
New York
Issued: August 2022
Expires: July 2025

Additional Licenses
NV

WORK EXPERIENCE

DTI Group
Ontario (Canada)
Project Manager/EIT
October 2013—March 2017

Verified by
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Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: 2 years, 7 months
(75%)
Experience under licensed engineer:
2 years, 7 months



TASKS

My employment at DTI Group was in the branch of Structural Engineering. I began my career providing fully detailed fabrication drawings and erection plans for the steel building structure as well as assisting in the design build phase by providing connection design input. I was then promoted to a project engineer position in which I was responsible for management of projects including direct contact with the client, updating and tracking of the project schedule, issuing and reviewing answered project RFI's for completeness and accuracy, and task delegation to a team of 3+. The project engineer role included input on connection design and interpretation of contract documents.

My employment at DTI group provided me with an immense amount of experience in the design and detailing of steel structures. I gained experience in determining load path and steel member connection design. Most of the company's detailing work was on projects in California, which required me to become familiar with seismic connection detailing and code requirements. As my career progressed, I worked on some more unique design projects, which provided me with experience in cold form steel, building façade construction, and industrial steel design. These experiences proved to be useful as I advanced my career with my (2) future employers.

Approximately 70% engineering and 30% management was performed in my day-to-day work.



REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

University of Michigan Ross School of Business Phase 2

Scope: Design of building envelope
January 2015
Ann Arbor, Michigan

I reviewed all the vertical stud spans on the project to determine the required stud sizing based on deflection criteria as defined by the Michigan building code and the project specifications. I designed the studs with a deflection of L/600 to ensure that deflection in the backup wall would not cause the terracotta tiles on the exterior to crack. To confirm the deflection of the studs, I input the various spans, loading and section properties of the stud walls on the project into a spreadsheet to calculate the deflection of the various studs.

I reviewed stud suppliers that manufactured a type of stud system that met the project specifications, including deflection tracks and profiles that met the strength and serviceability requirements of the project. I also used the Hilti catalogue to search for fasteners that I would specify to connect the exterior sheathing to the stud system. I settled on fasteners that were self-tapping, to facilitate quicker installation, and that were composed of stainless steel to reduce corrosion. The fasteners needed to be different for the different applications depending on the material we were fastening to, for example concrete or steel, which required different considerations depending on the material. During this project, I had to be cognizant of the base building structure at all the locations when designing the fasteners.

New Crane Monorail Structure

Scope: Design of a new crane monorail structure for a local manufacturing shop.
February 2017
Windsor, Ontario

I used the maximum lifting load of the desired model of crane (chosen by the client) to determine the vertical, lateral and impact loads on the structure per the 2012 Ontario Building Code.

I then calculated the required moment of inertia to determine the range of acceptable member sizes for the crane beam. I calculated the flexural capacity of the chosen member based on the CSA S-16 Steel Code and accounted for flexural, torsional, and flexural-torsional buckling of the laterally unsupported member. It was at this point that I was required to adjust the crane beam member from a single wide flange member to a composite member of a wide flange and down-turned channel. This helped achieve a stiffer member in the lateral direction and prevented the beam from buckling out of plane. I calculated the factored compressive resistance of the column and brace members in compression subjected to elastic local buckling.

Once the member sizes were determined and confirmed by the above calculations, I proceeded to design the connections. I designed standard bolted gusset connections at the braces and a bolted moment connection at each end of the monorail beam. This connection consisted of a top and bottom bolted flange plate and a bolted shear tab. I wanted to avoid field welding for as much of the design as possible since cost was a key consideration for the client.

One final design consideration I had to make was accounting for the uplift forces on the brace members at each end of the crane beam. The design required the use of post-installed anchors into existing concrete. The thickness of the concrete floor was unknown and therefore posed a problem in the anchor design. Using Hilti Epoxy anchors for the design, I assumed the most conservative case when determining the floor thickness for design of the anchor capacity. This resulted in the connection lacking resistance to tension forces. My solution was to pour a concrete pedestal on top of the baseplate connection and around the brace member to add dead weight and prevent uplift. I determined the size of the pedestal by equating the amount of uplift force to the dead weight of a volume of concrete. The pedestal was reinforced with minimum rebar as specified by code.

MATTHEW SODA (18-416-61)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

WORK EXPERIENCE

CET Incorporated
Michigan (United States)
Project Engineer
March 2017—February 2019

Verified by
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Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: 1 year, 6 months (75%)
Experience under licensed engineer:
1 year, 6 months



TASKS

I was employed primarily to act as a structural designer for the design of new structures, repair, and replacement solutions of existing structural steel elements. I developed detail drawings and plans for submission to clients, contractors and fabricators. I inspected existing structures for defective members and provided recommendations for repair or replacement to prolong the structure's lifespan.

I developed scope of work documents outlining project milestones and deliverables. During construction I conducted field verification and updated project documents to as-built condition.

I progressed in my position from learning company design standards and providing designs based on superiors' initial concept sketches to conducting my own initial site visits, developing initial concepts and providing full design of projects from inception to construction. Near the end of my engagement, I was also providing colleagues with design input on their projects and conducting independent checking of initial concepts and designs of more junior employees.

Approximately 80% of my work was engineering focused. The balance was management and field surveying/review.



REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

Y-Section Access Platform

Scope: Design of access platform to facilitate maintenance work at the roof of the Basic Oxygen Furnace building.
April 2018
Dearborn, Michigan

I designed platforms for access to fans and actuators required for maintenance. I began with a visit to the field to survey the existing structure and take photos and measurements. I used existing drawings to confirm dimensions and locations to connect the platforms. The actuators were located away from the nearest work platform so I determined that we would require a new platform that would span between the existing platform and support on a large steel duct structure. I designed the platform with a large lower platform and ladders to access higher platforms as the actuators were at multiple elevations. My initial concept design was to have a working platform with a cantilevered section off to one end providing access to the ladders and the platforms above. I determined through hand calculations that the cantilevered platform would create a significant moment in the main working platform that would need to be resolved in the connections back to the structure and would likely be too great to be a feasible option. To avoid the need for moment connections, I eliminated the cantilevered platform and placed the ladders in line with one another to allow access to all platforms at various elevations, which eliminated much of the eccentricity in the design and allowed for simple shear connections. The platforms were required to be in accordance with the OSHA 1910.29(b) guidelines which required me to consider these additional safety requirements in my design.

A/C Platform Design

Scope: Design of a structural steel platform to support a new A/C unit.
July 2018
Dearborn, Michigan

I began the design process by completing initial layout of existing structural members based on existing drawings. I conducted research of historic steel profiles to confirm existing member sizes. It was important from the design point of view that I confirm the

member profiles to review existing member capacity and ensure I accurately detailed the connections for the existing members. The initial member sizing was driven by my experience designing equipment platforms. Due to the relatively light loads the design was governed by minimum connection requirements, practicality of member sizing and general fabrication considerations. I designed the connections as shear tabs and utilized the AISC Steel Construction Manual to determine standard bolt spacing and edge distances. Plate thickness and weld sizing considerations were driven mostly by loading requirements and considerations for connections to adjacent materials, in that, minimum weld sizing and thicknesses needed to be specified, which I based on requirements in the AISC manual. I next dealt with design of post connections to the existing roof members. In my judgement, fabrication would be more cost effective if a fillet weld connection could be utilized for the post connection to the flange of the supporting channel member. I determined the post baseplate thickness using the rule-of-thumb method outlined in the AISC manual for baseplate design. I designed the bolt spacing in the baseplates using the workable gauge for the existing beams, as noted in the shape property section of the AISC Steel Construction Manual. Using table J3.4 to arrive at acceptable edge distances on the baseplate, I thought it prudent to add additional edge distance to allow for minor field modifications in the event of fit up issues since the connection was being made to existing steel. Another factor in my design process was the ease of erectability of the frame. This drove my choice of bolted connections to minimize the amount of field welding utilized. I designed the platform in a way so that each of the two longest sides could be fabricated in one frame, with the posts, baseplates & connection tabs all shop welded together. This allowed for an easier erection process as fewer pieces were required to be lifted and assembled in the field. This was also done to reduce the cost of the total process as shop work is usually preferred to field work, especially where connections to existing structures are concerned.

MATTHEW SODA (18-416-61)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

WORK EXPERIENCE

RJC Engineers
Ontario (Canada)
Project Engineer
March 2019—January 2025

Verified by
Andrew D Crosby
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Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: 5 years, 10 months
Experience under licensed engineer:
None



TASKS

My major branch of engineering is Structural Design and Analysis. My job includes design in all major building material including concrete, steel, wood, and masonry. Additionally, I have gained experience in design of structural glass, aluminum and cold form steel. I have worked and am familiar with both Canadian and American building codes and design specifications. I have had the opportunity to design and work on projects throughout North America.

I am responsible for preparing detailed structural designs and assisting with design checks for portions of projects. I assist with the development of preliminary structural design concepts. I am also responsible for the analyses of existing structures and member capacity for renovation and retrofit projects.

I ensure quality compliance of projects by maintaining design/checking notes. I also write technical reports, conduct site visits, attend site/field meetings and review shop drawings to ensure conformity to the structural design.

I have progressed in my job responsibility, beginning with small projects such as residential stair design and design of smaller portions to providing design of full project scopes including new construction and renovations to existing structures. I have managed multiple projects from design development through construction administration.

As of January 2023 I was promoted from Design Engineer to Project Engineer with increased responsibilities associated with:

- Managing project schedules.
- Training and coaching members of the project team.
- Contribute to setting financial goals for the group and manage production costs.

100% of my employment is engineering related.



REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

Eaton Centre Skylight Renovation

Scope: Removal and replacement of 850ft long skylight glazing enclosing North America's busiest shopping mall.

April 2020-June 2024
Toronto, Ontario

I began the project by building an analytical FEA model of the existing structural framing based on record drawings. I analyzed the existing skylight framing for the base loading to establish the magnitude of forces for comparison to the new loading. I analyzed the existing structure for the new loading of the replacement glass and environmental loads. The main scope was removal of the existing (3) panel glazing and replacement with (1) panel providing more clarity and better energy performance. I conducted design of the glass make-up to determine the glass thickness and required laminate ensuring the glass stress was within code specified limits and deflections were adequate for the increased span. As part of the construction phase I reviewed construction loading on the base building structure to determine the adequacy of the base building to support the loading of scaffolding, cranes and construction material. I conducted hand calculations of concrete beam capacities and modeling of two-way concrete slab sections using FEA software to determine if the slabs had adequate strength to support the temporary loads.

Woodbine Casino Theatre

Scope: Design of a 5,000-seat performance venue constructed of 3,300 tons of structural steel.

March 2020-January 2023
Toronto, Ontario

I was responsible for multiple scopes of work on this project. One design item was the 10' deep 175' long steel roof trusses. I modeled each truss group independently to capture the various loading scenarios unique to each one, which was based on their location in the building. I reviewed the roof framing scheme to determine the proper unsupported length of the truss members to accurately capture the strength of the long chord members. I considered deflection and strength of the trusses and the internal members under various load scenarios. I considered multiple load cases, including pattern loading, on the trusses as portions were cantilevered and the worst-case design scenario was not under full load. I participated in discussions with the broader design team and fabricator/erector regarding the erection and loading sequence of the trusses to effectively load the trusses without inducing internal stresses generated by fixity at the ends in the final erected condition. The second scope item I designed was the exterior cladding support framing comprising large 12" deep HSS hanger members spanning from the roof to ground floor around the perimeter of the building. The major aspect I considered for this part of the project was the deflection of the system that governed the design. I sized the members to reduce the deflections to be within code-specified limits and to meet the requirements of the cladding contractor.

Distillery – Blast Hardened Glazing

Scope: Design of blast hardened glazing for a distillery.
February 2024–May 2024
Calgary, Alberta

I designed new interior glazing to resist the loading imposed by accidental explosion of distilling stills. The glass was analyzed using software capable of determining the strength and hazard potential for laminated glass in a blast scenario. Additionally, non-linear time history analysis was conducted on the steel framing members to determine their strength and ductility in a blast scenario. Both CSAS850 and ASCE59-11 codes were used in the analysis and design of the framing. I designed and detailed the steel connections to ensure adequate strength and rotational capacity that aligned with the analysis model.

1200 Bay Street - Retail Renovation

Scope: Renovation of existing 14 story concrete moment frame building tenant on ground floor.
September 2023 - January 2025
Toronto, Ontario

I conducted a review and analysis of the existing building concrete moment frame lateral system to determine impacts and reinforcing requirements for removal of the 3rd floor building slab and associated lateral elements. I designed two schemes utilizing both concrete and steel to both strengthen and stiffen the existing building and to maintain the existing lateral performance of the building per the National building Code of Canada. Additionally, I designed new framing to reinforce the existing concrete slab for an increased live load from 50psf to 100 psf. This consisted of steel strap plates and anchorage in two directions below the slab to provide additional moment capacity.

MITCHELL WERDEN (16-991-50)

All work experience reviewed by two licensed professionals

DISCIPLINE: STRUCTURAL

GENERAL



Applying To
Nevada

Application Type
Comity - PE

Application Date
01/17/2025

Citizenship
United States

SUMMARY



Engineering Experience after EAC degree
7 years, 11 months

Total Engineering Experience
7 years, 11 months

Experience under licensed engineer
7 years, 11 months

Disciplinary Action
None reported



EDUCATION



Bachelors in Civil Engineering (EAC)
Colorado State University
August 2012–December 2016

NOTE: First discipline specific structural license.

EXAMS



Fundamentals of Engineering (FE)
Colorado
January 2017

Principles and Practice of Engineering (PE)
Civil
Colorado
October 2021

NCEES 16HR Structural (SE)
Structural
Colorado
October 2024

LICENSES



Initial License
Colorado
Issued: December 2021
Expires: October 2025

Additional Licenses
None

WORK EXPERIENCE

EnCon Design
Colorado (United States)
Design Engineer
January 2017—January 2019

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Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: 2 years
Post EAC degree: 2 years
Experience under licensed engineer: 2 years



TASKS

I was responsible for designing precast elements including, but not limited to: Prestressed/mildly reinforced/post-tensioned concrete columns, walls, DT's, beams, spandrels, and hollowcore. I was also responsible for reviewing piece tickets and details before they went to the plant for production. For every job I was involved in I had to design the handling/transportation of the precast pieces by locating lifting loops and support points to limit stresses and avoid cracking. I also had limited shop drawing review and precast connection design. I was also apart of the design of blast resistant walls that were insulated precast walls that were 100% composite. I would also be tasked with reviewing new engineers/interns design calculations before the senior engineer would review them.



REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

For a classified 1-story data center I designed the insulated precast wall design that required being 100% composite and resisting extreme blast loading. The blast-resistant design was performed using SBEDS (Single Degree of Freedom Blast Effect Design). Each wall had to be designed individually due to different span lengths and connections to the steel superstructure.

For a 10-Story (6 precast 4 steel) Parking garage/office space I designed post-tensioned and mildly reinforced concrete spandrels, walls and columns. I also designed the prestressed double tees. This building had variable loading with the option of converting the top level of precast parking into an office space which I used in my calculations for the design of all the precast members.

A 2-Story precast podium I designed concrete hollow core, beams, and columns that had 4 stories of wood framing above. I had to analyze very complicated loading, Non-parallel demising wall loads, combined with pool and planter loads on the amenity deck. There were also coordination issues where MEP had cored through prestressing strands and I had to design the repair using FRP.

I designed 4 story parking garage and all its components, double tees, beams, spandrels, walls, shearwalls, elevator towers and columns. The precast components were a mixture of prestressed pre-tensioned, post-tensioned and mildly reinforced. I designed the shearwalls to resist the lateral load (wind/seismic) overturning. I also deisnged connections for precast to precast as well as precast to foundation. This also had an amenity deck with planters and plaza at the top level which I had to model and analyze.

I developed a monolithic elevator core design and handling manual that was used by the company. EnCon had stated to pour elevator cores in a box form instead of traditional wall panels welded together and I took on developing a design manual that outlined how to model, apply loads and interpret output results and ultimately provide a design for the box core. After the design was complete, I had to design the handling and transportation of these special precast members.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Walker Consultants
Colorado (United States)
Project Engineer
February 2019—January 2024

Verified by
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Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: 4 years, 11 months
Post EAC degree: 4 years, 11 months
Experience under licensed engineer:
4 years, 11 months



TASKS

I am responsible for performing structural analysis and design of parking garages that are post-tensioned or precast. This includes both the lateral and gravity design of these structures. At inception of projects I am tasked with sizing the structural members e.g. beams, columns, grade beams, foundation system, slab depth, walls and moment frames. I will investigate maximum spans of members to obtain a grid spacing for the Architect and owner based on site parameters. The superstructure is commonly concrete with a few exceptions for structural steel. Canopies, roofs, and stairs are designed using structural steel. Walls can be either CMU or concrete based on owner/architect preference. During the construction phase I review and approve all shop drawings, RFI's and perform site visits. I am also involved in performing structural evaluations/repairs of existing structures.

As a Project Engineer I continue to perform the duties above as well as review my peers plans and calculations. I also have started to lead the structural design for projects in seismic design categories C and D.



REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

I was responsible for designing a 3 story precast parking garage located in Phoenix, Arizona. This includes designing the lateral load resisting system and the foundation system (drilled piers). I was also responsible for reviewing the precast calculations. Additionally I was responsible for designing the slab on grade, CMU walls, grade beams and structural steel canopies and stairs. In this project one of the stair cores was designed as architectural precast that was required to be laterally braced by the steel stair framing.

I was responsible for designing a 3 story precast parking garage in Breckenridge, CO. This includes designing the lateral load resisting system including shear walls and diaphragm. I also designed the foundation system (spread and continuous footings). This project was SDC B, with a substantial amount of snow loading. Additionally I was responsible for designing the SOG, CMU stair towers, grade beams and steel trusses for the roof of a lobby area. The stairs were structural steel with embeds that I also designed.

I was responsible for the preliminary design for two parking structures 2 stories in height, located in Los Alamos, NM. The drawings for these are considered classified. I was tasked with a preliminary lateral analysis for SDC D and gravity load takedown to size footing and overturning requirements. Later in the project I performed site visits to ensure the building was conforming to the construction documents.

I was responsible for designing a 3 story post-tensioned parking garage in SDC B that was located in Phoenix, Arizona and designed for an additional 1 level vertical expansion. This includes designing the lateral load resisting system, ordinary concrete moment frames, and the foundation system (drilled piers). Additionally I was responsible for designing the superstructure. I also designed the slab on grade, CMU walls, grade beams and structural steel canopies and stairs.

I was responsible for designing a 2 story concrete post-tensioned parking garage that was located in Laramie, WY and designed for an additional 1 level vertical expansion. This includes designing the lateral load resisting system, superstructure, and the foundation system (drilled piers). This parking garage has an extensive stone facade that was braced back to the superstructure and supported on pier caps and grade beams. I also designed the slab on grade, CMU walls, grade beams and structural steel and stairs. The elevated slab also had various cantilever conditions.

I was responsible for aiding in the design of a 19 story post-tensioned building in SDC D that is located in Oahu, HI. This project is very complex due to the location and various loads in the building. The first 12 floor are dedicated parking and next 6 floors were adaptive reuse office space. The roof is a conference center with an outdoor green space. I was tasked with modeling the building and performing a response spectrum analysis for the seismic lateral analysis. I performed the preliminary design of the foundation

and superstructure.

I lead the structural design and detailing of a 3-story post-tensioned building located in Wichita, KS. This project had an extensive façade at the stair and elevator towers, and along the parking garage. This garage also had an attached transit center made from CMU and long span trusses. The parking garage was a cast-in-place post-tensioned one-way slab and beam system. The foundation utilized spread footings, combined footings, and mat footings.

I lead the structural design and detailing of a 5 story post-tensioned building located in Bozeman, MT. This project was a CIP PT parking garage that was surrounded by wood framing on two sides with a 6" expansion joint. I was responsible for the design of the concrete parking garage, expansion joint between buildings lateral system (SDC D) and coordination for a shared foundation where the wood structure was near or on the parking garage.

I have been involved several restoration projects in UT/CO/AZ that included analyzing the current conditions of a post-tensioned structure with broken tendons, preparing repair documents and details, evaluating existing conditions and designing repairs or full replacements of structural member including concrete columns, walls, beams and slabs. Reviewing calculations of a peer that was designing a repair/replacement for a precast spandrel.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Walker Consultants
Colorado (United States)
Project Engineer
January 2024—January 2025

Verified by
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Experience Summary
Full-Time
Engineering: 1 year
Post EAC degree: 1 year
Experience under licensed engineer: 1 year



TASKS

I am responsible for performing structural analysis and design of parking garages that are post-tensioned or precast. This includes both the lateral and gravity design of these structures. At inception of projects I am tasked with determining an economical lateral system, structure grid layout, sizing the structural members e.g. beams, columns, grade beams, and slab. I determine maximum spans of members to based on the grid spacing for the Architect and owner based on site parameters. The superstructure is commonly concrete with a few exceptions for structural steel. Canopies, roofs, and stairs are designed using structural steel. Walls are either CMU or concrete based on owner/architect preference. I review calculations of other engineers in the firm and provide comments during the peer review process, code or design related. During the construction phase I like to build a relationship with the general contractor such that we have open communication and can resolve any field issues quickly. I review and approve all shop drawings, RFI's and perform site visits. I am also involved in performing structural evaluations/repairs of existing structures.



REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS

I lead the structural design and detailing of a 5 story parking garage in Chandler, AZ. I was responsible for the lateral calculations and detailing of all lateral elements (shear walls, diaphragm, lateral elements foundations). I was also responsible for reviewing the gravity foundation (drilled piers) calculations of another engineer.

I was responsible for the construction administration phase of two projects at the Boise Airport. These garages were 5 levels cast-in-place post-tensioned concrete. My responsibilities included the review of shop drawings including, rebar, post-tensioning, structural steel, as well as performing monthly site visits and writing field reports on the progress of the projects. I had to note any deficiencies that did not conform to the project specifications or construction documents.

I assisted the lead structural engineer with the lateral analysis of a 9-story parking garage in Kalamazoo, MI. The garage was a precast concrete superstructure with isolated stair towers. I was responsible for the Wind/Seismic analysis and detailing of the lateral elements (Shear walls and diaphragm).

I assisted the lead structural engineer with the lateral analysis of a 7-story parking garage in Ann Arbor, MI. The garage was a precast concrete superstructure on a drilled pier foundation. I was responsible for the design and detailing of the lateral elements (Shear walls, diaphragm and lateral elements foundations).

I lead the structural design and detailing of an 8-story post tensioned parking garage located in Rochester, MN. This project includes an 8 story concrete structure with Ordinary moment frames, an underground tunnel, and a single story transit station. I was responsible for the design of the garage, tunnel and transit center. I reviewed calculations done by younger engineers for the slab and beam designs of the garage. I performed the lateral calculations, tunnel design and foundation design (Driven Steel Piles)

6. Senate Bill 78

NVBPELS Response to Reforming Nevada's Boards and Commissions Findings and Recommendations

Office of Nevada Boards, Commissions, and Council Standard
Department of Business & Industry
B&I Policy Paper Discussion

January 31, 2025

To:

From: Angelo Spata, PE, NVBPELS Board Chair and Mark Fakler, PE, NVBPELS Executive Director

Subject: B&I Policy Paper Discussion

PURPOSE: The purpose of the board, as stated in the Nevada Revised Statute 625.005 is to safeguard life, health and property and to promote public welfare by providing for licensure of qualified and competent professional engineers and professional land surveyors.

MISSION: Founded on the board's purpose, the board's mission is to uphold the value of professional engineering and land surveying licensure by assessing minimum competency for initial entry into the profession, and to ensure ongoing standard of professionalism by facilitating compliance with laws, regulations, and code of practice; and to provide understanding and progression in licensure by openly engaging with all stakeholders.

The Nevada Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors (NVBPELS), established in 1919, serves the public interest by regulating and providing leadership to the engineering and land surveying professions - individuals and companies that practice engineering and land surveying in Nevada. The standards set by NVBPELS for ethical, professional, and technical competency ensure that Nevadans are protected in their workplaces and communities.

NVBPELS regulates over 28,000 professional engineers and land surveyors. Actively practicing professionals total over 16,000 and of those, about 3,500 are Nevada residents. NVBPELS oversees the licensure and regulation of these professionals practicing in 16 engineering disciplines and land surveying through its staff and board members who have diversified engineering/surveying background and knowledge. NVBPELS is an active member of the National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying (NCEES) advocating for common-sense model laws and sharing best practices for improved mobility both nationally and internationally.

NVBPELS operates like a small business, and continuously strives for elimination of unnecessary administrative functions and barriers to the profession. With four full time staff and two part time staff, NVBPELS serves over 28,000 licensees, of which 16,000 are actively practicing professionals, and has processed 695 licensure applications in the first half of the 2024/2025 fiscal year.

NVBPELS processes 80 percent of all comity licensure applications within a day, the remaining 20 percent are processed within three days. Because all initial applications must be reviewed and approved by the board, the

board meets monthly, averaging 20 days from receipt of initial license applications to approval. NVBPELS is key to Nevada's thriving economy. The efficient quick licensing process helps professionals to work quickly and supports skills sharing to diversify Nevada's industries, while safeguarding life, health, and property.

B&I GOAL #1: Increase board and commission accountability and transparency.

NVBPELS had been subject to review by the Sunset Committee in 2017/2018 – and was one of only a few boards to receive the “Recommendation for Continuation”. The board members individually and collectively understand they are serving all Nevadans i.e., service over self.

NVBPELS has/is considering moving to utilizing an ALJ for compliance cases, but there are concerns with the technical and standard of care aspects that require specialist knowledge.

NVBPELS provides accountability and transparency through:

- Convening 12 Board meetings per annum.
- Utilizing 4 Committees that hold public meetings.
 - Administrative Procedures Oversight Committee
 - Public Outreach Committee
 - Professional Association Liaison Committee
 - Legislative Committee
- Inviting initial applicants to virtually attend a board meeting to hear their application deliberations.
- Publishing a newsletter at least three times a year to communicate board highlights.
- Encouraging public/licensee contact with board office to obtain information pertinent to NVBPELS.
- Maintaining Office hours 8-5pm, 5 days a week (except for state holidays).
- Submitting financial audit every December for the previous fiscal year (July 1 – June 30).
- Instituting weekly staff meetings attended by a board member serving as a liaison.

B&I GOAL #2: Enhance operations and reduce redundancy.

NVBPELS operates like a small business and has created an environment of continuous improvement including elimination of rote administrative functions. NVBPELS has developed a Strategic Plan that establishes the goals and measures performance.

Key highlights are:

- 80% of comity applicants receive same-day license approval, and the other 20% of comity applicants are licensed within three days.
- Initial applications are reviewed and presented to the board within an average of 20 days (to fit monthly board meeting schedules), with most applicants licensed on the same day as a board meeting.

- Automating manual task like licensing and firm registration.
- Serving over 28,000 professionals, with 16,000 actively providing services in Nevada.
- NVBPELS has registered 1,500 firms, typically on the same day as receiving application, enabling public identification of professional in charge for firms offering services in Nevada.

B&I GOAL #3: Reduce administrative cost burdens to licensees.

NVBPELS has minimized administrative functions to reduce cost and increase efficiency. Annual license fees have not increased in 30 years. Application costs have significantly decreased, and fees for active military/veterans and their spouses have been eliminated.

NVBPELS Fees:

- Initial application fees were reduced from \$200.00 to \$25.00 in 2021.
- Comity application fees were reduced from \$200.00 to \$125.00 in 2021.
- License Renewal fees – have remained at \$100.00 per biennium for over 30 years (license period is for 2 Years with an annual cost of \$50.00).
- Firm registration fee has remained at \$50.00 per year since its inception over 20 years ago.

B&I GOAL #4: Provide excellent service delivery.

NVBPELS operates with a customer-centric culture with a customer first philosophy. Our performance record speaks to our commitment to the public, state, and licensees.

Website revision in 2020 has eliminated significant phone traffic, where staff can focus on stakeholders with technical questions, non-standard applicant situations, or compliance issues.

A live person answers the phone, emails are returned – but most importantly, a knowledgeable staff member can answer questions at first point of contact.

In Jan 2023 when severe storms caused land slips closing Wilson Canyon between Yerington/Smith Valley, out of state PEs with the special expertise required, applied, and were licensed the same day --- and not through special process, that was our regular approval time. A couple of the PEs called in disbelief at how quick it was, to thank staff for expediting their applications – but were more shocked to learn that it was our regular process timeframe.

- Phone calls are answered by a live person.
- 98 percent of emails received are answered the same day.
- NVBPELS processed 1,233 license applications in the 2022-2023 fiscal year.
- NVBPELS processed 1,440 license applications in the 2023-2024 fiscal year.
- NVBPELS has processed 695 license applications in the first half of the 2024-2025 fiscal year.

B&I GOAL #5: Enhance Nevada's economic competitiveness.

Our forward-thinking leadership, one that embraces a future focused mindset and will continue to align with Nevada's economic goals. NVBPELS pioneered the international comity pathways, opening doors for globally recognized professionals. We were the first state to establish an international pathway to professional licensure.

An example of our alignment with economic development is how we assisted in expediting the Nevada Business License process to Tesla and Panasonic.

Tesla and Panasonic required the expertise of subcontractor (many foreign) engineering firms to complete the construction and fit out of the Giga-factory in Northern Nevada. These firms were required by the state to have Nevada State Business Licenses prior to delivering services in the state. Many had "engineering" in their name, which at the time, required approval by the board. Part of that requirement for those offering engineering services is that they have a Nevada licensed engineer on staff. The board recognized the importance of the Giga-factory build timelines (and its importance to the Northern Nevada economy) and developed an immediate approval process with a 90-day grace period for the subcontracted firms to retain a Nevada licensed engineer or have their foreign engineering staff seek Nevada licensure.

Efficiency and speed in reviewing and processing applications – keeps Nevada's economy moving forward.

B&I FINDING #1: THE GROWING NUMBER OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS IN NEVADA

Boards are created by the legislature and should undergo sunset review to determine if their continuation is appropriate.

This board understands and supports the concept of board reform. However, as noted within the finding, Boards and Commissions should undergo evaluations to ensure they are serving their intended purpose and effectively addressing the needs of their constituents. NVBPELS has undergone sunset review and has been recognized as a model board, including an acknowledgement by B&I. Continuous improvement should always be the objective, however each board should be evaluated based on its merits while addressing the concerns specific to that board so as not to impact its successes.

NVBPELS was one of the first formed in 1919 as the need for public protections to regulate engineers was recognized.

As a self-funded board that relies on \$0 taxpayer dollars, the board has adopted efficiencies not typically found in the government sector, while also being sensitive to Nevada's executive branch goals and objectives.

B&I FINDING #2: TERM LIMITS, APPOINTMENT PROCESS, AND LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT

In accordance with NRS 622, current board member terms are 3 years, with a limit of four terms. NVBPELS board members are selected by the Governor.

Diversity, transparency, and uniform criteria have been cornerstone of our board appointments. The number of board members compiled with that diversity allows us to oversee 16 engineering disciplines and land surveying while being efficient and responsive. Although our integrity and effectiveness of NVBPELS will not see improvement with legislative oversight, we have no concerns with this finding.

B&I FINDING #3: ANTITRUST FINDINGS FOR BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

We understand the concerns, but trust the process of the Governor appointing members with integrity and ethics understand their duty of self, and also the collective integrity of the board as a whole to deliver its mission and purpose of serving all Nevadans, not self.

The board and staff have been fully advised and made aware of the concerns expressed by the US Judiciary regarding professional boards and commissions, and the Board has taken steps way beyond other professional boards to allow comity/reciprocal licensure in Nevada.

An ethical cornerstone of the engineering and land surveying professions is the public good over self-interest.

Boards that regulate professional licenses should require members with experience and training in those specific areas of practice. It seems only natural that most members would be licensees. We understand and appreciate the antitrust aspect but think it could be better addressed in the selection and onboarding process for potential board members. Antitrust concerns can also be addressed by having board members appointed from government agencies or institutions of higher education, so that representation is not solely from private practitioners.

Currently, NVBPELS board members go through onboarding training to highlight potential conflicts of interest and ethical issues, with periodic refresher trainings also conducted.

NVBPELS regulates 16 engineering disciplines and land surveyors, which require technical engineering competence and diversity. We work diligently to return emails, process license applications in a timely manner, hold monthly board meetings and make our board and staff available to the public and conduct regular audits of our regulations, rules, and processes. We operate on eliminating and reducing barriers while looking out for the safety of the public.

This board has and continues to be a leader nationally in the reform of license mobility and is the pioneer in the development of a framework for implementing international comity licensure.

NVBPELS processed over 1,400 license applications in fiscal year 2023-2024. We investigate all complaints in a judicious manner, and when a complaint ends with a disciplinary action, we work diligently to get to stipulated agreements, but always allow the right to a formal hearing in front of the board. The overwhelming majority of these stipulated agreements include a license suspension with a stay of suspension so that these licenses can continue to practice their profession under our supervisory authority during their probationary period.

There are alternative solutions to address this finding, without eliminating the diversity of professional representation of the board.

B&I FINDING #4: FISCAL IMPACTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, AND REQUIREMENTS SET IN STATUTE

NVBPELS is solvent and fiscally conservative, and it operates at zero cost to the State. Our licensees are the ones who bear this cost, and our fees continue to be evaluated and adjusted as necessary to maintain our solvency with a recognition that we are a “not for profit” quasi-state organization. In 2021 NVBPELS lowered or eliminated fees. Initial licensure application fees were reduced from \$200 to \$25.00 in April 2021, and fees for military members and their spouses, including veterans and veteran spouses, were eliminated. The largest expense for our professionals is

the initial licensing exam, which is a national exam administered by the NCEES. We also use the NCEES Record as the application form, which enables applicants to provide required licensing documents—transcripts, references, work history, exams—to a single repository that creates a NCEES Record that is recognized by all US licensing jurisdictions.

This said, we agree that throughout all boards and commissions, consolidating administrative functions could streamline and reduce overall costs. It is important to note that NVBPLES has limited administrative personnel and functions outside of the technical knowledge our staff possess. Although we are efficient in addressing these limited administrative functions with the same staff, there could be some minor efficiencies when looking at billings, payroll, or other services which could be consolidated under B&I with detailed review/discussion.

The NVBPLES board meets more frequently than the statutory requirements – to speed the approval of initial license applications. The process that once took two months to complete now takes less than 25-days.

B&I FINDING #5: STAFFING AND OVERSIGHT

The NVBPLES office has a customer-centric culture that prioritizes its stakeholders by fostering a customer first philosophy. Calls are answered by a live person, and 98 percent of emails are addressed on the same day.

We understand the proposed make-up for the combined board, but do not have a good understanding of how this new office would be staffed, or where we would be located, and what roles staff would fulfill.

As noted within Finding #4 above, NVBPLES has streamlined our staff. Each staff member has specific roles, but is also cross trained to add value and immediate support to the board and its members. This includes our investigative staff, which is part-time, administrative staff responsible for processing license applications and renewals, and general operations of the board, its meetings and outreach to the public and local agencies. The board staff is managed by an executive director, who understands the technical aspects of engineering and surveying and is responsible for executing NVBPLES's strategic goals. Oversight of the executive director by the B&I could also address this finding.

B&I FINDING 6#: ACCOUNTABILITY OF CENTRALIZING OCCUPATIONAL AND LICENSING BOARDS

NVBPLES board members are appointed by and accountable to the Governor.

All Board meetings and committee meetings are open to the public and are posted in accordance with Open Meeting Law. All public meetings solicit public comment at the beginning and end of each meeting. Between staff, board members, and engagement with board counsel, everyone is held accountable by each other, our licensees, other stakeholders and the public. Having a level of oversight and auditing function by B&I to review processes, business and strategic plans, and a final stop for any elevated issues is something that could be worked out while leaving the current autonomy of the board as is.

Centralizing this board could be detrimental to transparency, in that our current sub-committee structure could be dissolved by absorption into a combined board under the umbrella of B&I which would eliminate a process that allows for stakeholder participation and engagement.

B&I FINDING #7: ADVISORY COUNCILS WITHIN NEVADA EXECUTIVE BRANCH DEPARTMENTS

NVBPELS is a regulatory board that will, when deemed necessary, convene an advisory committee (*Refer to NAC 625.646 through NAC 625.6475*). Advisory committees are established by the Executive Director, in conjunction with the Board Liaison, to provide specialized assistance in three key areas:

1. Technical assistance during investigations into complaints involving licensees.
2. Evaluation of applicants seeking licensure by comity (endorsement).
3. Other tasks deemed necessary by the Executive Director or Board Liaison.

B&I FINDING #8: INCONSISTENT AND INEFFECTIVE LICENSING STANDARDS

NVBPELS is continuously updating regulations, regularly well within the statutory 10-year review requirement, to remain in lockstep with Nevada's economic strategies and stay ahead of industry trends. This includes not only the update made during the prior legislative session, but also responding to the Governor's most recent request to further reduce regulations. Since 2020, forty (40) regulations have been amended, sixteen (16) repealed, and one (1) added. Currently we have a bill draft request for the 2025 legislative session to further clean up our statutes and reduce regulatory barriers.

Licensure innovation is a prime example. Nevada was one of the first states to decouple the PE/PLS exams from experience requirements, enabling applicants to take exams earlier in their career, this is especially helpful to younger applicants that might have interrupted careers, such as leaving the work force to start a family.

NVBPELS oversees the licensure and regulation of engineering professionals in 16 engineering disciplines, in addition to land surveying, and is being compared to other licensing boards that operate in states that are Professional Engineer (PE) states. PE states do not deal with the same rigors of licensure as those states that regulate engineering by discipline of engineering practiced. PE states allow engineers to practice in any area the engineer believes themselves to be competent. This approach can be problematic for building departments and can also be detrimental to public health, safety, and welfare. These states tend to see considerably higher numbers of complaints and disciplinary actions.

This is further standardized and improved upon at a national level as part of the NCEES, in efforts to standardize regulations and statutes across the country for the profession.

NVBPELS

This board understands and supports the concept of board reform and as stated in B&I's findings, boards and commissions should undergo evaluations to ensure they are serving their intended purpose and effectively addressing the needs of their constituents. To that end, we would ask that you consider and support the recommendations enumerated below.

B&I RECOMMENDATION 1: CONDUCT REGULAR REVIEWS AND ESTABLISH SUNSET CLAUSES FOR BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

We are in agreement that all boards must undergo regular reviews and that each be able to demonstrate their necessity; it is vital to transparency. With respect to legislative changes, this board is constantly looking at statutes and regulations to ensure that its statutes and regulations remain current with technology and continue to protect the public and align with Nevada's economic strategies.

B&I RECOMMENDATION 2: ESTABLISH TERM LIMITS AND CRITERIA FOR NEW BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Currently our board members serve a maximum of four – 3-year terms in accordance with NRS 622,. The department director's assistance and procedural training is appreciated and appropriate. It is our recommendation that this board be left intact with nine members comprised of engineers, land surveyors and a public member. Additionally, we would not recommend repealing any licensing or professional board that is responsible for public health and safety.

B&I RECOMMENDATION 3: PERMIT BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS TO CONVENE ONLY WHEN NECESSARY

NVBPELS convenes twelve meetings per year. Six meetings are in person to discuss and act on board matters and initial licensure. Six meetings are virtual to discuss and act on initial licensure. Reducing the number of meetings will increase the time for approving initial applications as the board must review and approve all initial licenses due to statutory and regulatory requirements. We recommend the current board meeting schedule to ensure efficient processing of initial licensure applications.

Board Member engagement is not an issue with NVBPELS. Board members are not entitled to compensation and are limited by statute to per diem not to exceed \$150 per day.

B&I RECOMMENDATION 4: CENTRALIZE THE ADMINISTRATION OPERATIONS OF THE OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING BOARDS

A centralized website seems logical and efficient. Can we assume that you will transfer our website in its current form to this centralized website? Our concern would be a tripping out of key information that we have found helpful in providing the details related to license applications and processing to reduce repetitive phone and email communications.

Centralized staffing for the administrative functions should eliminate redundancy, but we are not clear on B&I's plan for operational staff or processes. What is the plan for current staff? How will application processing and licensing functions be performed? Who will perform accounting functions? How would NVPBELS pay B&I invoices without staff or vendors?

Our board counsel attends our board meetings and on an as needed basis, our committee meetings. Consistency with board counsel provides continuity and consistency. We have utilized the AG's office and will continue to do so as necessary. Due to turnover in the AG's office, it is a process to get each AG up to speed and the challenge is unfamiliarity with chapter 625 of statutes and regulations.

Complaints received by the board are investigated by CLEAR trained staff. Case findings and summaries are reviewed by our board counsel, sent to a board liaison for review and comment and when complete sent to a respondent in the form of a stipulated agreement for review and action. Respondent has the right to accept the

stipulated agreement or request a formal hearing before the board. The board will act upon the receipt of a signed stipulated agreement; or if a formal hearing is held will, upon hearing all relevant evidence, render a decision.

We recommend a board comprised of licensed engineers and professional land surveyors to adjudicate fair and reasonable rulings.

CLOSING STATEMENT

The role of NVBPELS is to safeguard life, health, and property and to promote public welfare by providing for the licensure of qualified and competent professional engineers and professional land surveyors. Engineers safeguard the life, health, and welfare of the public by providing safe responsible design of critical infrastructure and construction oversight. Nevada, by legislative rule, is a discipline specific state with 16 engineering disciplines that require regulatory oversight by NVBPELS. The combined board, the Nevada Board of Professional Design and Environmental Specialists as proposed by B&I would dilute the engineering diversity of NVBPELS and could have a negative impact on the welfare of the public in Nevada. The model states used as a guide in the process of drafting B&I are Professional Engineer (PE) states. These states issue a PE license that covers all disciplines of engineering. From the experiential aspect of licensure, PE states need only confirm that the applicant has engineering experience. In Nevada, we must determine whether an applicant's engineering experience matches with the engineering discipline for which licensure is being applied for.

A combined board cannot operate with the same efficiency that this singular board operates. Engineering discipline specific questions regarding proper licensing could be affected by B&I as drafted.

Over the past few years, NVBPELS has been instrumental in the economic growth of Nevada. One example is the Tesla – Panasonic giga-factory business licensing of specialty engineering firms coming from out of state and internationally.

QUESTIONS FOR B&I

- Because B&I noted NVBPELS is a “model board,” can NVBPELS be added to the exempted board list of the bill?
- What is the contemplated number of staff for the combined board?
- Have you contemplated keeping existing staff, they have the technical knowledge and familiarity with licensing system and processes.
- What is B&I’s plan for licensing system database for each of the boards? Transitioning of historical data to new platforms for license reinstatements and license renewals?
- Where will the office be located? What about existing leases and contracts?
- What happens with existing NVBPELS contracts?
- What fee structure is being considered for NVBPELS or the new design board?
- Do you see NVBPELS as disparate or insular?
- Will we be able to keep our current staff?

COMMENTS

- The NV State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners has in their mission statement, the requirement that 6 members be licensed veterinarians, one member be a licensed veterinary technician with one public member.
The Nevada State Board of Dental Examiners is filled with DDS’s and DMD’s.

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POLICY REFORM GOALS

GOAL #1

Increase board and commission accountability and transparency

GOAL #2

Enhance operations and reduce redundancy

GOAL #3

Reduce administrative cost burdens to licensees

GOAL #4

Provide excellent service delivery

GOAL #5

Enhance Nevada's economic competitiveness

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Recognizing that Nevada must restructure its boards and commissions to better serve the public interest, Governor Joe Lombardo directed the Department of Business and Industry (“B&I”, “Department”) to develop a framework for reform and modernization.

Policy evolution pertaining to boards and commissions has a rich history with roots dating back centuries. For clarity of purpose, Department staff have focused on specific developmental points that are relevant to the policy discussion of Nevada reform. Many of the topics addressed in the brief are explored in comprehensive articles published over the previous 100 years. This policy brief is not intended to be all encompassing, rather, we have endeavored to blend historical data, economic data, state comparison data, administrative theory, and case law to present policy makers with suggested policy alternatives. Special emphasis was placed on oversight, accountability, enhancing operations, ensuring equity, and providing better service.

Nevada’s regulatory, advisory, and occupational boards are a form of participatory state government where citizens can volunteer to serve their community and profession. Since the state’s founding in 1864, boards and commissions have expanded to over 315 executive department entities with over 1,700 appointees appointed by the Governor. Nevada’s government is comprised of an executive, legislative, and judicial branch. However, the size and scope of the state’s boards and commissions constitute a fourth branch of appointed representatives that have minimal oversight and wide-ranging authorities that impact the state’s economy and the livelihood of thousands of residents.

This policy brief is limited in scope to Nevada’s occupational (Title 54) and executive department advisory boards. B&I staff exempted regulatory boards, constitutional boards and boards nested within the Nevada System of Higher Education. As such, 315 boards were reviewed, 107 were deemed exempt while 203 were included in the analysis that follows. A full list of the exempted boards can be found in Appendix B.

The history and development of Nevada’s boards and commissions reflects national trends during the nineteenth and twentieth century as policy makers sought to balance the growth of industry with oversight and regulation. Nevada’s earliest occupational requirements instituted by the legislature were in 1875 and pertained to medical professionals. Subsequent initiatives during the period of 1899-1920 reflected the Progressive Era policy objectives and established a foundation for twentieth century board development. Policymakers in this period were primarily seeking to protect public health and ensure workplace safety. During the twentieth century, the number, size, and scope of Nevada’s boards grew to encompass over 30 percent of Nevada’s workforce, the highest in the country.¹ Growth in this era has continued: during the 2017 and 2019 legislative sessions, 30 new advisory boards were created, the most of any three-year period in the history of the state.

¹According to the 2015, White House Report on Occupational Licensing: A Framework for Policymakers, Nevada was second in the United States behind Iowa for the percent of the state’s workforce licensed by the state. Iowa reformed its boards and commissions in early 2024, thereby resulting in Nevada having the highest rate in the country.

Policy studies pertaining to the impact of occupational licensing cross the political spectrum as analysts identify challenges and seek solutions. The Obama era Department of the Treasury, Office of Economic Policy concluded that “current systems of licensure can also place burdens on workers, employers and consumers and too often are inconsistent, inefficient, and arbitrary.”² While a recent study conducted by the Federalist Society concluded that “today, occupational licensing requirements often fail to focus upon the goal of enhancing consumer outcomes and, instead, perversely seek to protect incumbents from competition.”³ Proponents of occupational licensing boards contend that they protect the health and safety of the public and if operating effectively, can reduce illegal behavior. Department staff sought to balance these perspectives when developing potential policy recommendations.

Nevada’s boards and commissions are a source of income for over 250 staff, contractors and executive directors, with an estimated cost of \$39 million dollars annually. Administratively, each board operates as an autonomous entity with minimal oversight even where law and regulation provide otherwise. Board appointments are generally facilitated through the executive and legislative branch however, neither has direct authority to intervene when issues arise. The Nevada State Legislature, through the Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission is authorized to conduct reviews of the state’s legislatively established boards and commissions and presents recommendations to the legislature pertaining to consolidation, modification, and improvements. This review process is woefully inadequate as the continued growth of the state’s boards has outpaced the committee’s ability to provide timely oversight.⁴ Often, the subcommittee’s recommendations never progress beyond the Commission as such policy reforms must compete with other more timely policy priorities.

Nevada’s comparatively high rate of occupational licensing adversely impacts entrepreneurship for minority and low-income citizens. According to the 2020 census, 30 percent of the state’s population is of Hispanic descent, 10 percent Black or African American, and nine percent Asian. In a study on entrepreneurship and low-income populations conducted by the Goldwater Institute, Nevada ranked 10th in the nation for entrepreneurship among low-income residents. The state’s rating is positive but could be better when considering that 55 percent of Nevada’s low-income residents are subject to occupational licensing. The Goldwater study concludes that, “the higher the rate of licensure of low-income occupations, the lower the rate of low-income entrepreneurship. The states that license more than 50 percent of the low-income occupations had an average entrepreneurship rate that was 11 percent lower than the average for all states.”⁵ The report also indicates that Hispanic popula-

²*supra* note 1, at 7

³Regulatory Transparency Project, State Licensing Boards, Antitrust and Innovation, November 13, 2017

⁴Nevada Revised Statutes 23B.220 - 23B.250. Responsibilities include: (1) conducting reviews of all boards, commissions, and similar entities in Nevada, created by statute, and determine whether each entity should be continued, modified, consolidated with another entity, or terminated; (2) recommending improvements to the entities that are to be conducted, modified, or consolidated; and (3) determining whether any tax exemptions, abatements, or money set aside for an entity should be continued, modified, or terminated.

⁵Bootstraps Tangled in Red Tape: How State Occupational Licensing Hinders Low-Income Entrepreneurship, Goldwater Institute, 2015

tions are more adversely impacted by occupational licensing than other ethnic or racial categories.

Another area of concern pertaining to Nevada's current occupational licensing board framework is potential violations of the Sherman Antitrust Act. In 2014, the United States Supreme Court in *North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners v. Federal Trade Commission* held that "in order to obtain antitrust immunity, a state agency must be actively supervised by the state if a controlling number of [its] decisionmakers are active market participants in the occupation the board regulates."⁶ Nevada's occupational boards are comprised of board members that are often licensed by the board in which they hold a position. Potential antitrust issues arise when such a board is comprised of a majority (or "dominance") of the very licenses being regulated. According to a study published by the *California Law Review* in 2017, of the 40 occupational boards surveyed in Nevada, 83 percent had dominance issues.⁷

While seeking to identify policy alternatives that would address oversight and accountability while providing a framework for more efficient operations, ensure equity and enhanced service, Department staff sought guidance from several states that have undergone similar reform with a focus on Iowa, Texas, Utah, Missouri, Wyoming, New Hampshire and Florida. Iowa's experience is worth noting as it is the only state in the nation to have undergone comprehensive boards and commissions reform. B&I leadership traveled to Iowa and met with Governor Reynolds' policy team to discuss their methodology and policy reform goals. Department staff also conducted surveys, held roundtable discussions, interviewed multiple boards' staff, and met with legislators while developing the policy recommendations contained in this report.

Understanding that Nevada's occupational licensing and advisory boards perform an essential function, B&I staff have sought to preserve the operational integrity of the boards while reforming their administrative functions. B&I is a fee-based Department comprised of eleven regulatory agencies with only 1.3 percent of its \$700 million budget derived from the general fund. It is therefore uniquely positioned to understand the similar frameworks of licensing and advisory boards. The statutory authorities granted to the Department along with its cost allocated budget philosophy provide a road map for administrative board restructuring.

The Director of B&I ("Director") is an appointed member of the Governor's cabinet with administrative authority over the functions of regulatory agencies within the Department to include budgeting, accounting, planning, program development, personnel, information services, dispute resolution, travel, workplace safety, acceptance of gifts or donations, management of records, coordination in adopting and enforcing regulations, executing agreements, purchasing goods, services or equip-

⁶Harvard Law Review, vol 129, no. 1 (2015), *North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners v. FTC*. 135S.Ct.1101 (2015)

⁷Allensworth, Rebecca Haw. "Foxes at the Henhouse: Occupational Licensing Boards Up Close." *California Law Review*, vol. 105 no. 6 2017, pp. 1567-1610.

ment, preparing legislative requests, and leasing or using office space.⁸ While the Director is granted administrative and coordinating authority, the agencies function as independent entities under the Department umbrella.

Department staff propose that the administrative functions of Nevada's occupational licensing boards be aggregated under the authorities vested in the Director's Office. Such an approach would eliminate redundancy, reduce costs to licensees, ensure consistency across all occupational licensing and advisory boards, mitigate antitrust exposure through adequate supervision, and allow board members to focus on essential functions instead of duplicative administrative activities. The Department will streamline all processes pertaining to board audits, compliance with Nevada Revised Statutes, Nevada Administrative Code, with Nevada's open meeting laws, and will develop one fully integrated website. Initial estimates indicate that this proposed structure is projected to save Nevada's licensees \$19 million dollars annually.

The Office of Nevada Boards, Commissions and Councils Standards ("Office") was established within the Director's Office of B&I during the 82nd session of the Nevada Legislature in 2023. The Office is tasked with the centralized administration of the state's occupational and professional boards and commissions, and for establishing a uniform set of standards for internal controls, legal representation, structural standards, transparency and consumer protection with the objective of enhanced efficacy and efficiency.⁹ The statutory language serves as a foundation for a more robust policy that will provide B&I and the Office with the necessary authority and resources to achieve the Legislature's stated objectives.

The Department has not only looked at the administrative workings of these licensing and advisory boards, but their ancillary activities and community reliance upon them. Through strategic partnerships with Nevada's law enforcement agencies, community partners, and nonprofits, Nevada's occupational licensing boards aid in the reduction of human trafficking and the spread of illicit drugs and controlled substances while enhancing the safety of our communities. While B&I staff have recommended board mergers, eliminations, and restructuring in several cases, we have worked to preserve board authority, avoided changing the statutory framework that defines each board's responsibilities and duties and preserved board licensing authority to include fee capture.

Of the 203 boards reviewed, 67 percent are advisory boards that are imbedded in the state's various departments and agencies. Although well intentioned, many of these boards are obsolete, ineffective, meet irregularly, and lack purpose. A 2024 survey of the Governor's cabinet indicated that the advisory boards adversely impact agency budgets and consume staff resources while providing minimal value. One common critique was that agency advisory boards consult with agency staff, the Di-

⁸See NRS 232.520, Director: Appointment and titles of chiefs and executive directors of the Department; powers and duties.

⁹See NRS 232.8415, Duties relating to regulation of occupations and professions: professional and occupational licensing boards within the purview of the Office

rector's Office, and internal agency experts when making substantive recommendations on policy to the exclusion of external knowledge, ideas and expertise, thereby creating a closed feedback loop. Another common concern was that the advisory boards seek guidance from agency staff on operational matters, including providing the impetus for meeting and their agendas, expecting the agency to provide administrative and legal support.

The policy recommendations contained in this report advance Governor Lombardo's economic development and business development goals as articulated in Section 2.4 of the Lombardo Administration's 3-Year Strategic Plan and Policy Matrix. The Department recognizes that the discourse around board reform often includes policy discussions focused on reciprocity, state compacts, and licensing requirements. Given the complexity of comprehensive board reform, Department staff have focused on subsections 2.4.1 and 2.4.3.

2.4. SIMPLIFYING PROFESSIONAL LICENSING AND REDUCING BARRIERS TO ENTRY

2.4.1. Build out new boards and commissions office in the Department of Business and Industry

2.4.2. Develop comprehensive compact and reciprocity strategies

2.4.3. Eliminate unnecessary licenses and reduce licensing fees

POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS

RECOMMENDATION #1

Conduct regular reviews of and establish sunset clauses for boards and commissions.

RECOMMENDATION #2

Establish term limits and criteria for new boards.

RECOMMENDATION #3

Permit boards and commissions to convene only when necessary

RECOMMENDATION #4

Centralize the administrative operations of the occupational licensing boards under the Department of Business and Industry.

RECOMMENDATION #5

Consolidate, merge, and eliminate certain boards and commissions to better serve the citizens of Nevada.

BACKGROUND

Boards and commissions in the United States can be traced to the colonial period and were influenced by the occupational guilds that existed in England and Europe during the Middle Ages.¹⁰ The discourse on the impact of regulating occupations has a storied history with economists ranging from Adam Smith to Milton Friedman contributing to the literary record. Occupational licensing in the United States as a function of state administration dates to the nineteenth century. At the national level during the 1800s, beyond physicians, few occupations were licensed. The question pertaining to a state's right to regulate professions was determined by the U.S. Supreme Court in *Dent v. West Virginia*, 129 U.S. 114 (1889), which affirmed a state's ability to grant licenses. Justice Stephen Field, for the unanimous court, wrote that, "The power of the State to provide for the general welfare of its people authorizes it to prescribe all such regulations as, in its judgment, will secure or tend to secure them against the consequences of ignorance and incapacity as well as deception and fraud."¹¹ Further, "[t]he law of West Virginia was intended to secure such skill and learning in the profession of medicine that the community might trust with confidence those receiving a license under authority of the State."¹²

The court's decision removed the federal government's right to preempt states' rights in this area, thereby, providing state government the ability to regulate occupations. Within a decade, the movement to protect American society from uncontrolled business expansion while providing workers with better conditions and places to live would gain further traction. The Progressive Era (as it became known) also ushered in a series of state policies aimed at protecting the public through occupational regulation and licensing.

In the December 1903 edition of the *Political Science Quarterly*, Francis Smith, when studying the development of state level commissions writes, "It frequently happens that the law organizing the commission is so expressed as to give the governor, after making the appointment of its members, no further control over the actions of that body."¹³ Progressive Era policymakers sought to reduce the influence of politics on government administration and limited gubernatorial control and power over state administration.¹⁴ Such limitations extended to the legislative branch of government and often resulted in "legislatures, elected officials, and boards and commissions operating disjointedly, and sometimes at cross-purposes."¹⁵ As the century progressed, national policy makers would reach similar conclusions pertaining to growth of commissions and boards at the federal level.

As the Progressive Era concluded and the federal government grew in response to World War I and

¹⁰Kleiner, Norris M., "Guild-Ridden Labor Markets: The Curious Case of Occupational Licensing." W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research. 2015

¹¹*Dent v. West Virginia*, 129 U.S. 114, 122 (1889)

¹²*Id.* at 128.

¹³White, Francis. "The Growth and Future of State Boards and Commissions." *Political Science Quarterly*, vol.18, no. 4, 1903, pp. 631-656.

¹⁴Seifter, Miriam., "Gubernatorial Administration." *Harvard Law Review Association*, vol. 131 no. 2. 2017, pp. 483-542.

¹⁵Miriam, *supra* note 10, at 496.

the Great Depression, the federal bureaucracy increased in size and scope. During President Herbert Hoover's administration from 1929-1933, real per capita federal expenditures increased by 88 percent.¹⁶ By 1937, President Franklin Roosevelt concluded that, "the administrative management of the Government needs overhauling." President Roosevelt established the President's Committee on Administrative Management, "to examine the whole problem broadly."¹⁷

The committee's report, published in 1937, mirrors many of the challenges that state governments face in the modern era. Although the scope of the review was focused on the federal government, the observations pertaining to the development of independent commissions are especially relevant as Nevada policymakers consider reforming the state's boards and commissions. The authors of the report conclude that, "[t]he independent regulatory commissions present a challenging problem in any program of Federal administrative reorganization." The committee concluded that "they are a sort of fourth department in the National Government."¹⁸ The committee observed that independent commissions appointed by the president operated outside of executive and legislative branch jurisdiction. The authors trace the development of state level boards and commissions to the regulation of railroads prior to 1887 and conclude, "The seeds were being rapidly sown for the growth of the multitude of State boards and commissions that were ultimately to produce the almost complete decentralization of executive power in the American State."¹⁹

As this brief survey of the historical record indicates, Nevada's contemporary experience with state boards and commissions is rooted in early twentieth century reform movements focused on public health and safety, the development of the administrative functions of government, and the prevention of corrupt political practices. This framework is important to consider when reviewing the history and development of boards and commissions in Nevada.

One of the earliest instances of occupational regulation in Nevada pertains to physicians and was introduced in 1875 by Assemblyman Henry Bergstein M.D. "to prevent the practice of medicine or surgery by unqualified persons." The bill required that physicians receive their medical education from a chartered medical school and upon establishing residence, register their diploma with the County Recorder's Office.²⁰ Assemblyman Bergstein, when writing about his bill, remarked that the Acting Governor, L.R. Bradley opposed it because many of the state's practitioners studied when medical colleges were not available. This led to a compromise in section 6 of the bill that allowed practitioners that had lived in the state for 10 years to be exempted. Section 6 also included a provision that

¹⁶Holcombe, Randall G., "The Growth of the Federal Government in the 1920s." *Cato Journal*, vol. 16, no. 2 1996. For a broader comparison of the Hoover's depression era federal per capita expenditures with that of Roosevelt's New Deal program, see page 180-181.

¹⁷Message from the President of the United States to the Congress of the United States, January 12, 1937

¹⁸See, The President's Committee on Administrative Management Report 1937, Robert Cushman, The Problem of the Independent Regulatory Commissions, Introduction pp. 207-208.

¹⁹*supra* note 14, at 209

²⁰Davis, Sam P., 1913. The History of Nevada. Nevada Publications

allowed such physicians to respond to emergencies. The legislative debate and subsequent compromise are illustrative of how similar policies would unfold throughout the twentieth century, balancing the right of a state to regulate while also acknowledging the impact of a sea change upon existing practitioners.

On November 20, 1924, the Nevada State Legislature acknowledged a report authored by the New York Bureau of Municipal Research on the general organization and management of the government of the State of Nevada. The report provided a comprehensive review of Nevada's government administration, budget, and functions. The report stated that "another serious defect of the present organization is the lack of coordination between the numerous offices, boards, commissions and agencies of the state administration."²¹ During the period that the research was conducted, Nevada had only nine occupational licensing boards (the first having been created 25 years earlier).

By the late 1950s, about five percent of U.S. workers were required to hold a state license to perform their job.²² In 2015, when the Obama White House released its occupational licensing reform agenda, 25 percent of America's workforce held a state issued occupational license.²³ The increase can be attributed to the country's shift from an industrial-based economy to a service-based economy as well as an increase in occupations becoming subject to licensing by states.

From 1960-1980, Nevada's advisory, occupational, and regulatory boards expanded to meet the state's changing industrial base, the growth of the gaming industry, and to protect consumers. Nationally, major government reform initiatives were gaining popularity that resulted in another review of U.S. government administration and prompted the states to follow. In a message to the legislature in 1977, Governor Mike O'Callaghan addressed the growth of boards in Nevada:

As we all know, advisory boards and commissions at any level of government tend to mushroom. Unchecked, they can grow with minimal analysis of their effectiveness or continued justification for existence. These bodies must be accountable to the public, and must serve, not merely represent, the public. To ensure that the current 149 state boards and commissions are productive, useful and necessary, I directed the State Planning Coordinator to conduct a study of their functions and make recommendations for improvement. Completion of this intensive review brought a recommendation to eliminate 37 boards. Another 77 boards were recommended for modifications, such as limiting terms of appointments, staggering terms, and bringing more members of the general public to the boards. Results of the study have triggered considerable comment about its recommendations. This is inevitable in most proposals to streamline existing structures. With a clear view toward streamlining state government and increasing public confidence in the decision-making process, I urge you to carefully review this important study.²⁴

²¹ Nevada State Journal, "Nevada and Its Government" Bureau of Municipal Research new York, 1924

²² Kleiner, Norris M., "Reforming Occupational Licensing Policies." The Hamilton Project, Brookings. 2015

²³ Supra note 1, at 6

²⁴ O'Callaghan, Mike, Message of the Governor to the Legislature of the Nevada 59th Session. 1977

It's worth noting that Governor O'Callaghan's remarks occurred 40 years after President Roosevelt's Committee on Administrative Management released its findings but reflect a common theme: the decentralization of government and diffusion of executive power through ever expanding boards and commissions.

In a 1976 memorandum to Governor O'Callaghan, Nevada State Planning Coordinator Bruce Arkell wrote that the increasing number of boards resulted in "administrative problems" due to a lack of "synchronization."²⁵ Similar to the approach that the Department has adopted herein, the 1976 study excluded state compacts, boards that were constitutional, elected, judicial, or legislative. The remaining 150 statutory boards and commissions studied were those regulating individual occupations and private business and advised state agencies. The study concluded that the boards had administrative inconsistencies resulting from a lack of coordination and difficulty performing administrative functions due to a lack of support. Arkell also wrote that Nevada's Governor is "considered ultimately responsible for decisions of executive boards and agencies. Yet, the Governor's authority to administer effectively is sometimes hampered." In addressing these concerns, Arkell recommended the following:

In order to address these problems, the following are recommended and should also be considered when creating new boards:

1. To have the terms of office of public policy boards fall due on specific dates of the year.
2. To stagger the terms of office for boards and commissions which are advisory, policy-making or regulatory in the area of public policy over a three year period.
3. To limit the terms of appointment to not more than two consecutive terms on the same boards.
4. To reduce the number of board members to no more than nine, where possible.
5. To attach boards to existing state agencies where possible to provide administrative support for the board.
6. To remove requirements the Governor be provided a list from which to select members.
7. To remove all administrative authority (appoint staff, approve budget) where it exists with public policy boards.
8. To place members from the general public on boards where the membership reflects one interest.

When concluding the study, Arkell found that the historical record pertaining to the reasons why many of the boards were created did not exist. As a result, "the office took the approach of looking at the board's responsibility from the basis as to whether or not it was necessary to retain the board to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Nevada." (Not unlike the core reason the

²⁵Arkell, Bruce D., "Nevada Executive Branch Boards and Commissions Recommendations for Change." Governor's Office of Planning Coordination, September 1976

U.S. Supreme Court upheld West Virginia's regulation of the practice of physicians in 1889.) If the recommendations outlined in the study would have been adopted during the 59th Session of the Nevada Legislature in 1977, 43 boards and commissions would have been eliminated and gubernatorial appointments would have decreased by 200.

From 1980-2010, Nevada's economy and population continued to expand, resulting in increased demand for government services and the regulation of new and emerging industries. In response to this growth, 65 boards were established over the 30-year period. In 2010, the Nevada Spending and Government Efficiency Commission ("SAGE") published a series of recommendations aimed at reducing government expenditures and streamlining state agencies. Recommendation 17 called for the establishment of an evaluation and sunset commission that "would make recommendations concerning statutorily created state agencies, boards, and commissions regarding duplication of efforts, efficiencies to be achieved and potential elimination of functions."²⁶ The SAGE Commission concluded that a Sunset Commission could ensure that each government entity was meeting its obligations under statute and "doing what it was established to do." Special emphasis was placed on cost reduction, better resource allocation, and adopting a public sector approach in the administrative management of Nevada government.

The legislature considered these recommendations during the 76th Session in 2011 and passed Senate Bill 251, establishing the Sunset Subcommittee of the Legislative Commission. In Nevada Revised Statutes 232B.220, the subcommittee is directed as follows:

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.

Since 2013, the Sunset Subcommittee has recommended that 35 advisory boards and commissions be eliminated: 26 boards abolished and nine abolished with their functions transferred to another board. From 2013-2023, only 13 of the 35 boards reviewed and recommended for termination were

²⁶ Partlow, Frank A., "Nevada Spending and Government Efficiency Commission", 2010

abolished. Growth of new boards did not slow. During the 2017, 2019, and 2021 sessions of the Nevada Legislature, no boards were eliminated. However, 35 new advisory boards or councils were created during this period with 12 additional boards established during the 2023 session for a total of 47 entities in six years.

The development of boards and commissions in the twentieth century reflected the growth and sophistication of government administration as the population increased and the nation's economy changed and matured over time. Policy experts throughout the century grappled with balancing limited government and citizen participation in regulating industry and advising decision makers. The historical survey provided in this report demonstrates that Nevada's experience is far from unique and rooted in the development of government administration and the diffusion of power in the American system of governance.

When considering policy alternatives for Nevada, B&I staff reviewed reform concepts from Florida, Iowa, Missouri, New Hampshire, Texas, Utah, and Wyoming. B&I staff summarized the policy initiatives proposed in Florida, Iowa, Texas, and Utah as they were representative of the types of reform proposed in all of the states studied. When Governor Lombardo first took office, he issued an Executive Order freezing new regulations by boards and commissions that add restrictions to occupational licensing while also requiring an examination of the way Nevada's boards related to other states, including reciprocity.²⁷ Examining other state approaches is a key component of Nevada's economic growth. The commonalities of the proposed reform initiatives included a reduction in the number of boards and appointments, consolidation, enhanced administrative oversight, and reduced costs to the licensee and state.

IOWA

In June 2023, Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds, in partnership with the Iowa Legislature, established the Boards and Commissions Review Committee. The committee was tasked with reviewing the efficiency and effectiveness of all boards, commissions and other similar entities created in Iowa law. The committee's final report released in September 2023 served as the foundation for a comprehensive reform package introduced during the 2024 legislative cycle as Iowa Senate Bill 2385.

Iowa's Boards and Commissions Review Committee recommended that the state's boards and commissions be reduced from 256 to 111, Governor appointments be reduced by 450 appointees, eligibility for service on an Iowa board be expanded, and clear, consistent, and effective licensing standards be adopted. In May 2024, Governor Reynolds signed Senate Bill 2385 into law. The codified version of the law eliminates or changes 80 of Iowa's boards, establishes a review committee tasked with recommending additional changes or eliminations, and requires the Iowa Department of Inspections, Appeals and Licensing to review occupational licensing fees and renewals.²⁸

²⁷ Executive Order 2023-003 and 2023-004, respectively

²⁸ Sostaric, Katarina, "Reynolds signs law eliminating 83 state boards and commissions" Iowa Public Radio, May 17, 2024

As the first state to adopt a comprehensive boards and commissions reform package in the nation, Iowa's reform initiative was of particular interest to the Department. Upon closer review, B&I staff discovered that Nevada and Iowa licensing statutes shared many similarities, often using the same language and titles for specific boards and their responsibilities. The Director of the Department along with the Deputy Director of the Office of Nevada's Boards, Commissions and Councils Standards traveled to Iowa in June of 2024 to meet with Governor Reynolds' policy team to discuss their findings and the Governor's priorities for reform in Senate Bill 2385.

TEXAS

In 2017, during the 85th session of the Texas Legislature, the state's Legislative Sunset Advisory Committee published a staff report titled, "Health Licensing Consolidation Project." The authors concluded that the legislature considered consolidation and recommended:

Merging the programs regulating psychologists, marriage and family therapists, professional counselors, social workers, sex offender treatment providers, and chemical dependency counselors into a single umbrella licensing agency. The newly created Texas Behavioral Health Executive Council would take advantage of economies of scale and eliminate duplicate administrative functions for these programs, while preserving each professional board to oversee standards of its profession.²⁹

The Texas Legislative Sunset Advisory Committee prioritized reducing duplicative administrative functions, gaining economies of scale, reducing the administrative cost per license for small boards, consolidation, and achieving greater efficiency. The report identified nine small health licensing boards that licensed 117,000 professionals with a combined staff of 82 and four large boards that licensed 700,000 professionals with a combined staff of 473.³⁰ Executive branch agencies in Texas provide board oversight which provided the Sunset Advisory Committee with an ability to enhance agency budgets to support consolidation efforts until cost savings could be realized when full implementation was complete. The authors concluded that greater efficiencies could be achieved with fewer full-time staff and integrated administrative support.

UTAH

Utah has implemented a series of reforms in recent years to modernize and streamline its occupational licensing. A study from the Institute for Justice found that occupational licensing in Utah costs the state about 19,000 jobs annually and results in a deadweight loss of nearly \$88 million per year.³¹ These reforms were designed to reduce barriers to employment, promote workforce mobility, and make the state's regulatory environment more friendly.

²⁹ Texas Legislature 2016-17 85th Session, Sunset Advisory Commission, Staff Report with Final Results, "Health Licensing Consolidation Project"; See summary pp. A3.

³⁰ *supra* note 18, at 3.

³¹ Klenner and Vorotnikov, At What Cost? Institute for Justice, 2018. <https://ij.org/report/at-what-cost/>.

In 2020, the state passed a form of universal recognition, meaning out-of-state licenses will generally be accepted in Utah. This reform, enacted by Utah Senate Bill 23 facilitates easier entry into Utah's workforce by recognizing professional licenses obtained in other states, enabling professionals, particularly those in fields like healthcare, cosmetology, and construction, to begin working without a burdensome re-licensing process.

In 2022, Utah passed Senate Bill 16 which created the Office of Professional Licensure Review ("OPLR") within the Department of Commerce. The office is mandated to review the licensure requirements for all of Utah's regulated occupations at least once every 10 years as well as review applications to establish new regulated occupations. Each year, the OPLR team must identify which occupations to review and provides the legislature with objective, data-driven recommendations on improving licensure requirements.

In 2023, building on the legislature's prior efforts to recognize out-of-state licenses, Senate Bill 35 was passed. SB 35 expands Utah's universal licensing recognition laws by removing barriers to licensure for internationally trained applicants. The law allows a wide range of individuals licensed to practice outside of the United States the opportunity to practice in Utah without requalification. The law removes the hurdles of repeating education requirements and retraining or retesting, allowing for non-U.S. and out-of-state professionals to begin practicing upon legal entry (and applicable federal work authorization) into the country.

FLORIDA

Florida has taken several significant steps to reduce barriers to occupational entry and reform the state's licensing system through a series of legislative actions, particularly with the passage of House Bill 1193 in 2020. This bill, known as the "Occupational Freedom and Opportunity Act," aimed to simplify licensing requirements for a wide range of professions, making it easier for Floridians to enter the workforce.

The law eliminates or reduces licensing requirements for more than 30 professions. This includes occupations such as interior designers, hair braiders, and makeup artists, which the legislature determined could safely operate without the need for state licensing. By removing these requirements, the state reduced unnecessary regulatory burdens, making it easier for individuals to enter these professions without extensive training or fees.

Florida introduced laws to facilitate the recognition of out-of-state professional licenses, particularly for professions like engineering, construction, and cosmetology. This helps skilled workers from other states more easily transition into the Florida workforce without going through duplicative licensing processes. This reform is expected to make Florida more attractive to skilled workers by easing the transition into the state's labor market.

The law reduces or eliminates licensing fees for some professions and establishes a cap on fees for others. This is part of the broader effort to reduce financial barriers to entering regulated professions. This provision lowers the cost of doing business for many entrepreneurs and professionals, particularly those entering small business sectors.

While Florida's HB 1193 made significant changes to occupational licensing, specific studies examining the long-term impacts of the legislation are still developing. Prior to the reform, Florida's occupational licensing laws were ranked among the most restrictive in the nation, hindering job creation. A study by the Institute for Justice estimated that those laws cost the state over 129,000 jobs annually, and Florida lost nearly \$459.9 million annually due to excessive licensing costs that will likely be reduced with the reforms.³²

³²Klenner and Vorotnikov, At What Cost? Institute for Justice, 2018. <https://ij.org/report/at-what-cost/>.

FINDINGS

Through the research outlined in this report, surveys conducted with occupational licensing boards, department boards, commissions, and consultations with other states and national organizations, we present the following findings related to the current structure, organization, and composition of boards and commissions in the State of Nevada.

FINDING 1: THE GROWING NUMBER OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS IN NEVADA

The number of boards and commissions in Nevada has been steadily increasing with each legislative session. While creating a new board or commission is relatively straightforward, eliminating or consolidating existing ones has proven to be a complex and challenging task. This difficulty in streamlining boards and commissions contrasts sharply with practices in the business world, where organizations regularly assess their strengths and weaknesses to remain effective and relevant.

In Nevada, boards and commissions should undergo similar evaluations to ensure they are serving their intended purpose and effectively addressing the needs of constituents. Despite numerous legislative efforts over several sessions to merge, reorganize, or eliminate boards and commissions, the majority of these initiatives fail to pass. This failure to act has led to a continued increase of boards and commissions, many of which overlap in function and add little value.

The growing number of boards and commissions, and their subsequent regulatory actions, not only complicates the governance landscape but also risks reducing the overall effectiveness of state oversight. Without regular evaluation and strategic reform, this trend will likely persist, leading to greater inefficiencies and redundancy that do not serve the best interests of Nevadans.

FINDING 2: TERM LIMITS, APPOINTMENT PROCESS, AND LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT

The current structure of term limits, the appointment process and legislative oversight for Nevada's boards and commissions require significant reform to enhance transparency, accountability and effectiveness. Term limits are essential to prevent stagnation and promote fresh perspectives within boards and commissions. However, the inconsistency in applying term limits across different boards has led to imbalances in governance, with some members serving extended terms while others rotate out more frequently.

The existing process for appointments, which vary widely across boards, often lack uniform criteria and transparency. This inconsistency can result in appointments that do not fully reflect the diversity or needs of the communities these boards serve. Streamlining the appointment process with clear, consistent criteria would help ensure that board members are selected based on their qualifications, experience and ability to contribute to the board's mission.

Legislative oversight is another critical area for reform. The legislative process governing boards and commissions is often slow and cumbersome (as evidenced by the net increase in boards and commissions since the Sunset Subcommittee's inception), making it difficult to implement timely changes or respond to emerging issues. Enhancing legislative oversight, while ensuring it is both rigorous and responsive, will help maintain the integrity and effectiveness of these bodies. By refining term limits, standardizing the appointment process and improving legislative oversight, Nevada can strengthen the governance of its boards and commissions, ensuring they are better equipped to serve the public interest.

FINDING 3: ANTITRUST FINDINGS FOR BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Antitrust laws are designed to prevent controlling practices and ensure fair competition. When it comes to professional licensing boards, the concern arises when a majority of the board members are professionals actively practicing and licensed within the industry they regulate. This situation creates potential conflicts of interest, where decisions might favor the interests of the profession rather than the public or competitive market principles.

Boards with a majority of members who are licensees may create an environment where the board's decisions could be influenced by self-interest. These members have a vested interest in maintaining the status quo of their profession, which can lead to actions that stifle competition, such as overly restrictive licensing requirements or biased disciplinary actions against perceived competitors/newer market entrants.

Current quorum rules under open meeting law (a simple majority of members currently appointed) means that important matters involving voting or discipline issues exacerbate antitrust concerns when the majority of those appointed and present are licensees. Licensing boards with lay members have those lay members substantially outnumbered. If licensee-majority boards vote on matters like setting industry standards or disciplining practitioners, they could make decisions that limit competition, protect incumbent practitioners from new entrants, or impose barriers that are more about protecting their interests than ensuring public safety. Even if those licensees comply with NRS 281A.420 (1)(b)-(c) regarding disclosure and abstention, these disclosures are often rote and perfunctory, further diminishing public trust.

Such practices may be seen as violating antitrust laws, particularly if the board's actions can be interpreted as restraining trade or competition. A notable case is *North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners v. Federal Trade Commission (2015)*, where the United States Supreme Court held that a state board composed mostly of active market participants (in this case, dentists) did not have immunity from antitrust laws without active state supervision.

The composition of professional licensing boards is a critical issue in maintaining a balance between regulation and competition. Ensuring that these boards do not operate in a manner that violates antitrust laws is essential for protecting public interest and fostering a competitive marketplace.

FINDING 4: FISCAL IMPACTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS, AND REQUIREMENTS SET IN STATUTE

The fiscal impacts of maintaining independent boards and commissions in Nevada are significant when compared to the potential cost savings and efficiencies that could be achieved through centralization under a single office. Independent boards often operate with redundant administrative structures, leading to higher operational costs that are ultimately passed on to licensees through fees. These fragmented systems also contribute to inefficiencies in service delivery, resulting in slower processing times and inconsistent service quality for constituents.

Centralizing independent boards and commissions under one office would streamline administrative functions, reduce overhead costs, increase transparency and eliminate duplication of effort. Consoli-

dation would not only lead to direct cost savings but also create a more efficient and responsive system. Licensees could benefit from lower fees due to reduced administrative costs, while constituents would receive improved and more consistent services. By optimizing resources and providing better oversight, the state can enhance the overall effectiveness of its regulatory framework, ensuring that both licensees and the public are better served.

Centralizing operations reduces administrative overhead by consolidating roles, resulting in lower expenses for salaries, benefits, and office resources. A unified office can also offer specialized support services, such as IT support, legal counsel (to supplement required representational counsel under NRS 228.110), human resources, and fiscal management, which many smaller boards may struggle to provide independently. Some of Nevada's smaller boards are currently operating at a deficit, or "in the red," as identified through the legislative audit process under NRS 218G.400 and in contravention of Nevada's balanced budget approach for all branches of state government. Centralization not only ensures better oversight and accountability but also optimizes the use of staff time and resources across various boards and commissions.

Moreover, by centralizing administrative functions like payroll and benefits, the burden on individual boards is alleviated, allowing them to focus more effectively on their core responsibilities. This model also has the potential to lower licensing fees, as the efficiencies gained through consolidation can be passed on to licensees, ultimately providing better service to Nevadans and visitors to our state.

The fiscal impact of maintaining statutory requirements for regular meetings of boards and commissions versus transitioning to a system where meetings are held as needed is substantial. Currently, some advisory councils within departments face challenges in generating sufficient agenda items to justify frequent meetings. This often leads to underutilized resources and inefficiencies, as meetings are held without substantive content, placing unnecessary financial and administrative burdens on the departments often providing staff time via unfunded mandate.

Moreover, meeting as needed can address the issue of councils struggling to assemble meaningful agenda items. This flexibility ensures that meetings are held only when there is a clear and substantial purpose, optimizing resource allocation and enhancing overall efficiency as well as addressing feedback loops created with meetings for the purpose of satisfying meeting requirements. As a result, departments will be better able to manage their budgets and focus their resources on more critical functions, ultimately leading to more effective and fiscally responsible operations.

FINDING 5: STAFFING AND OVERSIGHT

Prior to the enactment of Senate Bill 431 in 2023, Nevada's occupational licensing boards operated independently, lacking centralized oversight. The establishment of the new Office of Nevada Boards, Commissions and Councils Standards ("Office") provides a crucial opportunity to implement consistent standards and ensure effective oversight across all boards. The framework for this report was created, and the funding for a Deputy to operate the Office provided via action of the Legislature's Interim Finance Committee. A key element in achieving this balance between regulation and accessibility will be the strategic allocation of staff within the new Office.

The Nevada Legislature's consolidation of all professional and occupational licensing boards under

one office or division within the Department will significantly improve efficiency by streamlining administrative functions, reducing redundancy and enhancing the speed and consistency of licensing processes. The centralized oversight will also foster clearer accountability, ensuring that all boards maintain uniform standards. Moreover, smaller boards, which may have previously faced challenges due to limited resources and expertise, will now benefit from being integrated into a larger, more resourceful division. Standardizing the investigation, licensing and disciplinary processes across all boards will address existing inequalities and promote a fairer system for all applicants, ultimately strengthening Nevada's occupational licensing framework.

FINDING 6: ACCOUNTABILITY OF CENTRALIZING OCCUPATIONAL AND LICENSING BOARDS

Centralizing Nevada's occupational and licensing boards under a single office, rather than allowing them to operate independently, enhances accountability across the board. When boards operate independently, they may develop disparate standards, practices and levels of oversight, leading to inconsistency and potential gaps in regulation within the state and across state lines. By bringing all boards under one centralized office within an executive branch department, there is a unified structure that ensures consistent application of standards, streamlined procedures, clear lines of responsibility, and eliminates the fourth branch of government that is created when boards and commissions lack direct supervision.

This centralized oversight creates a more transparent system where the actions and decisions of each board are subject to regular review and alignment with broader state objectives. Currently, members of the public and licensees alike are often faced with a dead end when they wish to challenge the actions of a board because they do not have a direct path to provide grievances. Centralization reduces the risk of conflicts of interest or insular decision-making that can occur when boards operate without external oversight. Furthermore, having a single office responsible for all boards allows for better monitoring of compliance, more efficient handling of complaints and investigations, and the ability to swiftly address any issues that arise. This consolidation strengthens the overall integrity of the licensing process, ensuring that it serves the public interest more effectively.

FINDING 7: ADVISORY COUNCILS WITHIN NEVADA EXECUTIVE BRANCH DEPARTMENTS

Currently, 67 percent of boards and commissions within the executive branch of government in Nevada are merely advisory, lacking official policymaking, rulemaking, or decision-making authority. Staff findings indicate there are 26 advisory bodies in economic sectors, 23 in public safety, and 46 within health-related topics. This concentration of advisory councils within executive branch agencies creates silos, which is not an effective governance model.

A survey of executive branch departments revealed that only 47 percent of respondents believe recommendations from the advisory councils sometimes influence their department's decision-making process. This limited impact suggests that the increase of advisory bodies dilutes the strength and effectiveness of boards while demanding considerable time and effort from those who participate, many of them well-meaning and genuinely interested in serving the public good.

Research indicates that a more strategic approach, involving a broader-defined purpose and representation of diverse viewpoints from various communities, organizations, and stakeholder groups,

would benefit board members. Reducing the "silo effect" of these advisory councils is crucial for Nevada to enhance the efficiency and impact of its boards and commissions. Addressing this issue could lead to more cohesive and effective decision-making processes within the state's executive branch.

FINDING 8: INCONSISTENT AND INEFFECTIVE LICENSING STANDARDS

The requirements for licenses and certifications across many of Nevada's occupations are inconsistent, ineffective, and unequal. Each occupational and licensing board in the state operates under its own statutes and regulations, resulting in a fragmented and confusing process for consumers. This lack of standardization has led to significant disparities in how professions are regulated, creating barriers for those seeking licensure.

During the 2023 Legislative Session, Senate Bill 431 established the Office of Nevada Boards, Commissions and Councils Standards ("Office") within the Department. This Office is tasked with overseeing all professional and occupational licensing boards created by the Legislature, to the extent permitted by the Nevada Constitution and federal law. Consolidating these functions under one department presents a unique opportunity to address and rectify the weaknesses in Nevada's approach to occupational and professional licensure.

According to a 2023 study, Nevada ranks as having the country's second worst regulatory environment for low-income occupations. This ranking is based on the number of low-income occupations that are licensed and the overall burden created by licensure requirements such as education, experience, exams, and fees. The establishment of the Office is a critical step toward improving the occupational licensing process and making it more equitable and efficient.

POLICY REFORM RECOMMENDATIONS

RECOMMENDATION 1: CONDUCT REGULAR REVIEWS AND ESTABLISH SUNSET CLAUSES FOR BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

All advisory boards and commissions should undergo regular reviews on a rolling basis, with a sunset clause unless reauthorized through this process. Boards under review must justify their continued existence by demonstrating their necessity instead of passively continuing to operate at the public's expense. These reviews should assess each board's usefulness, performance and efficacy, including an analysis of the costs associated with its existence and the agency staff time required to support its activities. The evaluation should also consider whether the board should be abolished, merged with another entity, or if its duties and responsibilities should be reconsidered. Additionally, the board's effectiveness, the relevance of the information it provides for legislative policy changes, and whether its recommendations influence departmental decision-making should be examined. The board's contributions should be assessed in relation to the current issues and challenges faced by the departments.

RECOMMENDATION 2: ESTABLISH TERM LIMITS AND CRITERIA FOR NEW BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

For occupational and licensing boards, members should serve four-year terms with a limit of two terms. For executive branch department bodies, members should serve two-year terms, also with a two-term limit. Boards and commissions housed within state departments should report to the department director, who will convene them as needed, assign special tasks, and determine whether they should continue or dissolve upon task completion. If necessary, these boards may be extended to take on new tasks. The department director should also assist with member appointments, operating guidelines, and other operational requirements for these boards and commissions. As newly appointed individuals become ready to serve, training of board and commission members can be accomplished through the centralized office.

Additionally, Nevada needs to strengthen its legislative process when creating new boards within the executive branch departments by establishing and adhering to criteria for the creation of new boards and commissions and including a dissolution date not exceeding two years from their establishment, unless extended by the legislature or renewed by the department director. To ensure effectiveness, state law should clearly state that if a board or commission is not recommended for continuation by the reviewing entity, it should be repealed.

RECOMMENDATION 3: PERMIT BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS TO CONVENE ONLY WHEN NECESSARY

The advisory bodies shall convene meetings only as necessary to fulfill their statutory obligations and to address matters requiring board action. Meetings can be called by the chair or upon the written

request of a simple majority of members. Regular meetings, as currently required by statute, should be eliminated.

This amendment allows for greater flexibility in scheduling board and commission meetings, ensuring that they convene only when there is substantial need. It reduces unnecessary meetings and allows the boards and commissions to focus resources on addressing critical issues. This change also aims to enhance efficiency and responsiveness in the operations of boards and commissions within the State of Nevada.

Nevadans from across the state sit on the various boards and commissions. Often, the state covers the costs for members to attend meetings, whether in person or virtually. It would be more efficient for the state to fund these meetings on an as-needed basis rather than solely based on statutory requirements. Reducing the frequency of meetings could enhance member engagement and lead to more effective decision-making and outcomes.

Advisory council members may be eligible for reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses incurred while performing their duties, subject to the availability of funds. Additionally, regulatory and licensing members who dedicate multiple hours or days preparing for their meetings may receive compensation of \$150 per day, and the General Services Administration rate for per diem if the board or commission's budget allows.

RECOMMENDATION 4: CENTRALIZE THE ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS OF THE OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING BOARDS

The Department is a fee-based department comprised of 11 regulatory agencies with only 1.3 percent of its \$700 million budget derived from the general fund. The statutory authorities granted to the Department along with its cost allocated budget philosophy provide a road map for administrative board restructuring. Note that any exempted board may possibly seek contracts for certain administrative services.

The Director of the Department is an appointed member of the Governor's cabinet with administrative authority over the functions of regulatory agencies within the Department to include budgeting, accounting, planning, program development, personnel, information services, dispute resolution, travel, workplace safety, acceptance of gifts or donations, management of records, coordination in adopting and enforcing regulations, executing agreements, purchasing goods, services or equipment, preparing legislative requests, and leasing or using office space. While the Director is granted administrative and coordinating authority, the agencies function as independent entities under the Department umbrella.

Senate Bill 431 authorized the centralization of administrative functions for Nevada's occupational

licensing boards under the authority of the Director's Office. This proposed structure aims to eliminate redundancies, reduce costs for licensees, ensure consistent operations across all occupational licensing and advisory boards, minimize antitrust risks through proper supervision, and enable board members to focus on critical tasks. Through this reorganization, the Department will standardize processes related to board audits, compliance with the Nevada Revised Statutes, Nevada Administrative Code, and open meeting laws, as well as develop a single integrated website, thereby decreasing the state's liability. Preliminary estimates suggest that this consolidation could reduce costs to licensees by approximately 50%.

Centralized Website

Having a single, centralized website for boards and commissions within the State of Nevada offers several advantages. A unified platform streamlines navigation, making it easier for users to access information about various boards and commissions without needing to visit multiple sites. It ensures consistent design and functionality across all boards and commissions, enhancing the overall user experience and minimizing confusion. Additionally, a single site improves transparency by providing a comprehensive view of all boards and commissions, including meeting schedules, minutes, and member information in one location. Currently meeting notices on notice.nv.gov expire from the site after a given meeting and require users to know exactly which board or commission they are searching for in the first place to find information. The three-day posting requirement for meetings is insufficient to address public participation and a consolidated website could provide more information than limited meeting notices required by law can provide. Consolidating multiple sites can also reduce costs related to website maintenance, hosting, and development. Moreover, a unified website facilitates better communication between boards and the public by centralizing contact information and updates and minimizing conflicting meetings.

Centralizing Staff

We recommend centralizing the operations of all boards and commissions under a single office. This approach will ensure uniform application of policies, procedures, and standards, thereby enhancing operational consistency across the board. By consolidating roles and administrative functions, this model will reduce duplication and administrative overhead, leading to significant cost savings in salaries, benefits, and office resources.

A unified office can offer specialized support services, such as IT support, specialized legal counsel, human resources, and fiscal support, which smaller boards may lack the capacity to provide independently. For example, in a smaller board outside contractors are needed to even conduct workplace investigations, resulting in greater costs. Centralized staffing will facilitate better oversight and accountability, ensuring adherence to established standards and regulations. Additionally, this structure allows for more strategic resource allocation, optimizing staff time and effort across various boards and commissions.

Centralizing administrative functions like payroll and benefits will alleviate the administrative burden on the boards, enabling them to focus more effectively on their core responsibilities. Most importantly, moving the fiscal operations of these bodies into the state's system as well as requiring that funds go through the State Treasurer's office instead of disparate accounting approaches that have even legislative auditors forced to request bank statements from board members, will also increase transparency.

This consolidation will standardize the licensing process across all boards, addressing existing disparities and strengthening Nevada's overall occupational licensing framework. To ensure a smooth transition, it is recommended that this consolidation occur in phases, with boards being integrated into the new Office on a staggered quarterly basis. This phased approach will allow for careful management of the transition, minimizing disruptions and ensuring that the benefits of centralization are fully realized.

Procurement, Contracting, and Public Records

Currently licensing boards do not follow all procurement and contracting requirements in NRS 333, NAC 333, NRS 334 and the State Administrative Manual. This results in a lack of transparency regarding board spending and decisions relating to contract valuation and vendors. For example, some licensing boards allow contracted vendors to charge fees to users separate and apart from their statutorily or regulatorily authorized fees. Others do not engage in appropriate competition for services and even pay vendors without approved contracts via the State Board of Examiners. Many licensing boards operate as if their funds from licensee fees are not subject to the same restrictions as executive branch agency spending. Further, many licensing boards contract with their executive directors with assurances associated with employment which are costly instead of having them serve in an unclassified capacity. Board staff even support retreats, meals, and other expenses for themselves and board members using licensing revenue without scrutiny over the nature of those expenditures.

Attorneys

Given the Office's specialized knowledge of the regulatory landscape, board operations, and compliance issues, it is also recommended that the Office take a leading role in providing general counsel for the public bodies. In-house attorneys have or develop a deep understanding of the specific needs, processes, and nuances of the boards and commissions they serve, allowing for more tailored and efficient legal advice. Utilizing in-house attorneys is more cost-effective over time as they are salaried employees and can address ongoing legal matters without additional fees. They are readily available, providing timely legal support and advice as issues arise, which can be crucial for quick decision-making and compliance. Their services are not motivated by billable hour requirements or high per hour fees but by public service. They ensure consistency in legal advice and documentation, which helps maintain uniformity in how legal matters are handled across the boards and commissions. The Office will retain the authority to hire outside counsel under in-house counsel supervi-

sion, ensuring that any external legal support is managed centrally and strategically. All of the foregoing will be compliant with NRS 228.110 which mandates that representation of agencies be provided by the Office of the Attorney General as in-house attorneys will provide specialized advice related to licensing and regulation but not subsume the role of agency counsel. Currently it is a challenge to obtain more than open meeting law and disciplinary hearing support from the Office of the Attorney General and boards have been retaining their own counsel who often take positions loyal to board staff and leadership instead of to the state. By having a designated office handle the hiring of outside counsel it maintains oversight, coordination, and consistency in legal representation across various boards and commissions.

Contested Case Hearings and Disciplinary Matters

To address the challenges faced by licensing boards in finding prospective members who can commit to lengthy disciplinary hearings, we recommend implementing structured services of administrative law judges to handle these cases instead of board members attempting to conduct hearings with their own staff having investigated matters, internal counsel often prosecuting, their board sitting in judgment, and their Deputy Attorney General advising the board chair as to evidentiary and other matters. Currently, some boards spend two to three days or more on hearings during board meetings, with members themselves sometimes responsible for administering discipline and fines of their colleagues. Utilizing administrative law judges would streamline the hearing process, reducing the burden on board members and ensuring a more independent, efficient and legal review of disciplinary matters as well as allowing licensees to have their case receive independent consideration.

Board Membership

Licensing boards typically require that a certain percentage of their members hold a license regulated by the board. However, when a board oversees multiple license types, it is generally not necessary to have representation from holders of less advanced licenses. Individuals with more advanced licenses are typically well-equipped to regulate all licensees and ensure public protection.

Bill Draft Requests

All legislative bill draft requests submitted by any public entity will undergo vetting through the Office to ensure compliance with established criteria. This review process guarantees that proposed bills meet all legal, operational, and financial requirements. Additionally, it ensures that the proposals are not redundant, align with statutory regulations, address stakeholder concerns, and are designed to be cost-effective and efficient. The vetting process aims to uphold high standards of accountability, transparency, and effective governance.

RECOMMENDATION 5: CONSOLIDATE, MERGE, AND ELIMINATE BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS TO BETTER SERVE THE CITIZENS OF NEVADA

NO CHANGE to the following boards as currently titled, but subject to certain centralization and other changes referenced across recommendations:

1. Certified Court Reporters Board of Nevada
2. Commission on Postsecondary Education
3. Private Investigators Licensing Board
4. The Dental Board
5. The Nevada Board of Funeral and Cemetery Services
6. The Nevada State Board of Accountancy Board
7. The Nevada State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners
8. The State Barbers Health and Sanitation Board
9. The State Board of Cosmetology
10. The State Board of Nursing Board
11. The State Board of Pharmacy
12. The State Contractors Board

MERGE/CONSOLIDATE the following boards:

THE NEVADA BOARD OF REHABILITATIVE PRACTICE AND THERAPY

The four boards set forth below consisting of 22 total members should be consolidated into a 11-member board focusing on therapy and rehabilitation. The board membership would consist of two licensed physical therapists, one licensed physical therapist assistant, two licensed occupational therapists, two licensed athletic trainers with five years experience working as an athletic trainer or five years experience teaching or conducting research concerning the practice of athletic trainers, one licensed speech-language pathologist, one licensed audiologist, one hearing specialist, and one member of the general public who must not be related to or involved in any of the above practices and who must represent the interests of the general public. Nevadans would benefit from a collaborative forum in which related occupations can coordinate supervision of licensees. Over the past year, these boards investigated approximately 55 complaints.

- The Board of Athletic Trainers
- The Nevada Board of Physical Therapy
- The Speech-Language Pathology, Audiology and Hearing Aid Dispensing Board
- The Board of Occupational Therapy

THE NEVADA INTEGRATIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONS BOARD

The four boards identified below consisting of 28 total members should merge to form a 9 member board. The focus of the newly merged board would be to provide comprehensive and cohesive oversight of the professions. By integrating the regulation of these diverse but interconnected disci-

plines, they would work to promote collaboration among the professions while safeguarding the quality, safety, and accessibility of care provided to the public. The new board members would consist of the following: two licensed massage therapists, two licensed chiropractors, 2 members currently engage in the practice of oriental medicine in this State, two licensed podiatric physicians, and one general public member. Together, these boards investigated 145 complaints.

- The Board of Massage Therapy
- Chiropractic Physicians Board of Nevada
- The State Board of Oriental Medicine
- The State Board of Podiatry

THE NEVADA BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL DESIGN AND ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIALISTS

The four boards consisting of 28 total members should be consolidated into a 13-member board focusing on professional design and environment. The board membership would consist of one registered architect with at least three years of active practice in Nevada, two professional engineers who should be engaged in the practice or teaching of professional engineering, two environmental health specialists, two registered landscape architects, one registered interior designer, one registered residential designer, two land surveyors, one general public member not affiliated with any of the licensed professions and a chief medical officer or designated representative. Over the past year, these boards have investigated less than 20 total complaints.

- The State Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design
- The State Board of Landscape Architecture
- The State Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors
- The Board of Environmental Health Specialists

THE NEVADA BEHAVIORAL WELLNESS ALLIANCE BOARD

The five boards set forth below consisting of 33 total members should be consolidated into a 13-member board focusing on behavioral health and wellness throughout Nevada. The board membership would consist of one licensed behavior analyst or assistant behavior analyst, two licensed marriage and family therapist, two licensed social workers, one licensed psychologist (this member could also be a faculty member from an accredited doctoral program or internship location to meet existing requirements), one licensed clinical alcohol and drug counselor or alcohol and drug counselor, one licensed clinical professional counselor, one licensed problem gambling counselor, one member of the general public who must not be affiliated with any of the licensed professions representing the public interest, one member of the general public representing healthcare for indigent or uninsured persons, one member representing an academic or training institution and one licensed or certified member from any of the represented fields. Over the past year, these boards have investigated 73 complaints.

- The Board of Applied Behavior Analysis
- The Board of Examiners for Marriage and Family Therapists and Clinical Professional Counselors
- The Board of Examiners for Social Workers

- The Board of Psychological Examiners
- Board of Examiners for Alcohol, Drug and Gambling Counselors

THE NEVADA MEDICAL BOARD

The two boards identified below consisting of 18 total members should merge to make an 9-member board. Fourteen other states have a combined Medical Board for medical doctors and Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine, making the single entity more efficient with regulatory oversight. The new board members would consist of the following: three licensed medical doctors, three licensed osteopathic doctors, one licensed physician assistant, one licensed respiratory care practitioner and one member of the general public not related to a person licensed to practice any healing art and not involved in the administration of any medical or dependent facility. Together, both boards investigated 632 complaints with 144 belonging to the State Board of Osteopathic Medicine.

- The Board of Medical Examiners
- The State Board of Osteopathic Medicine

THE NEVADA OPTOMETRY AND DISPENSING OPTICIANS BOARD

The two boards identified below consisting of nine total members should merge to form an 5-member board. The new board would center on regulating the professions of optometry and ophthalmic dispensing in a unified, efficient, and equitable manner. By combining expertise from both fields, the board would prioritize establishing impartiality, and ensuring high-quality, safe and accessible eye care services for the public. With balanced representation of professionals and a general public member, the board would aim to foster collaboration between the professions, uphold public trust and maintain a consumer-centered approach in all regulatory activities. The new board members would consist of the following: two licensed optometrists, two licensed ophthalmic dispensers (opticians), and one general public member who is not licensed in any of these professions overseen by the board and must not be related to anyone who is. Together, these boards had less than 15 complaints.

- The Nevada State Board of Optometry
- The State Board of Dispensing Opticians

TOTAL BOARDS REVIEWED AND OUTCOMES

Title 54 Occupational and Licensing Boards (37 entities reviewed):

- 37 reduced to 19
- Merged: 20 into 6
- Eliminated: 3
- Reduced Appointments: 249 to 148

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**APPENDIX A:
EXEMPTED BOARDS**

EXEMPTED BOARDS: EXECUTIVE BRANCH, NO CHANGES RECOMMENDED

Advisory Board on Maternal and Child Health
Advisory Committee on Control of Emissions from Motor Vehicles
Advisory Committee on Housing
Advisory Committee on Problem Gambling
Advisory Committee on Traffic Safety
Advisory Council on Graduate Medical Education
Advisory Council on Mortgage Investment and Mortgage Lending
Appeals Panel for Industrial Insurance
Appraisal Advisory Review Committee
Appraiser's Certification Board
Assistive Technology Council
Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board
Board for Financing Water Projects
Board for the Education and Counseling of Displaced Homemakers
Board of Directors of the Nevada State Infrastructure Bank
Board of Examiners for Long-Term Care Facility Administrators
Board of Nevada Arts Council
Board of Parole Commissioners
Board of Search and Rescue
Board of Wildlife Commissioners
California-Nevada Super Speed Ground Transportation Commission
Commission for Common-Interest Communities and Condominium Hotels
Commission of Appraisers of Real Estate
Commission on Nuclear Projects
Commissioner's Network Adequacy Advisory Council
Committee on Testing for Intoxication
Committee to Administer the Public Employees' Deferred Compensation Program
Committee to Oversee the Charter School Audit List
Committee to Review Suicide Fatalities
Diapering Resource Committee
Drug Use Review Board
Early Intervention Interagency Coordinating Council - Federal
Electronic Health Information Advisory Group
Emergency Medical Services for Children
Environmental Protection, Board to Review Claims
Executive Committee to Review the Death of Children
Government Employee-Management Relations Board
Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities - Federal
Health Care Workforce Working Group
Healthcare Associated Infection Task Force

Home Care Employment Standards Board
Human Trafficking Coalition
Indigent Defense Services
Industrial Relations Advisory Council
Information Technology Advisory Board
Interstate Commission for Adult Offender Supervision
Interstate Mutual Aid Committee
Junior Livestock Show Board
Maternal Mortality Review Committee
Medical Care Advisory Committee
Nevada Advisory Council on Federal Assistance
Nevada Committee of Vendors Who are Blind
Nevada Indian Commission
Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association
Nevada Lifespan Respite Care Coalition
Nevada Local Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council
Nevada Office of Minority Health and Equity Advisory Committee
Nevada Sentencing Commission
Nevada State Council for Interstate Juvenile Supervision
Nevada State Rehabilitation Council
Nevada Tahoe Regional Planning Agency
Northern Nevada Veterans Memorial Cemetery Advisory Committee
Oversight Panel for Convention Facilities
Patient Protection Commission - Exempt
Peace Officers' Standards and Training Commission (POST)
Predatory Animal and Rodent Control Committee
Primary Care Advisory Council
Private Activity Bond Council
Psychedelic Medicines Working Group
Public Works Board
Real Estate Commission
Regional Transmission Task Force
Sagebrush Ecosystem Council
Silver State Health Insurance Exchange Board
Silver State Scripts Board
Southern Nevada Veterans Memorial Cemetery Advisory Committee
Special Education Advisory Committee Member Information
State Board of Equalization
State Board of Fire Services
State Conservation Commission

State Council on Libraries and Literacy
State Disaster Identification Coordination
State Emergency Response Commission
State Land Use Planning Advisory Council
State Public Charter School Authority
Statewide Independent Living Council
Subcommittee on Misdemeanors of the Sentencing
Subcommittee on Patient-Centered Medical Homes
Tax Commission
Vulnerable Audit Fatality Review
Weatherization Assistance Program
Well Drillers' Advisory Board
Women Veterans Advisory Committee

APPENDIX B:
NEVADA BOARD ESTABLISHMENT 1899-2023

Occupational and Licensing Board	Year
Medical Examiners, The Board of	1899
Pharmacy, The State Board of	1901
Funeral and Cemetery Services Board, The Nevada	1909
Accountancy, The Nevada State Board of	1913
Optometry, The Nevada State Board of	1913
Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors, The State Board of	1919
Veterinary Medical Examiners, The Nevada State Board of	1919
Nursing, The State Board of	1923
Chiropractic Physicians' Board of Nevada, The	1923
Osteopathic Medicine, The State Board of	1925
Barbers Health and Sanitation Board, The State	1929
Cosmetology, The State Board of	1931
Contractors Board, The State	1941
Podiatry, The State Board of	1949
Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design, The State Board of	1949; 1975 Residential De- signed combined; 1995 Inte- rior Design added
Dental Examiners of Nevada, The Board of	1951
Dispensing Opticians, The Board of	1951
Physical Therapy Board, The Nevada	1957
Psychological Examiners, The Board of	1963
Private Investigator's Licensing Board, The	1967
Marriage and Family Therapists and Clinical Professional Counselors, The Board of Examiners for	1973
Oriental Medicine, The State Board of	1973
Certified Court Reporters Board of Nevada, The	1973
Landscape Architecture, The State Board of	1975
Postsecondary Education, The Commission on	1975
Homeopathic Medical Examiners, The Nevada Board of	1983
Environmental Health Specialist, The Board of	1987; voluntary registration 2007; mandatory registration
Social Workers, The Board of Examiners for	1987
Occupational Therapy, The Board of	1991
Alcohol, Drug and Gambling Counselors, The Board of Examiners for	2000
Commission on Construction Education, The	2001
Athletic Trainers, The Board of	2003; 2005 added licensure
Massage Therapy, The Board of	2005
Speech-Language Pathology, Audiology and Hearing Aid Dispensing Board, The	2015; 1972 merged with Board of Examiners for Hear- ing Aid Specialists ;1979 merged with the Board of Examiners for Audiology and Speech Pathology
Applied Behavior Analysis, The Board of	2021

Boards, Commissions, Advisory Councils	Year
Nevada Tax Commission	1913
Nevada State Board of Agriculture	1915
Board of Health	1919
State Board of Equalization (SBE)	1929
State Conservation Commission	1937
Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners	1947
Real Estate Commission	1949
Employment Security Council; Board of Review	1951
State Public Works Board	1953
Well Drillers' Advisory Board	1955
Nevada Committee of Blind Vendors (NCBV)	1959
Human Resources Commission (formerly Personnel Commission)	1963
State Council on Libraries and Literacy	1965
Nevada Arts Council Board	1967
Comstock Historic District Commission	1967
Medical Laboratory Advisory Committee (MLAC)	1967
Merit Award Board	1967
Government Employee-Management Relations Board	1969
Taxicab Authority	1969
State Board of Education	1971
Commissioner's Advisory Committee on Health Care and Insurance	1971
Commissioner's Property and Casualty Advisory Committee	1971
State Land Use Planning Advisory Council	1973
Nevada Tahoe Regional Planning Agency	1973
State Environmental Commission (SEC)	1973
Occupational Safety and Health Review Board	1973
Commission on Postsecondary Education	1975
Medicaid Reinvestment Advisory Committee (MRAC)	1975
Nevada State Rehabilitation Council (NSRC)	1975
Appraiser Certification Board	1975
Veterans Service Commission	1975
The Nevada Public Employees' Deferred Compensation Committee	1976
State Land Use Planning Advisory Council - Executive Council	1977
Board of Museums and History	1979
Industrial Relations Advisory Council	1981
Nevada Commission on Tourism	1982
Commission on Aging	1983
Committee On Testing for Intoxication	1983
Board of Search and Rescue	1983
State Apprenticeship Council	1985
Board for Financing Water Projects	1987
Commission on Professional Standards in Education	1987
Commission on Behavioral Health	1989
Board for the Education and Counseling of Displaced Homemakers (DH)	1989
Advisory Board on Automotive Affairs	1989

Boards, Commissions, Advisory Councils	Year
Board to Review Claims (a.k.a. Nevada Petroleum Fund Board)	1989
Behavioral Health Planning and Advisory Council	1989
Nevada State Historical Records Advisory Board	1989
Commission of Appraisers of Real Estate	1989
Northern Nevada Memorial Cemetery Advisory Committee	1990
Nevada Commission for Women	1991
Nevada Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board	1991
Maternal and Child Health Advisory Board	1992
Commission for Cultural Centers and Historic Preservation	1993
Drug Utilization Review (DUR) Board	1993
State Records Committee	1993
Board of Museums and History	1994
The Children's Justice Act Task Force	1994
Board for Administration of Subsequent Injury Account for Self-Insured Employers	1995
Board for the Administration of the Subsequent Injury Fund for Associations of Self-Insured Public or Private Employers	1995
State Disaster Identification Coordinating Committee	1997
Nevada Transportation Authority	1997
Council to Establish Academic Content Standards	1999
Industrial Insurance Appeals Panel	1999
Advisory Council on Mortgage Investments and Mortgage Lending	1999
Nevada Children's Behavioral Health Consortium (NCBHC)	2000
Clark County Children's Mental Health Consortium	2001
Statewide Coordinating Council of the RPDP	2001
Committee on Local Government Finance (CLGF)	2001
Nevada State Council for Adult Offender Supervision	2001
Executive Committee to Review the Death of Children	2003
Homeland Security Commission, Committee on Finance	2003
Commission on Homeland Security	2003
Commission on Minority Affairs	2003
Commission for Common-Interest Communities and Condominium Hotels	2003
Common Interest Community Task Force	2003
IDEA Part C Office for Interagency Coordinating Council (ICC)	2004
Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Agency Advisory Board	2004
Assistive Technology Council	2004
NOMHE Advisory Committee	2005
The State Advisory Committee on Chronic Disease and Community Wellness	2005
Nevada Aviation Technical Advisory Committee	2005
Advisory Committee on Problem Gambling	2006
Primary Care Advisory Council	2008

Boards, Commissions, Advisory Councils	Year
Commission on Autism Spectrum Disorders	2008
Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council (ECAC)	2009
Commission on Services for Persons with Disabilities	2009
State Council for the Coordination of the Interstate Compact on Education Opportunity for Military Children	2009
Advisory Committee on the State Program for Oral Health (AC4OH)	2009
Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles	2011
Advisory Council for Family Engagement	2011
Teachers and Leaders Council (TLC)	2011
Mining Oversight and Accountability Commission	2011
Nevada State Council for Interstate Juvenile Supervision	2012
Governor's Office of Economic Development (GOED)	2012
Interagency Council on Veterans Affairs	2012
Sagebrush Ecosystem Council	2013
Nevada State Parks and Cultural Resources Endowment Fund Committee	2013
Dietitian Advisory Group	2013
Committee to Review Suicide Fatalities	2013
Task Force on Alzheimer's Disease	2013
English Mastery Council	2013
Governor's Council on Food Security	2014
Governor's Workforce Development Board (GWDB)	2015
Healthcare Associated Infection (HAI) Program HAI Task Force	2015
Intrastate Mutual Aid System Committee	2015
Committee on Statewide School Safety	2015
Women's Veterans Advisory Committee	2015
The Nevada Coalition to Prevent the Sexual Exploitation of Children	2016
Nevada Children's Commission	2016
Battle Born Growth Escalator	2016
State Board Subcommittee on the Holocaust and Other Genocides	2016
Clark Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board	2017
Northern Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board	2017
Southern Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board	2017
Nevada Commission on Mentoring	2017
Advisory Council on Palliative Care and Quality of Life	2017
Southern Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board	2017
Committee to Review Child Support Guidelines	2017
Advisory Committee on Medicaid Innovation	2017
Washoe Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board	2017
Diapering Resources Committee	2017
Northern Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board	2017
Nevada Commission for Persons Who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing	2017

Boards, Commissions, Advisory Councils	Year
State Independent Living Council	2017
Rural Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board	2018
COSAL Committee	2018
United Veterans Legislative Council (UVLC)	2018
ABOR - Advisory Board on Outdoor Recreation	2019
Patient Protection Commission (PPC)	2019
Interagency Advisory Council on Homelessness to Housing (ICHH)	2019
Radiation Therapy and Radiologic Imaging Advisory Committee	2019
Silver State Scripts Board	2019
Rare Disease Advisory Council (RDAC)	2019
Nevada Resilience Advisory Committee	2019
Nevada Tribal Emergency Coordinating Council	2019
Nevada State Teacher and Education Support Professional Recruitment and Retention Advisory Task Force	2019
Commission on School Funding	2019
Northern Nevada State Veterans Home Independent Advisory Board	2019
Advisory Committee on Housing	2019
Credit Union Advisory Council	2019
Private Activity Bond Council	2019
Maternal Mortality Review Committee	2020
Regional Transmission Committee Task Force	2021
Kidney Disease Advisory Committee (KDAC) - Subcommittee for the State Advisory Committee on Community Wellness and Chronic Disease (CWCD)	2021
Advisory Committee for a Resilient Nevada (ACRN)	2021
Medicaid Reinvestment Advisory Committee (MRAC)	2021
Nevada Advisory Committee on Traffic Safety	2021
Health Care Workforce Working Group	2022
Cybersecurity Task Force	2022
Vulnerable Adult Fatality Review Committee	2023
Nevada Human Trafficking Coalition	2023
Naprapathic Practice Advisory Board	2023
Committee on the Safety and Well-Being of Public School Staff (AB72)	2023
Committee on Response to Power Based Violence in Schools (AB245)	2023
Psychedelic Medicines Working Group	2023
Air Service Development Commission	2023
Commission on Innovation and Excellence in Education	2023
Electronic Health Information Advisory Group	2024

**APPENDIX C:
STATE OF NEVADA BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

TITLE 54 OCCUPATIONAL AND LICENSING BOARDS

TITLE 54 OCCUPATIONAL AND LICENSING BOARDS

1. The Nevada State Board of Accountancy
2. Board of Examiners for Alcohol, Drug and Gambling Counselors
3. The Board of Applied Behavioral Analysis
4. The State Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design
5. The Board of Athletic Trainers
6. The State Barbers Health and Sanitation Board
7. Certified Court Reporters' Board of Nevada
8. Chiropractic Physicians Board of Nevada
9. The Commission on Construction Education
10. The State Contractors Board
11. The State Board of Cosmetology
12. The Board of Dental Examiners of Nevada
13. The Committee on Dental Hygiene and Dental Therapy
14. The Board of Dispensing Opticians
15. The Board of Environmental Health Specialists
16. The Nevada Funeral and Cemetery Services Board
17. The Nevada Board of Homeopathic Medical Examiners
18. The State Board of Landscape Architecture
19. The Board of Examiners for Marriage and Family Therapist and Clinical Professional Counselors
20. The Board of Massage Therapy
21. The Board of Medical Examiners
22. The State Board of Nursing
23. The Advisory Committee on Nursing Assistants and Medication Aides
24. The Board of Occupational Therapy
25. The Nevada State Board of Optometry
26. The State Board of Oriental Medicine
27. The State Board of Osteopathic Medicine
28. The State Board of Pharmacy
29. The Nevada Physical Therapy Board
30. The State Board of Podiatry
31. The Commission on Postsecondary Education
32. The State Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors
33. The Board of Psychological Examiners
34. Private Investigators Licensing Board
35. The Board of Examiners for Social Workers
36. Speech-Language Pathology, Audiology, and Hearing Aid Dispensing Board
37. The Nevada State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners

EXECUTIVE BRANCH BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

1. Commission for Women
2. Committee on Catastrophic Leave
3. Deferred Compensation Committee
4. Employee-Management Committee
5. State Historical Records Advisory Board
6. Libraries and Literacy Council
7. Merit Award Board
8. Human Resource Commission (Personnel Commission)
9. Public Works Board
10. Committee to Approve Schedules for the Retention and Disposition of Official State Records (State Records Committee)

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

1. Board of Agriculture
2. Junior Livestock Show Board

DIVISION APPOINTED

1. Predatory Animal and Rodent Control Committee

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY

1. Board for Administration of Subsequent Injury Account for Self-Insured Employers
2. Board for the Administration of the Subsequent Injury Fund for Associations of Self-Insured Public or Private Employers
3. Commission of Appraisers of Real Estate
4. Commission for Common-Interest Communities and Condominium Hotels
5. Credit Union Advisory Council
6. Government Employee-Management Relations Board
7. Industrial Insurance Appeals Panel
8. Industrial Relations Advisory Council
9. Nevada Transportation Authority
10. Occupational Safety and Health Review Board
11. Real Estate Commission
12. State Apprenticeship Council
13. Taxicab Authority

DIRECTOR APPOINTED

1. Private Activity Bond Council
2. Common Interest Community Task Force
3. Advisory Committee on Housing

DIVISION APPOINTED

1. Appraisal Advisory Review Committee
2. Commissioner's Property & Casualty Advisory Committee
3. Commissioner's Network Adequacy Advisory Council
4. Commissioner's Life and Health Advisory Committee
5. Advisory Council on Mortgage Investments and Mortgage Lending
6. Commission on Minority Affairs
7. Commissioner's Producers & Brokers Insurance Advisory Committee
8. Commissioner's Title Insurance Advisory Committee
9. Weatherization Assistance Program

DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES

1. Advisory Board on Outdoor Recreation
2. Board for Financing Water Projects
3. Commission for Cultural Centers and Historic Preservation
4. Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles
5. Comstock Historic District Commission
6. Environmental Protection, Board to Review Claims
7. Sagebrush Ecosystem Council
8. State Land Use Planning Advisory Council
9. State Conservation Commission
10. State Environmental Commission

DIVISION APPOINTED

1. Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances Working Group
2. State Land Use Planning Advisory Council – Executive Council
3. Well Drillers' Advisory Board

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

1. Advisory Committee on the Safety and Well-Being of Public School Staff
2. Board of Education
3. Commission on Innovation and Excellence in Education
4. Commission on Professional Standards in Education
5. Commission on School Funding
6. Committee on Statewide School Safety
7. Council for Establishment of Academic Standards for Public Schools
8. Nevada Advisory Commission on Mentoring
9. State Council for the Coordination of the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children
10. Statewide Council for the Coordination of the Regional Training Programs

11. Teachers and Leaders Advisory Council

DIVISION APPOINTED

1. Advisory Council for Family Engagement
2. Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association
3. Nevada State Teacher and Education Support Professional Recruitment and Retention Advisory Task Force
4. State Financial Literacy Advisory Council (effective through June 30, 2028)
5. Committee to Oversee the Charter School Audit List
6. Committee on Responses to Power Based Violence in Schools
7. Special Education Advisory Committee Member Information
8. Advisory Committee on Language Development for Children Who Are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Blind or Visually Impaired

DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

DIVISION APPOINTED

1. Board of Search and Rescue
2. Interstate Mutual Aid Committee
3. State Disaster Identification Coordination

DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING AND REHABILITATION

1. Board for the Education and Counseling of Displaced Homemakers
2. Employment Security Council
3. Equal Rights Commission
4. Nevada State Rehabilitation Council

DIVISION APPOINTED

1. Nevada Committee of Vendors Who are Blind

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

1. Advisory Committee on Problem Gambling
2. Behavioral Health Planning and Advisory Council
3. Board of Examiners for Long-Term Care Facility Administrators
4. Board of Health
5. Clark Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board
6. Commission on Aging
7. Commission on Autism Spectrum Disorder
8. Commission on Behavioral Health
9. Council on Food Security
10. Early Childhood Advisory Council

11. Early Intervention Interagency Coordinating Council
12. Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities
13. Interagency Advisory Council on Homelessness to Housing
14. Juvenile Justice Oversight Commission
15. Naprapathic Practice Advisory Board
16. Nevada Commission for Persons Who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing or Speech Impaired
17. Nevada State Council for Interstate Juvenile Supervision
18. Northern Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board
19. Patient Protection Commission
20. Psychedelic Medicines Working Group
21. Radiation Therapy and Radiologic Imaging Advisory Committee
22. Rural Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board
23. Southern Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board
24. Statewide Independent Living Council
25. Washoe Regional Behavioral Health Policy Board

DIRECTOR APPOINTED

1. Advisory Committee for Resilient Nevada
2. Advisory Committee on Medicaid Innovation
3. Assistive Technology Council
4. Committee to Review Suicide Fatalities
5. Diapering Resource Committee
6. Dietitian Advisory Group
7. Drug Use Review Board
8. Electronic Health Information Advisory Group
9. Grants Management Advisory Committee
10. Health Care Workforce Working Group
11. Home Care Employment Standards Board
12. Maternal and Child Health Advisory Board
13. Maternal Mortality Review Committee
14. Medical Care Advisory Committee
15. Nevada Commission on Services for Persons with Disabilities
16. Nevada Office of Minority Health and Equity Advisory Council
17. Rare Disease Advisory Council
18. Silver State Scripts Board
19. State of Nevada Advisory Council on Palliative Care and Quality of Life
20. Task Force on Alzheimer's Disease
21. Vulnerable Audit Fatality Review Committee

DIVISION APPOINTED

1. Advisory Committee on the State Program for Oral Health Advisory Council on the State Program for Wellness and the Prevention of Chronic Disease

2. Advisory Board on Maternal and Child Health
3. Children's Justice Act
4. Clark County Children's Mental Health Consortium
5. Committee on Emergency Medical Services
6. Emergency Medical Services for Children
7. Executive Committee to Review the Death of Children
8. Healthcare Associated Infection Task Force
9. Human Trafficking Coalition
10. Kidney Disease Advisory Council
11. Medicaid Reinvestment Advisory Committee
12. Medical Laboratory Advisory Committee
13. Nevada Children's Behavioral Health Consortium
14. Nevada Lifespan Respite Care Coalition
15. Primary Care Advisory Council
16. Rural Children's Mental Health Consortium
17. Subcommittee on Patient-Centered Medical Homes
18. Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Agency Advisory Board
19. The Committee to Review Child Support Guidelines
20. The Nevada Coalition to Prevent the Sexual Exploitation of Children
21. Washoe County Children's Mental Health Consortium

DEPARTMENT OF INDIGENT DEFENSE SERVICES

1. Indigent Defense Services

DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

1. Automotive Affairs Advisory Board

DIVISION APPOINTED

1. Advisory Committee on Control of Emissions from Motor Vehicles

DEPARTMENT OF NATIVE AMERICAN AFFAIRS

1. Nevada Indian Commission

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

1. Board of Parole Commissioners
2. Council for Interstate Adult Offender Supervision
3. State Board of Fire Services
4. State Emergency Response Commission

DIRECTOR APPOINTED

1. Committee on Testing for Intoxication

DIVISION APPOINTED

1. Nevada Threat Analysis Center Advisory Committee

DEPARTMENT OF SENTENCING POLICY

1. Nevada Sentencing Commission

DIVISION APPOINTMENT

1. Nevada Local Justice Reinvestment Coordinating Council
2. Subcommittee on Misdemeanors of the Sentencing Commission

DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION

1. Board of Equalization
2. Mining Oversight and Accountability Commission
3. Tax Commission

DIVISION APPOINTED

1. Appraiser Certification Board
2. Committee on Local Government Finance

DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

1. Commission on Tourism
2. Nevada Arts Council Board
3. Museums and History Advisory Board

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

1. Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board
2. Board of Directors of the Nevada State Infrastructure Bank

DIRECTOR APPOINTED

1. Advisory Committee on Traffic Safety

DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN SERVICES

1. Interagency Council on Veteran Affairs
2. Nevada Veterans Services Commission
3. Northern Nevada Veterans Cemetery Advisory Committee
4. Southern Nevada Veterans Cemetery Advisory Committee
5. Women Veterans Advisory Committee

DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE

1. Board of Wildlife Commissioners

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

1. Air Service Development Commission

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF ENERGY

1. Regional Transmission Task Force

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF FEDERAL ASSISTANCE

1. Nevada Advisory Council on Federal Assistance

NEVADA HEALTH LINK

1. Silver State Health Insurance Exchange Board

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER

1. Information Technology Advisory Board

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

1. Commission on Nuclear Projects
2. Selection Committee to the Nevada Awards and Honors Board
3. The Nevada Awards and Honors Project

OFFICE OF SCIENCE, INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY

1. Advisory Council on Graduate Medical Education

PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL AUTHORITY

1. State Public Charter School Authority

NO DEPARTMENT CONNECTION

1. California-Nevada Super Speed Ground Transportation Commission
2. Oversight Panel for Convention Facilities

EXEMPT BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

1. Advisory Council for Prosecuting Attorneys
2. Committee for the Statewide Alert System

DIVISION APPOINTED

1. Committee on Domestic Violence
2. Advisory Committee on Rights of Survivors of Sexual Assault
3. Statewide Substance Use Response Working Group

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

1. Keep Nevada Working Task Force

SECRETARY OF STATE

DIVISION APPOINTED

1. Advisory Committee on Participatory Democracy
2. Committee to Approve Schedules for the Retention and Disposal of Official State Records
3. Task Force of Safe Sidewalk Vending

STATE TREASURER

1. Board of Trustees of the College Savings Plans of Nevada
2. Nevada Capital Investment Corporation
3. Nevada Gift and Endowment Fund
4. Nevada State Parks and Cultural Resources Endowment Fund Committee

DIVISION APPOINTED

1. Board of Trustees for the Nevada Employee Savings Trust
2. Nevada Statewide Council on Financial Independence

NEVADA CONSTITUTION

1. Board of State Prison Commissioners
2. State Board of Examiners
3. State Board of Pardons Commissioners
4. Commission on Judicial Selection
5. Commission on Judicial Discipline

NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND BOARD OF REGENTS

1. Board of Regents of the University of Nevada
2. Nevada State Board of Geographic Names
3. State 4-H Camp Advisory Council
4. Task Force on Sexual Misconduct at Institutions of Higher Education

BOARDS AND STATUTORY BODIES

1. Advisory Board on Dream Tags
2. Attorney for Injured Workers
3. Board of Directors for the Department of Transportation
4. Board of Directors for Jobs for Nevada Graduates, Inc.

EXEMPT BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

5. Board of Public Employees' Benefits Program
6. Board of Trustees of the Fund for Hospital Care to Indigent Persons
7. Board of Economic Development
8. Board for the Regulation of Liquefied Petroleum Gas
9. Cannabis Advisory Commission
10. Cannabis Compliance Board
11. Commissioner's Producers & Brokers Insurance Advisory Committee
12. Cybersecurity Task Force
13. Department of Administration Appeals Officers and Special Appeals Officers
14. Education Commission of the States
15. Economic Forum
16. Executive Branch Audit Committee
17. Governor's Advisory Council on Education Relating to the Holocaust
18. Governor's Workforce Development Board
19. Home Means Nevada, Inc.
20. Nevada Athletic Commission
21. Nevada Clean Energy Fund
22. Nevada Commission on Homeland Security
23. Nevada Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association
24. Nevada Surplus Lines Association
25. Nevada Insurance Guaranty Association
26. Police and Firefighters' Retirement Funds Advisory Committee
27. Public Defender for the State
28. State Board of Finance
29. Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency-Commission
30. Truckee Meadows Regional Planning Agency-Governing Board
31. Children's Commission
32. Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Advisory Council
33. Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Forum
34. Colorado River Commission
35. Commission to Review the Compensation of Constitutional Officers, Legislators, Supreme Court Justices, Judges of the Court of Appeals, District Judges and Elected County Officers
36. Carson-Truckee Water Conservancy District
37. Commission on Mineral Resources
38. Commission to Study Governmental Purchasing
39. Southern Nevada Enterprise Community Board
40. Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition
41. Homeland Security Commission, Committee of Finance
42. Gaming Control Board
43. Gaming Policy Committee
44. P-20W Research Data System Advisory Committee
45. Peace Officers' Standards and Training Commission
46. Public Utilities Commission
47. Ethics Commission
48. Esports Technical Advisory Committee
49. Nevada Advisory Council on Financial Assistance
50. Nevada Aviation Technical Advisory Committee

EXEMPT BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

51. Nevada Battle Born Growth Escalator
52. Nevada Commission for the Reconstruction of the V&T Railway
53. Nevada Resilience Advisory Committee
54. Nevada State Parks and Cultural Resources Endowment Fund Committee
55. Nevada Tribal Emergency Coordinating Council
56. Nevada Volunteers
57. Public Employees' Retirement Board
58. Rocky Mountain Low-Level Radioactive Waste Board
59. Stadium Authority
60. Tahoe Regional Planning Agency
61. Tahoe Transportation District, Board of Directors
62. University School for Profoundly Gifted Pupils-Davidson Academy of Nevada
63. Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education
64. Western Interstate Nuclear Compact

**APPENDIX D:
INDIVIDUAL BOARD REFORM SUMMARIES**

THE NEVADA BOARD OF REHABILITATIVE PRACTICE AND THERAPY

Merge the following occupational boards:

- The Board of Athletic Trainers – NRS 640B.170
- The Nevada Board of Physical Therapy – NRS 640.030
- The Board of Occupational Therapy – NRS 640A.080
- Speech-Language Pathology, Audiology and Hearing Aid Dispensing Board– NRS 367B.100

These four boards, the Board of Athletic Trainers, the Nevada Board of Physical Therapy, the Board of Occupational Therapy, and the Speech-Language Pathology, Audiology and Hearing Aid Dispensing Board, share several commonalities based on their respective Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) and board duties:

KEY SIMILARITIES ACROSS THE BOARDS

1. **Regulation of Health Professions:** Each board is responsible for regulating a specific health profession within Nevada. They establish standards for practice, oversee licensure, and ensure that practitioners meet the necessary qualifications to provide safe and effective care.
2. **Licensing Authority:** These boards have the authority to issue, renew, and, if necessary, revoke licenses for professionals in their respective fields. They set the criteria for licensure, which may include educational requirements, examinations and continuing education mandates.
3. **Disciplinary Actions:** They are empowered to investigate complaints against practitioners and take disciplinary actions when violations of professional standards or ethical codes occur. This helps maintain the integrity of the profession and protects public health and safety.
4. **Public Protection Mandate:** A primary duty of each board is to protect the public by ensuring that practitioners adhere to established standards of practice and ethics. This includes setting regulations, monitoring compliance and addressing any breaches through appropriate disciplinary measures.
5. **Dry Needling:** In Nevada, the boards authorized to perform dry needling include the Board of Athletic Trainers, the Nevada Board of Physical Therapy and the Chiropractic Physicians Board. Each of these boards mandates that licensed practitioners complete rigorous, additional training in dry needling techniques, often requiring at least 150 hours of didactic education and a substantial in-person component, including practical examinations. These measures ensure that only professionals with verified competencies are allowed to perform dry needling, safeguarding patient safety and maintaining high standards within each profession. Merging these boards under a unified structure could enhance regulatory consistency, streamline training standards and facilitate cross-professional collaboration. Given that athletic trainers, physical therapists and chiropractors share similar requirements and perform dry needling within overlapping health domains, a merged board would benefit from shared resources and could establish uniform standards for dry needling practices. This alignment would not only improve regulatory efficiency but also strengthen Nevada's healthcare system by fostering

coordinated efforts in patient care, safety protocols and professional education across these interrelated fields.

NEW BOARD MAKE-UP (11 MEMBERS)

- **2 Licensed Physical Therapists:** 3,420 licensees and 16 complaints required an investigation.
- **1 Licensed Physical Therapist Assistant** in the State of Nevada
- **2 Licensed Occupational Therapists:** 1,810 licensees and 5 complaints required an investigation.
- **2 Licensed Athletic Trainers:** Must have 5 years experience or taught or conducted research concerning the practice of Athletic Trainers. 331 licensees and no complaints required an investigation.
- **1 Licensed Speech-Language Pathologist (SLP):** Representing the Speech-Language Pathology, Audiology & Hearing Aid Dispensing Board with 1,606 licensees and 6 complaints required an investigation. Each SLP should practice in a different setting (e.g., university, public school, hospital, or private practice) to maintain diversity in representation.
- **1 Licensed Audiologist:** Representing the same board. At least one of these members must be a dispensing audiologist who has practiced for at least three years preceding the appointment.
- **1 Hearing Aid Specialist:** Representing the Speech-Language Pathology, Audiology & Hearing Aid Dispensing Board. This member must have practiced, taught, or conducted research in the field for at least three years and cannot be a stakeholder in a manufacturer of hearing aids.
- **1 General Public Member:** Must not be related to or involved in any of the above practices; must represent the general interest of the public.

OTHER STATES

The structure of regulatory boards for Athletic Trainers, Physical Therapists, Occupational Therapists, and Speech-Language Pathology, Audiology, and Hearing Aid Dispensing varies by state.

A few states have moved toward consolidation, merging multiple professions under a single regulatory entity. For example:

- In **Georgia**, the licensing and oversight of physical therapists, athletic trainers, and other related professions are handled under unified systems within the state's Professional Licensing Boards Division. This centralization allows for better coordination and management of licensure and regulatory processes for multiple professions, such as chiropractic care, massage therapy, and occupational therapy.
- **Colorado** has a single Office of Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy. Colorado follows a similar approach, with its Department of Regulatory Agencies overseeing various health professions. These kinds of integrations help in ensuring uniform standards and facilitate collaboration between related health services, enhancing public safety and service quality across professions.
- **North Carolina** has a combined Board of Physical Therapy Examiners that also oversees athletic trainers. Similarly, in North Carolina, the Board of Physical Therapy Examiners oversees not just

physical therapists but also manages regulations that impact related professions. These boards function under the state government's regulatory framework, emphasizing integration to reduce administrative overhead.

- **California:** The Department of Consumer Affairs oversees various health-related boards, including those for physical therapy, occupational therapy, and chiropractic care.
- **Florida:** The Department of Health houses multiple boards, such as the Board of Massage Therapy, Board of Physical Therapy Practice, and Board of Chiropractic Medicine.
- **Texas:** The Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation manages several health profession boards, including those for massage therapy and athletic trainers.

CONCLUSION

Yes, the boards can be merged into one regulatory body, if there is careful planning to address the distinct needs of each profession, ensure representation and maintain high standards of practice and consumer protection. This approach could improve efficiency and reduce administrative burdens, while still allowing each profession to maintain its identity and standards within a unified structure.

JUSTIFICATION AND BALANCING CONSIDERATIONS

- **Maintaining Core Professional Expertise:** The board should include licensed professionals from all represented fields to ensure comprehensive oversight and expertise in all key areas.
- **Strengthening Public Representation:** Including multiple general public members helps maintain public trust and accountability, ensuring the board's decisions reflect community needs and perspectives.
- **Public and Community Representation:** Including a member who represents public interests maintains transparency, fairness, and accountability.

References:

[Georgia Secretary of State](https://sos.ga.gov/page/faq-georgia-state-board-physical-therapy) <https://sos.ga.gov/page/faq-georgia-state-board-physical-therapy>
[Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy](https://www.fsbpt.org/Free-Resources/Licensing-Authorities-Contact-Information) <https://www.fsbpt.org/Free-Resources/Licensing-Authorities-Contact-Information>

NEVADA INTEGRATIVE HEALTH PROFESSIONS BOARD

Merge the following occupational boards:

- The Board of Massage Therapy – NRS 640C.015
- Chiropractic Physicians Board of Nevada – NRS 634.020
- The State Board of Oriental Medicine – NRS 634A.030
- The State Board of Podiatry – NRS 635.020

These four boards, the Board of Massage Therapy, the Chiropractic Physicians' Board of Nevada, the State Board of Oriental Medicine, and the State Board of Podiatry share several commonalities based on their respective Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) and board duties:

KEY SIMILARITIES ACROSS THE BOARDS

1. **Regulation of Health Professions:** Each board is responsible for regulating a specific health profession within Nevada. They establish standards for practice, oversee licensure, and ensure that practitioners meet the necessary qualifications to provide safe and effective care.
2. **Licensing Authority:** These boards have the authority to issue, renew, and, if necessary, revoke licenses for professionals in their respective fields. They set the criteria for licensure, which may include educational requirements, examinations, and continuing education mandates.
3. **Disciplinary Actions:** They are empowered to investigate complaints against practitioners and take disciplinary actions when violations of professional standards or ethical codes occur. This helps maintain the integrity of the profession and protects public health and safety.
4. **Public Protection Mandate:** A primary duty of each board is to protect the public by ensuring that practitioners adhere to established standards of practice and ethics. This includes setting regulations, monitoring compliance, and addressing any breaches through appropriate disciplinary measures.

NEW BOARD MAKE-UP (9 MEMBERS):

2 Licensed Massage Therapists, 5,555 licensees and 103 complaints required an investigation.

2 Licensed Chiropractors, 1,164 licensees and 31 complaints required an investigation.

2 members currently engaged in the practice of Oriental medicine in this State: having engaged in the practice of Oriental medicine in the State at least 3 years preceding the appointment to the Board. 107 licensees and 1 complaint required an investigation.

2 Licensed Podiatric Physicians: Representing the State Board of Podiatry, with 214 active licensees and 10 complaints required an investigation.

1 General Public Member: Must not be related to or involved in any of the above practices; must represent the general interest of the public.

OTHER STATES:

The structure of regulatory boards for **Massage Therapists, Podiatry, Chiropractors, and Ori-**

ental Medicine varies by state.

A few states have moved toward consolidation, merging multiple professions under a single regulatory entity. For example:

- **Florida:** The Department of Health houses multiple boards, such as the Board of Massage Therapy, Board of Physical Therapy Practice, and Board of Chiropractic Medicine.
- **Texas:** The Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation manages several health profession boards, including those for massage therapy and athletic trainers.
- **Virginia:** the Board of Medicine oversees multiple professions, including medicine, chiropractic, and podiatry.
- **Other states** have chosen to incorporate acupuncture regulations within existing medical or health-related boards. This approach can streamline administrative processes and foster interdisciplinary collaboration. For instance, in some states, acupuncture is regulated under the state's medical board or a combined board that oversees multiple health professions. The decision to merge acupuncture boards with other regulatory bodies often aims to enhance efficiency and consistency in the oversight of health professions.

CONCLUSION

Yes, the boards can be merged into one regulatory body, if there is careful planning to address the distinct needs of each profession, ensure representation, and maintain high standards of practice and consumer protection. This approach could improve efficiency and reduce administrative burdens, while still allowing each profession to maintain its identity and standards within a unified structure.

JUSTIFICATION AND BALANCING CONSIDERATIONS

- **Maintaining Core Professional Expertise:** The board should include licensed professionals from all represented fields to ensure comprehensive oversight and expertise in all key areas.
- **Strengthening Public Representation:** Including multiple general public members helps maintain public trust and accountability, ensuring the board's decisions reflect community needs and perspectives.
- **Public and Community Representation:** Including a member who represents public interests maintains transparency, fairness, and accountability.

Reference:

West Virginia University Knee Regulatory Research Center, <https://csorwvu.com/find-occupations/>

THE NEVADA BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL DESIGN AND ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIALISTS

Merge the following occupational boards:

- The State Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design
- The State Board of Landscape Architecture
- The State Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors
- The Board of Environmental Health Specialist

Based on job duties, responsibilities and regulatory functions described, it is feasible to combine the Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design, Landscape Architecture, Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors and Environmental Health Specialists into one larger, consolidated board.

KEY SIMILARITIES ACROSS THE BOARDS

1. **Similar Regulatory Functions:** Each of these boards handles similar regulatory tasks, such as licensing, maintaining records, enforcing standards, issuing subpoenas and adopting codes of conduct. Combining them would streamline these overlapping functions, leading to more efficient administrative operations.
2. **Specific Needs and Representation:** By ensuring that each profession has dedicated representation within the combined board, the distinct standards and regulatory requirements of each discipline can be maintained. For example, landscape architecture and engineering have different technical competencies, but their licensing, examination and disciplinary functions are similar enough to be managed under one system.
3. **Consolidation Benefits:** A combined board would reduce administrative costs, eliminate redundancies in staff and resources and centralize operations, making the system more efficient overall. It would also simplify processes for public and professional inquiries, potentially improving service delivery across professions.
4. **Maintaining Integrity:** With appropriate safeguards—such as ensuring that board members from each profession actively participate in decisions that affect their specific fields—this consolidation would not compromise the quality, integrity, or specialized regulations of each profession.

NEW BOARD MAKE-UP (13 MEMBERS)

- **1 Registered Architect:** Representing the State Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design Board, which has 3,087 licensees and zero complaints that required an investigation. This member should have at least three years of active practice in Nevada.
- **1 Registered Residential Designer:** Representing the State Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design who have 163 licensees.
- **1 Registered Interior Designer:** Representing the State Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design who have 181 licensees.
- **2 Professional Engineers:** Representing the Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors

Board, which has 14,940 active licensees and 15 complaints that required an investigation. This member should be engaged in the practice or teaching of professional engineering.

- **2 Environmental Health Specialists:** Representing the Environmental Health Specialists Board, which has 307 licensees, and zero complaints required an investigation.
- **2 Registered Landscape Architects:** Representing the Landscape Architecture Board, which has 363 licensees and two complaints that required an investigation. Must have at least three years of practice with no disciplinary actions
- **2 Land Surveyors:** Representing the Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors Board, ensuring both disciplines are represented adequately. There are 671 licensees.
- **1 General Public Member:** Ensuring the representation of the general public's interests, must not be affiliated with any of the licensed professions.
- **1 Chief Medical Officer:** Meeting the requirement of the Environmental Health Specialists Board, the Chief Medical Officer or designated representative.

OTHER STATES

Several states have successfully combined boards that regulate professions such as architecture, engineering, interior design and landscape architecture, demonstrating the feasibility of such consolidations.

- **Virginia** has a combined board known as the APELSCIDLA Board which governs Architects, Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors, Certified Interior Designers and Landscape Architects. This board manages licensing, continuing education and professional conduct across these disciplines. The unified structure allows for streamlined regulatory processes while maintaining individual standards for each profession, such as separate sections for each discipline within the board.
- **Wisconsin** has a similar setup with its Examining Board of Architects, Landscape Architects, Professional Engineers, Designers, Professional Land Surveyors and Registered Interior Designers. This board is divided into sections to handle specific professional concerns but operates under a unified administrative framework.
- **Minnesota** also regulates a wide range of related professions under a single board - the Board of Architecture, Engineering, Land Surveying, Landscape Architecture, Geoscience and Interior Design. This consolidation helps in reducing administrative overlap while ensuring that each profession's regulatory and licensure needs are met through specialized attention within the unified board.

CONCLUSION:

In summary, combining these boards is feasible but it must be done thoughtfully to maintain the unique regulatory frameworks and ensure continued professional representation from each discipline.

JUSTIFICATION AND BALANCING CONSIDERATIONS

- **Maintaining Core Professional Expertise:** Ensuring that the board has licensed professionals from architecture, landscape architecture, professional engineering, land surveying and environmental health ensures coverage of the key areas of practice.
- **Meeting Specialized Representation Requirements:** Including members like interior designers, landscape architects and environmental health specialists brings necessary expertise and meets specific professional requirements.
- **Ensuring Public and Community Oversight:** Having a general public member, as well as a representative from the medical community, ensures the board reflects public concerns and maintains transparency.

Resources:

Virginia Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation: <https://dpor.virginiainteractive.org/Boards/APELS>

Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services: <https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/BoardsCouncils/AE/Default.aspx>

Minnesota Board of AELSLAGID: <https://mn.gov/aelslagid/states.html>

THE NEVADA BEHAVIORAL WELLNESS ALLIANCE BOARD

Merge the following occupational boards:

- The Nevada Applied Behavior Analysis Board – NRS 641D.010
- The Nevada Board of Examiners for Marriage and Family Therapists and Clinical Professional Counselors – NRS 641A.010
- The Nevada Board of Examiners for Social Workers – NRS 641B.020
- The Nevada Board of Psychological Examiners – NRS 641.010
- The Alcohol, Drug and Gambling Counselors – NRS 641C.010

Based on the job duties, responsibilities, and regulatory functions described, it is possible to merge the ABA Board, Marriage and Family Therapists, Social Workers, Psychological Examiners and Alcohol, Drug and Gambling Counselors boards into one larger, consolidated board. This approach will lead to more efficient governance, streamlined processes, and reduced administrative costs.

KEY SIMILARITIES ACROSS THE BOARDS

1. **Licensing and Examination:** All boards are responsible for examining qualifications, licensing, and registration of applicants for their respective professions.
2. **Disciplinary Actions:** Each board has the authority to revoke or suspend licenses, enforce disciplinary measures and maintain records of violations.
3. **Reporting Requirements:** All boards are required to submit annual reports to oversight committees or authorities.
4. **Rulemaking and Regulation:** Each board has the authority to develop, adopt and enforce rules and regulations related to their profession, including ensuring that practitioners limit their practice to areas of competence.
5. **Supervision and Training:** Most boards have responsibilities related to supervising interns or trainees and establishing standards for remote supervision.

NEW BOARD MAKE-UP (13 MEMBERS)

- **1 Licensed Behavior Analyst or Assistant Behavior Analyst:** Representing the Applied Behavior Analysis Board with 2,800 active licensees and 12 complaints required an investigation.
- **2 Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists (MFT):** Representing Marriage and Family Therapists Board with 3,469 active licensees and 32 complaints required an investigation.
- **2 Licensed Social Workers:** Representing the Social Workers Board, which has the highest number of active licensees 4,723 and 16 complaints required an investigation.
- **1 Licensed Psychologist:** Representing the Psychological Examiners Board, with 939 active licensees and 8 complaints required an investigation. This member could also be a faculty member from an accredited doctoral program or internship location to meet existing requirements.

- **1 Licensed Clinical Alcohol and Drug Counselor or Alcohol and Drug Counselor:** Representing the Alcohol, Drug, and Gambling Counselors Board, which has 1,300 active licensees and 5 complaints required an investigation.
- **1 Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor:** Representing clinical professional counselors as required by the Marriage and Family Therapists Board.
- **1 Licensed Problem Gambling Counselor:** Ensuring representation for certified problem gambling counseling, which was a specific requirement on the Alcohol, Drug, and Gambling Counselors Board.
- **1 General Public Member:** Must not be affiliated with any of the licensed professions; representing the general interests of the public.
- **1 General Public Member:** Representing Healthcare for Indigent or Uninsured Persons: As required by the Psychological Examiners Board.
- **1 Member Representing an Academic or Training Institution:** A licensed psychologist who is a core faculty member at a doctorate-level program or internship location accredited by the American Psychological Association, or a similar accredited institution, to bring in academic oversight.
- **1 Licensed or Certified Member from Any of the Represented Fields:** This position would be flexible to ensure balanced representation as needed, possibly rotating between boards to maintain diversity.

OTHER STATES

Several states have successfully consolidated occupational licensing boards into one or more overarching boards or agencies. For example:

- **California's Board of Behavioral Sciences** oversees multiple professions, including marriage and family therapists, social workers and professional clinical counselors.
- **Florida's Department of Health** manages a variety of health-related professions through its Division of Medical Quality Assurance, utilizing subcommittees for specific professions.

Several states have taken steps to consolidate similar licensing boards into single or combined entities:

- **California** has a Board of Behavioral Sciences that oversees the licensing and regulation of multiple professions, including Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists (LMFTs), Licensed Clinical Social Workers (LCSWs), Licensed Educational Psychologists (LEPs), and Licensed Professional Clinical Counselors (LPCCs).
- **Georgia** has established a Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists. This board regulates and sets licensing guidelines for professional counselors, social workers, and marriage and family therapists in the state.
- **Idaho** also has a Board of Professional Counselors and Marriage and Family Therapists that regulates both counselors and marriage and family therapists under a single regulatory structure.

CONCLUSION

Merging boards that regulate related professions is feasible if mechanisms are in place to ensure that each profession's specific standards and needs are respected. This consolidated structure would lead to more efficient oversight, reduced costs and improved public access to information. Examples from other states demonstrate that merging oversight bodies for similar professions can streamline regulations, enhance efficiency, and provide better services for professionals and consumers while still maintaining the integrity of each profession's standards.

JUSTIFICATION AND BALANCING CONSIDERATIONS

- **Maintaining Core Professional Expertise:** The board should include licensed professionals from all represented fields to ensure comprehensive oversight and expertise in key areas, such as behavior analysis, marriage and family therapy, social work, psychology, and addiction counseling.
- **Ensuring Specialized Representation:** Incorporating additional licensed and certified professionals (such as problem gambling counselors or academic representatives) ensures specialized expertise and supports the board's diverse range of responsibilities.
- **Strengthening Public Representation:** Including multiple general public members helps maintain public trust and accountability, ensuring the board's decisions reflect community needs and perspectives.

References:

[Board of Behavioral Sciences](https://bbs.ca.gov/applicants/lmft.html) <https://bbs.ca.gov/applicants/lmft.html>

[Georgia Secretary of State](https://sos.ga.gov/board-professional-counselors-social-workers-and-marriage-family-therapists) <https://sos.ga.gov/board-professional-counselors-social-workers-and-marriage-family-therapists>

[Occupational Licenses](https://dopl.idaho.gov/cou/) <https://dopl.idaho.gov/cou/>

NEVADA MEDICAL BOARD

Merge the following occupational boards:

- The Board of Medical Examiners – NRS 360.050
- The State Board of Osteopathic Medicine – NRS 633.011

The duties and regulations of the Nevada Board of Medical Examiners and the Nevada Board of Osteopathic Medicine show significant overlap in their core functions, particularly regarding licensure, disciplinary actions, medical ethics and the supervision of medical assistants. Both boards have similar mandates to enforce regulations for their respective licensees, establish standards for licensure, and take disciplinary actions when necessary.

KEY SIMILARITIES ACROSS THE BOARDS

1. **Licensure and Regulation:** Both boards are responsible for the licensure of medical professionals, ensuring that licensees meet the qualifications for practice and adopting regulations to govern the profession. The process of evaluating applicants and maintaining licensure standards is consistent across both boards.
2. **Disciplinary Actions:** Each board conducts investigations and enforces disciplinary actions for malpractice, negligence, or violations of controlled substance regulations. They both maintain records of disciplinary actions and cooperate with other agencies when necessary.
3. **Ethics and Professional Standards:** Both boards are empowered to adopt regulations governing medical ethics and conduct. While they address different professions (allopathic vs. osteopathic), the ethical principles and standards of care they enforce have much in common, especially concerning issues like controlled substance prescribing and general patient care.
4. **Reporting and Recordkeeping:** Both boards submit reports to state authorities, maintain records of proceedings, and are responsible for making certain documents available to the public, especially regarding disciplinary actions. Their duties to communicate with other licensing boards and agencies also align closely.
5. **Supervision of Medical Assistants:** Both boards have regulations that govern the supervision of medical assistants, specifically focusing on the possession and administration of dangerous drugs, showing alignment in regulatory scope.
6. **Confidentiality and Public Records:** Both boards have similar provisions regarding confidentiality in investigations and disciplinary proceedings, with exceptions for public records related to certain documents or when requested by the licensee.

NEW BOARD MAKE-UP: (9 MEMBERS)

- **3 Licensed Medical Doctors:** approximately 14,000 licensees and 488 complaints
- **3 Licensed Osteopathic Doctors:** 2,914 licensee and 144 complaints
- **1 Licensed Physician Assistant**
- **1 Licensed Respiratory Care Practitioner**
- **1 General Public Member:** Not related to a person licensed to practice any healing art, and

not involved in the administration of any medical or dependent facility.

OTHER STATES

- **Alaska:** The Alaska State Medical Board regulates both allopathic and osteopathic physicians in the state.
- **Delaware:** Delaware has a single Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline, which oversees both allopathic and osteopathic physicians.
- **Georgia:** The Georgia Composite Medical Board regulates both MDs and DOs.
- **Hawaii:** The Hawaii Medical Board is a joint board that licenses and regulates both allopathic (MD) and osteopathic (DO) physicians.
- **Illinois:** The Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (IDFPR) regulates both MDs and DOs under the same medical board structure.
- **Maryland:** The Maryland Board of Physicians oversees the licensure and regulation of both allopathic and osteopathic doctors.
- **Massachusetts:** Massachusetts has a Board of Registration in Medicine, which is responsible for regulating both MDs and DOs in the state.
- **Michigan:** The Michigan Board of Medicine regulates both MDs and DOs, providing unified oversight and regulation.
- **New Jersey:** New Jersey has a State Board of Medical Examiners, which governs the practice of both MDs and DOs.
- **New York:** The New York State Education Department's Office of the Professions regulates both MDs and DOs through the Board for Medicine.
- **North Carolina:** The North Carolina Medical Board regulates both MDs and DOs.
- **Rhode Island:** Rhode Island has a single Board of Medical Licensure and Discipline for both allopathic and osteopathic physicians.
- **West Virginia:** In 2023, West Virginia passed legislation to combine its medical and osteopathic boards into one, now called the West Virginia Board of Medicine, which regulates both MDs and DOs.
- **Virginia:** The Virginia Board of Medicine regulates both MDs and DOs, encompassing allopathic and osteopathic physicians.

CONCLUSION

Consolidating the Board of Medical Examiners and the State Board of Osteopathic Medicine enhances operational efficiency, ensures regulatory consistency, fosters interdisciplinary collaboration, and increases public trust. This unified approach supports Nevada's healthcare system by streamlining oversight, adapting to industry changes and advocating for comprehensive, accessible, and patient-centered care.

JUSTIFICATION AND BALANCING CONSIDERATIONS

- **Maintaining Core Professional Expertise:** The board should have a strong representation of licensed MDs and DOs to ensure expertise across both medical fields while retaining positions for specialized professionals such as a physician assistant and respiratory care practitioner.
- **Ensuring Representation for Public Interests:** Including a member of the general public without affiliations with the healthcare professions maintains transparency, fairness, and accountability.

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NEVADA OPTOMETRY AND DISPENSING OPTICIANS BOARD

Merge the following occupational boards:

- The Nevada State Board of Optometry – NRS 636.030
- The Board of Dispensing Opticians – NRS 637.030

Merging Optometry and Dispensing Opticians Boards would create several important healthcare service benefits, particularly in terms of patient care, healthcare access and interdisciplinary coordination. Here are some of the key benefits:

KEY SIMILARITIES ACROSS THE BOARDS

1. **Licensure and Regulation:** Both boards have the responsibility to evaluate the qualifications of applicants, issue licenses, and enforce the regulations governing their respective fields. They share the function of maintaining licensure standards, conducting examinations and disciplining licensees for violations of standards.
2. **Investigations and Hearings:** Each board has the authority to investigate complaints, hold hearings, issue subpoenas and take disciplinary action against licensees. This shows alignment in their regulatory oversight.
3. **Adoption of Regulations:** Both boards have the authority to adopt and enforce regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of their respective chapters. Whether related to standards of practice, fees, or other areas of governance, the process of rulemaking is similar across these boards.
4. **Records and Reporting:** Both boards are required to maintain records of proceedings and report relevant information, such as disciplinary actions, to the public or state agencies. Each board also has provisions for keeping certain records confidential as necessary.

NEW BOARD MAKE-UP (5 MEMBERS)

- **2 Licensed Optometrists:** Representing the State Board of Optometry, which has 546 licensees, and 10 complaints required an investigation. This member must be currently practicing optometry in Nevada.
- **2 Licensed Ophthalmic Dispensers (Opticians):** Representing the State Board of Opticians, which has 512 licensees, and 5 complaints required an investigation. This member must have been actively engaged in ophthalmic dispensing for at least three years immediately preceding the appointment.
- **1 General Public Member:** Ensuring the interests of the general public are represented. These members must not be licensed in any of the professions overseen by the board and must not be related to anyone who is. They should also not have any pecuniary interests in these fields.

CONCLUSION

Merging the regulatory boards for optometrists and dispensing opticians offers a forward-thinking solution to enhance efficiency, consistency, and public trust in the oversight of vision care professions. By streamlining administrative functions, fostering collaboration among professionals, and simplifying processes for consumers, a unified board can address existing challenges while delivering long-term cost savings and improved regulatory outcomes. Drawing on successful examples from Ohio and California, such a merger not only ensures cohesive policy development but also strengthens accountability and transparency, benefiting both the professions it regulates and the public they serve. This strategic consolidation represents a significant step toward modernizing and optimizing the regulation of vision care in Nevada.

BENEFITS OF CONSOLIDATION

1. **Unified Oversight:** A single board provides cohesive oversight of vision-related professions, ensuring consistent standards and practices across the state.
2. **Improved Access to Quality Eye Care:** The board initiatives would focus on ensuring widespread access to quality eye care, particularly in underserved areas.
3. **Improved Consumer Protection:** The merged board would lead to more efficient regulatory processes, improved consumer protection, and better access to quality eye care services throughout the state.
4. **Inter-Professional Coordination:** A single board fosters better collaboration between optometrists and opticians, leading to improved service delivery and integration of care.

JUSTIFICATION AND BALANCING CONSIDERATIONS

- **Proportional Representation:** The equal representation of optometrists and opticians reflects the relatively comparable number of licensees in each profession (546 optometrists and 512 opticians). This ensures that the voices of both groups are equally heard in the regulatory process, fostering collaboration and preventing dominance by one profession.
- **Complaint Volume Consideration:** The board's composition also aligns with the workload associated with complaints requiring investigations—10 for optometrists and 5 for opticians. The proportional representation ensures sufficient expertise to handle these cases effectively.
- **Avoiding Professional Bias:** While professional representation is essential, there is a need to balance it with public input to ensure the board's decisions do not unduly favor the regulated professions over consumer interests. The general public member provides this counterbalance.
- **Consumer Protection:** The composition ensures that while professional standards are upheld, the public's voice is not overshadowed, maintaining a focus on consumer safety and service quality.

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Nevada Board of Professional Engineers & Land Surveyors

The **Nevada Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors (NVBPELS)** serves the public interest by regulating and providing leadership to the engineering and land surveying professions—individuals and companies that practice engineering and land surveying in Nevada. NVBPELS operates on behalf of the Nevada government through the Professional Engineering Act of March 29, 1919. Professional Land Surveying was added to the act on March 31, 1947. The standards set by NVBPELS for ethical, professional, and technical competency, ensure that Nevadans are protected in their work places and communities.

NVBPELS regulates over 28,000 professionals—engineers and land surveyors. Actively practicing professionals total over 16,000, about 3,500 of which are Nevada residents, with a nearly equal split between northern and southern Nevada. These professional engineers and land surveyors are vital contributors to Nevada in the following areas:

- Design, construction, maintenance, renovation of hospitals, healthcare facilities, schools, and other essential public infrastructure needed for communities, such as roadways and transit, and clean safe drinking water;
- At the forefront of discovering and developing Nevada's resources and the identification of alternative energy sources, such as wind power, fuel-cell technology, other renewable resources; and
- Developing and growing cutting edge companies and innovating technology that helps drive diversification of Nevada's economy.

NVBPELS operates at no cost to the state while driving Nevada's economic engine. Its innovative, efficient, and customer-focused approach makes it a model regulatory agency as evidenced by:

- **Efficiency:** functioning like a well-oiled small business—agile, responsive, and dedicated to continuous improvement.
- **Technical Expertise:** staff possesses deep knowledge across 16 engineering disciplines and land surveying.
- **Forward-Thinking Leadership:** embracing a future-focused mindset, ensuring alignment with Nevada's economic goals.
- **Customer-Centric Culture:** prioritizing its stakeholders by fostering a customer-first philosophy.



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The Unique Role of NVBPELS: Fueling Nevada's Economy at No Cost to Taxpayers

Efficiency: functioning like a well-oiled small business—agile, responsive, and dedicated to continuous improvement. Key highlights include:

Streamlined Licensing:

- 80% of comity applicants receive same-day license approval (MLE/MSE/MLS).
- 20% of comity applicants are licensed within three days (non-MLE/MSE/MLS).
- Reinstatement applications are approved immediately upon receipt.
- Initial applications are reviewed and presented to the board within an average of 20 days, with most applicants licensed the same day as a board meeting.

Proactive Automation:

- Automating manual tasks like licensing and firm registration.
- Designing user-friendly systems inspired by modern e-commerce platforms.

Scalable Operations:

- Serving over 28,000 professionals, with 16,000 actively providing services in Nevada.

Technical Expertise: staff possesses deep knowledge across 16 engineering disciplines and land surveying. Their technical competence enables them to:

- Provide immediate answers to basic technical inquiries.
- Develop industry-leading resources, such as:
 - The Electronic Submittal and Digital Signature Guide.
 - The Quality of Plan Submittal Best Practices Guide.
- Keep regulations aligned with modern practices to support public safety and professional standards.

Forward-Thinking Leadership : embracing a future-focused mindset, ensuring alignment with Nevada's economic goals:

Licensure Innovation:

- Nevada was the first state to decouple PE/PLS exams from experience requirements, enabling applicants to take exams earlier. This approach has since been adopted by 30+ states.
- Pioneered international comity pathways, opening doors for globally recognized engineering professionals. NVBPELS was the first state to establish an international pathway, which inspired the NCEES-ECUK MRA, now adopted by 26 states.

Regulatory Agility: Continuously updating regulations, regularly exceeding the statutory 10-year review requirement, to stay ahead of industry trends.

Economic Development Alignment: Collaborating with major initiatives, including Tesla and Panasonic projects, to attract professionals capable of working in high-tech industries.

Customer-Centric Culture: prioritizing its stakeholders by fostering a customer-first philosophy:

Process Simplification: Streamlining processes to enhance customer experience.

Proactive Communication: Monitoring inquiries to identify areas for improved messaging and outreach through the website, newsletters, and e-blasts.

Exceptional Service Standards:

- Calls are answered by a live person.
- 98 percent of emails are addressed same day.

By combining efficiency, technical knowledge, forward-thinking strategies, and a strong customer focus, NVBPELS stands as a model regulatory agency that delivers exceptional value while playing a vital role in Nevada's economic success.

SB-78 Staff Overview

Nevada Senate Bill 78 Overview

SB78 provides the framework to reorganize and consolidate state boards, with an effective date of July 1, 2026, if passed. The key provisions and their implications for the Nevada State Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors (NVBPELS) are detailed below.

1. Board Consolidation

- NVBPELS would be eliminated, with its responsibilities transferred to the newly proposed Nevada Board of Professional Design and Environmental Specialists (NBPDES) (Section 80).
- NBPDES would consist of the Chief Medical Officer or their designee and twelve members appointed by the Governor, including:
 - A Registered Residential Designer
 - A Registered Interior Designer
 - A Registered Architect
 - Two Registered Landscape Architects
 - Two Professional Engineers
 - Two Professional Land Surveyors
 - Representatives from Clark County and Washoe County health districts with NRS 625A.110 registration and environmental health expertise
 - One Public Member

2. Centralized Administration

- The Office of Nevada Boards, Commissions, and Councils Standards (Office) would oversee administrative functions such as legal, accounting, and IT services for all boards under its purview (Section 11).
- Boards would be prohibited from directly employing external service providers for these functions or entering contracts without the Office's approval.
- Fees for services provided by the Office would be billed or collected from the respective boards.

3. Standardized Governance

- Board members would serve standardized 4-year terms, limited to two terms (Section 22).
- Compensation and travel reimbursement policies for board members would also be standardized.

4. Legislative Oversight

- Boards would need to route legislative drafting requests through the Deputy Director of the Office (Section 13).
- The Office would conduct periodic reviews of board effectiveness, performance, and relevance, which could influence the board's continuation or modification (Sections 7-9).

5. Appeals Process

- Contested cases, previously handled internally by boards, would now be adjudicated by hearing officers employed by the Office (Section 79).

6. Website Management

- Board information would be hosted on a centralized website maintained by the Office, eliminating the board's ability to manage its own web presence (Section 15).

7. New Appointment Authority

- The Director of the Department of Business and Industry would appoint executive directors for all boards under the Office's purview, replacing the current board-led appointment process (Section 88).

Strategic Implications and Key Questions

1. Loss of Autonomy

- Independent control over regulatory board operations would significantly diminish under centralized decision-making and administration.

2. Operational Adjustments

- The transition to centralized administrative services, standardized governance, and IT support would require substantial operational realignment.

3. Policy Influence

- A centralized legislative process could limit NVBPELS' ability to directly propose industry-specific regulations or legislative changes.

Key Questions for Clarification

• Financial Management:

- Will NVBPELS retain its bank accounts for operational expenses, or will all funds be centralized? Would current funds from the boards proposed to be combined to create the new NBPDES be merged and tracked by the Office?

- How will the Office ensure funds from all the boards are tracked separately to prevent co-mingling?
- **Contracts and Services:**
 - What happens to existing NVBPELS contracts, services, and leases? Will these remain valid or require renegotiation?
- **Licensing and Renewal Operations:**
 - During reorganization, who will oversee licensing and renewals, and where will the collected fees be deposited?
 - How will NVBPELS' current online application and renewal systems be integrated with the centralized Office systems?
- **Workforce Implications:**
 - As this bill impacts all current state boards, what plans are in place to address the potential displacement of 500-600 privately employed board staff statewide, including NVBPELS employees?
 - With Nevada already facing government staffing shortages, how will the Office fill new positions needed for reorganization?
 - Does the Office assume that displaced staff desire or qualify for government roles within the new structure?
- **Contractual Approval:**
 - If boards require Office approval for contracts, is this a temporary measure until boards are fully assimilated? Why is this necessary when an Executive Director is employed by the Office?

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SENATE BILL NO. 78—COMMITTEE ON
REVENUE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

(ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY)

PREFILED NOVEMBER 20, 2024

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to boards, commissions, councils and similar bodies. (BDR 18-301)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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

AN ACT relating to governmental administration; revising in skeleton form the powers and duties of the Office of Nevada Boards, Commissions and Councils Standards of the Department of Business and Industry; making various changes in skeleton form to the composition and operation of various boards, commissions, councils and similar bodies; providing in skeleton form for the consolidation and termination of various boards, commissions, councils and similar bodies; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

- 1 Existing law creates the Office of Nevada Boards, Commissions and Councils
- 2 Standards of the Department of Business and Industry and sets forth the powers and
- 3 duties of the Office. (NRS 232.8413, 232.8415) This bill revises, in skeleton form,
- 4 the powers and duties of the Office.
- 5 Existing law provides, with certain exceptions, that all professional and
- 6 occupational licensing boards created by the Legislature are under the purview of
- 7 the Office. (NRS 232.8415) **Section 24** of this bill adds various other boards,
- 8 commissions, councils and similar bodies within the Executive Department of the
- 9 State Government to the purview of the Office. **Section 11** of this bill requires the
- 10 Office to provide administrative services to each board, commission, council and
- 11 similar body under its purview, including, without limitation, legal services,
- 12 accounting services, information technology services, services pertaining to
- 13 activities designed to influence the passage or defeat of any legislation and the



services of hearing officers to adjudicate contested cases. **Section 11** requires the Office to prescribe a fee to cover the costs for such services and adopt such procedures as the Office may deem appropriate for the billing or collection of such fees from a board, commission, council or similar body to which such services are provided. **Section 11** prohibits a board, commission, council or similar body under the purview of the Office from paying any compensation to a natural person or entity other than the Office for a service that the Office provides. This bill would eliminate all provisions of existing law to the contrary. For example, existing law requires a regulatory body to determine whether a contested case will be heard by the regulatory body or a hearing panel or officer. (NRS 622A.300) **Section 79** of this bill requires any contested case before a regulatory body that is a professional or occupational licensing board under the purview of the Office to be heard by a hearing officer employed by the Office. Similarly, **section 83** of this bill eliminates the authority of the Nevada State Board of Accountancy to employ attorneys, as legal services for the Board would be provided by the Office.

Section 11 requires all money collected by the Office for the provision of services to boards, commissions, councils and similar bodies under its purview to be deposited in the State Treasury for credit to the Office of Nevada Boards, Commissions and Councils Standards Account, which is created by **section 12** of this bill.

Existing law requires the Director of the Department of Business and Industry to retain the required staff to effectively administer the responsibilities of the Office. (NRS 232.8413) **Section 23** of this bill provides that such staff may include, without limitation, hearing officers, accountants and other professional, clerical and operational employees. **Section 6** of this bill authorizes the Director to appoint a General Counsel of the Office and deputies to the General Counsel.

Section 15 of this bill: (1) requires the Office to maintain an Internet website through which each board, commission, council and similar body under the purview of the Office may post information; and (2) prohibits such a board, commission, council or similar body from posting information on any other Internet website. The bill would eliminate any provisions of existing law to the contrary. For example, existing law requires the Nevada State Board of Accountancy to maintain a website on the Internet and post certain information on that website. (NRS 628.130) **Section 84** of this bill requires that information to instead be posted on the Internet website maintained by the Office.

Section 13 of this bill sets forth the process that a board, commission, council or similar body under the purview of the Office must use if it wishes that a request for the drafting of a legislative measure be submitted to the Legislative Counsel.

Sections 7-9 of this bill require the Office, with certain exceptions, to periodically review each board, commission, council and similar body in this State within the Executive Department of the State Government and set forth procedures for conducting such a review. At the conclusion of such a review, **section 9** requires the Deputy Director to submit to the Governor his or her recommendation as to whether the board, commission, council or similar body should be terminated, modified, consolidated with another board, commission, council or similar body or continued. **Section 9** requires the Governor, if necessary, to request the drafting of a legislative measure to effectuate the recommendation. If the board, commission, council or similar body is an advisory body subject to termination pursuant to **section 29** of this bill and the Deputy Director makes certain specified findings concerning the advisory body, **section 9** requires the Deputy Director to submit a notice to the Governor and the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau recommending the continuation of the board, commission, council or similar body.

Section 29 requires any legislative measure enacted on or after July 1, 2026, which contains a provision creating an advisory body, with certain exceptions, to



provide for the expiration by limitation of the provision 2 years after effective date of the provision. However, **section 29** also requires such legislation to provide for the extension of the provision for a period of 2 years each time the Deputy Director submits a notice to the Governor and the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau described in **section 9** recommending the continuation of the advisory body. As such, under **section 29**, any advisory body created on or after July 1, 2026, would terminate automatically after 2 years, but may be extended in 2-year increments if the Deputy Director, after a review of the advisory body, makes certain findings resulting in a recommendation for the continuation of the advisory body.

Section 10 of this bill authorizes the Office to: (1) establish procedures and requirements relating to the appointment of members to a board, commission, council or similar body under the purview of the Office; and (2) require any such body, before entering into a contract of any kind, to submit the contract to and obtain the approval of the Office.

Section 14 of this bill makes the person appointed by the Governor as the administrative head of the department within which a board, commission, council or similar body under the purview of the Office, other than a professional or occupational licensing board, responsible for the effective operation of the board, commission, council or similar body. **Section 14** provides that such boards, commissions, councils or similar bodies are authorized to meet only upon: (1) the call of the Chair of the board, commission, council or similar body; (2) the written request of a majority of the members of the board, commission, council or similar body; or (3) the call of the administrative head of the department responsible for its effective operation. This bill would eliminate all provisions of existing law to the contrary. For example, **section 21** of this bill removes provisions requiring the Advisory Council of the Division of Industrial Relations of the Department of Business and Industry to meet at least once annually. (NRS 232.580) All similar provisions requiring a board, commission, council or similar body under the purview of the Office that is not a professional or occupational licensing board to meet a certain number of times per year would be eliminated.

Section 16 of this bill authorizes the Office to have access to, inspect, copy and subpoena various records and use the information obtained to resolve matters relating to its duties.

This bill also provides, in skeleton form, for various revisions to provisions relating to the membership of various boards, commissions, councils and similar bodies under the purview of the Office. For example, under existing law, the members of the Advisory Council of the Division of Industrial Relations are appointed by the Governor. (NRS 232.570) **Section 20** of this bill makes the Director of the Department of Business and Industry responsible for appointing the members of the Advisory Council. This bill would similarly make the administrative head of the department in which a board, commission, council or similar body under the purview of the Office that is not a professional or occupational licensing board responsible for the appointment of the members required to be appointed by the Governor under existing law. **Section 20** also provides that the term of office for a member of the Advisory Council is 2 years and that a member may not serve more than two terms. This bill would apply those term limits and terms of office to every board, commission, council or similar body under the purview of the Office that is not a professional or occupational licensing board.

This bill would also standardize the term limits and terms of office for professional and occupational licensing boards under the purview of the Office. For example, under existing law, a member of the State Contractors' Board serves a term of 3 years and is not limited in the number of terms he or she may serve. (NRS 232A.020, chapter 624 of NRS) However, an appointed member of the State



Barbers' Health and Sanitation Board serves a term of 4 years and is prohibited from serving more than three terms. (NRS 643.020) **Sections 81 and 94** of this bill provide that the term of office for the appointed members of both of these boards is 4 years and each such member is prohibited from serving more than two terms. This bill would apply such term limits and terms of office to every professional and occupational licensing board under the purview of the Office.

This bill would also standardize the compensation to be paid to members of the boards, commissions, councils and similar bodies under the purview of the Office. For example, under existing law, each member of the Advisory Council of the Division of Industrial Relations is entitled to receive a salary of \$60 for each day's attendance at a meeting of the Council. (NRS 232.590) **Section 22** of this bill requires the members to serve without compensation, but provides that each member is entitled to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally. This bill would require all members of all boards, commissions, councils and similar bodies under the purview of the Office, other than a professional or occupational licensing board, to serve without compensation. However, each member would be entitled to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally.

This bill would also standardize the compensation to be paid to members of professional and occupational licensing boards under the purview of the Office. For example, under existing law, each member of the State Board of Pharmacy is entitled to receive: (1) a salary of not more than \$150 per day, as fixed by the Board, while engaged in the business of the Board; and (2) a per diem allowance and travel expenses at a rate fixed by the Board, while engaged in the business of the Board, which must not exceed the rate provided for state officers and employees generally. (NRS 639.050) **Section 92** of this bill requires those rates to be fixed by the Deputy Director of the Office, with the approval of the Director of the Department of Business and Industry, rather than the Board. This bill would add similar provisions with respect to every professional and occupational licensing board under the purview of the Office.

In addition to requiring each board, commission, council or similar body under its purview to utilize the administrative services of the Office, this bill would require the Director of the Department of Business and Industry to appoint each executive director of a professional or occupational licensing board, rather than the board itself. For example, existing law authorizes the State Board of Nursing to appoint an Executive Director to perform such duties as the Board may direct and to set the compensation of the Executive Director. (NRS 632.060) **Section 88** of this bill requires the Executive Director to instead be appointed by the Director of the Department of Business and Industry and to serve at a level of compensation set by the Deputy Director of the Office. Under **section 88**, the Executive Director of the Board serves at the pleasure of the Director and is required to perform such duties as are directed by the Deputy Director, as advised by the Board. This bill would add similar provisions with respect to each executive director or person with similar responsibilities of each professional or occupational licensing board. **Section 88** also eliminates a requirement specific to the State Board of Nursing that requires the Executive Director of the Board to be a professional nurse licensed in this State.

Section 87 of this bill authorizes the Board of Dental Examiners of Nevada, by regulation, to defer the expiration of a license issued by the Board to a person who is on active duty in any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States or who is the spouse or dependent child of such a person. This bill would similarly authorize every professional and occupational licensing board under the purview of the Office to take such action.

Existing law creates the Commission on Postsecondary Education within the Employment Security Division of the Department of Employment, Training and



Rehabilitation and makes the Administrator of the Division, through the Administrator of the Commission, responsible for the administration of provisions of existing law governing the licensure and regulation of certain academic, vocational, technical and business schools and privately owned colleges and universities. (NRS 394.383, 612.220) **Sections 50 and 73** of this bill: (1) move the Commission from within the Employment Security Division to be within the Department of Business and Industry; (2) revise the membership of the Commission to replace a nonvoting member who is an employee of the Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation with a nonvoting member who is an employee of the Department of Business and Industry; and (3) eliminate the responsibility of the Administrator of the Employment Security Division with respect to the provisions of existing law governing the licensure and regulation of certain schools, colleges and universities.

Section 25 of this bill requires the Office of Minority Health and Equity of the Department of Health and Human Services, rather the Director of the Department of Business and Industry, to provide staff assistance to the Nevada Commission on Minority Affairs, except for those services provided by the Office pursuant to **section 11**.

This bill would eliminate, consolidate or revise the membership of various boards, commissions, councils and similar bodies both under and outside the purview of the Office.

The Nevada Air Service Development Commission would be eliminated and its duties transferred to the Nevada Aviation Technical Advisory Committee. (NRS 231.600-231.700) For example, **section 1** of this bill transfers the duty to administer the Nevada Air Service Development Fund and to adopt certain regulations from the Commission to the Nevada Aviation Technical Advisory Committee.

The Nevada Commission for Persons Who Are Deaf and Hard of Hearing would be eliminated and its duties transferred to the Nevada Equal Rights Commission. (NRS 233.030, 427A.750) **Section 26** of this bill revises the membership of the Nevada Equal Rights Commission.

The State Historical Records Advisory Board and the Committee to Approve Schedules for the Retention and Disposition of Official State Records would be eliminated. (NRS 239.073, 378A.030) The duties of those bodies would be transferred to the State Records and Historical Advisory Council created by **section 30** of this bill.

The Human Resources Commission, the Employee-Management Committee and Committee on Catastrophic Leave would be eliminated. (NRS 284.030, 284.068, 284.3627) The duties of those bodies would be transferred to the Committee on Human Resources created by **section 31** of this bill.

The Merit Award Board, the Nevada Awards and Honors Board and any selection committee for nominations of persons to receive the Nevada Medal of Distinction would be eliminated. (NRS 223.964, 223.966, 285.030) The duties of those bodies would be transferred to the Nevada Merit and Honors Board created by **section 32** of this bill.

The Commission for Cultural Centers and Historic Preservation and the Comstock Historic District Commission would be eliminated. (NRS 383.500, 384.040) The duties of those commissions would be transferred to the Commission for Cultural and Historic Preservation created by **section 37** of this bill.

The Commission on Innovation and Excellence in Education and the Nevada State Teacher and Education Support Professional Recruitment and Retention Advisory Task Force would be eliminated. (NRS 385.910, 391.492) The duties of those bodies would be transferred to the Nevada Commission on Innovation, Excellence and Education Workforce Development created by **section 38** of this bill.



The committee on statewide school safety and the Advisory Committee on the Safety and Well-Being of Public School Staff would be eliminated. (NRS 388.1324, 391.942) The duties of those bodies would be transferred to the Advisory Committee on School and Staff Safety created by **section 43** of this bill.

The Commission on Professional Standards in Education and the Statewide Council for the Coordination of the Regional Training Programs would be eliminated. (NRS 391.011, 391A.130) The duties of those bodies would be transferred to the Nevada Commission on Professional Standards and Regional Education Training created by **section 48** of this bill.

The Advisory Board on Outdoor Recreation would be eliminated and its duties transferred to the State Outdoor Recreation and Education Advisory Council created by **section 51** of this bill. (NRS 407A.575)

The Board of Search and Rescue, the State Disaster Identification Coordination Committee and the Intrastate Mutual Aid Committee would be eliminated. (NRS 414.170, 414.270, 414A.110) The duties of those bodies would be transferred to the Nevada Emergency Response and Disaster Coordination Board created by **section 52** of this bill.

Existing federal regulations require that the State Plan for Medicaid provide for a Medicaid Advisory Committee and a Beneficiary Advisory Council to advise the state agency for the Medicaid program on matters of concern related to policy development and matters related to the effective administration of the Medicaid program. (42 C.F.R. § 431.12) **Sections 55-58** of this bill establish such a Medicaid Advisory Committee and Beneficiary Advisory Council and set forth the duties of those bodies. This bill would eliminate the Medical Care Advisory Committee and each reinvestment advisory committee and transfer the duties of those bodies to the Medicaid Advisory Committee created by **section 56** of this bill. (NRS 422.151, 422.205)

The Nevada Commission on Aging and the Task Force on Alzheimer's Disease would be eliminated. (NRS 427A.032, 439.5083) The duties of those bodies would be transferred to the Nevada Commission on Aging and Cognitive Health created by **section 60** of this bill.

Existing law creates a mental health consortium in each county whose population is 100,000 or more (currently Clark and Washoe Counties) and in the region consisting of all counties whose population are less than 100,000 (currently all counties other than Clark and Washoe Counties). (NRS 433B.333) This bill would eliminate those provisions. The duties of the mental health consortiums would be transferred to the Nevada Children's Mental and Behavioral Health Consortium created by **section 64** of this bill.

Existing law creates five behavioral health regions and creates a regional behavioral health policy board in each behavioral health region. (NRS 433.428, 433.429) **Sections 61 and 62** of this bill instead create three behavioral health regions and revise the membership of the regional behavioral health policy board created in each of the three regions.

The advisory committee established by the Division of Public and Behavioral Health of the Department of Health and Human Services concerning kidney disease, the Rare Disease Advisory Council and the Advisory Council on the State Program for Wellness and the Prevention of Chronic Disease would be eliminated. (NRS 439.261, 439.5075, 439.518) The duties of those bodies would be transferred to the Wellness and Prevention Advisory Council created by **section 65** of this bill.

The Board for the Administration of the Subsequent Injury Account for Self-Insured Employers and the Board for the Administration of the Subsequent Injury Account for Associations of Self-Insured Public or Private Employers would be eliminated. (NRS 616B.548, 616B.569) The duties of those boards would be transferred to the Administrator of the Division of Industrial Relations of the Department of Business and Industry as provided in **sections 74-77** of this bill.



Existing law creates the Occupational Safety and Health Review Board to hold hearings and render decisions concerning contests or appeal of citations issued by the Division of Occupational Safety and Health. (NRS 618.565-618.605) This bill would eliminate the Board and instead require the Division to appoint a hearing officer to hear such contests and appeals, as provided in **section 78** of this bill.

The State Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design, the State Board of Landscape Architecture, the State Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors and the Board of Environmental Health Specialists would be eliminated. (NRS 623.050, 623A.080, 625.100, 625A.030) The duties of those boards would be transferred to the Nevada Board of Professional Design and Environmental Specialist created by **section 80** of this bill.

This bill would eliminate provisions providing for the licensure and regulation of music therapists by the State Board of Health, thereby authorizing a person to engage in the practice of music therapy without a license. (Chapter 640D of NRS) **Section 85** of this bill removes music therapists from the definition of "provider of health care" set forth in existing law.

This bill would eliminate the Nevada Board of Homeopathic Medical Examiners and provisions providing for the licensure and regulation of persons who provide homeopathic services by the Board, thereby authorizing a person to provide such services without a license. (Chapter 630A of NRS) **Section 27** of this bill removes references to homeopathy and homeopathic physicians set forth in the general definition of "physician" set forth in existing law.

The Board of Medical Examiners and the State Board of Osteopathic Medicine would be eliminated. (NRS 630.050, 633.181) The duties of those boards would be transferred to the Nevada Medical Board created by **section 86** of this bill.

The Chiropractic Physicians' Board of Nevada, the State Board of Oriental Medicine, the Nevada Physical Therapy Board, the Board of Occupational Therapy, the Board of Athletic Trainers and the Board of Massage Therapy would be eliminated. (NRS 634.020, 634A.030, 640.030, 640A.080, 640B.170, 640C.150) The duties of those boards would be transferred to the Nevada Board of Healing and Rehabilitative Practice created by **section 89** of this bill.

The State Board of Podiatry, the Nevada State Board of Optometry, the Board of Dispensing Opticians and the Speech-Language Pathology, Audiology and Hearing Aid Dispensing Board would be eliminated. (NRS 635.020, 636.030, 637.030, 637B.100) The duties of those boards would be transferred to the Nevada Board of Vision, Speech and Mobility Professions created by **section 91** of this bill.

The Board of Psychological Examiners, the Board of Examiners for Marriage and Family Therapists and Clinical Professional Counselors, the Board of Examiners for Social Workers, the Board of Examiners for Alcohol, Drug and Gambling Counselors and the Board of Applied Behavior Analysis would be eliminated. (NRS 641.030, 641A.090, 641B.100, 641C.150, 641D.200) The duties of those boards would be transferred to the Nevada Behavioral Wellness Alliance Board created by **section 93** of this bill.

Sections 18, 68, 90, 95 and 96 of this bill make the State of Nevada Advisory Council on Palliative Care and Quality of Life, the Committee on Emergency Medical Services, the Naprapathic Practice Advisory Board, the Medical Laboratory Advisory Committee, and the Radiation Therapy and Radiologic Imaging Advisory Committee subcommittees of the State Board of Health. (NRS 232.4855, 450B.151, 634B.100, 652.170, 653.450)

Sections 17, 19, 28, 33-36, 39-42, 44-47, 49, 53, 54, 59, 63, 66, 67, 69-72 and 82 of this bill revise the membership of the Grants Management Advisory Committee, the Council on Food Security, the Juvenile Justice Oversight Commission, the Committee on Local Government Finance, the State Council on Libraries and Literacy, the Board of Museums and History, the State Board of Education, the Advisory Council for Family Engagement, the Nevada Commission



on Mentoring, the Commission on School Funding, the Committee on Responses to Power-Based Violence in Schools, the State Financial Literacy Advisory Council, the Advisory Committee on Language Development for Children Who Are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Blind or Visually Impaired, the State Council for the Coordination of the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children, the Teachers and Leaders Council of Nevada, the Interagency Council on Veterans Affairs, the Nevada Veterans Services Commission, the Committee to Review Child Support Guidelines, the Advisory Committee for a Resilient Nevada within the Department of Health and Human Services, the Advisory Committee on the State Program for Oral Health, the State Environmental Commission, the Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles, the State Board of Agriculture, the State Apprenticeship Council and the Commission on Construction Education. (NRS 62B.600, 232.383, 232.4966, 354.105, 380A.031, 380A.041, 381.002, 385.021, 385.610, 385.760, 387.1246, 388.1326, 388.5175, 388.5966, 388F.020, 391.455, 417.0191, 417.150, 425.610, 433.726, 439.2792, 445B.200, 490.067, 561.045, 561.055, 610.030, 624.570)

This bill would eliminate the Commission on Behavioral Health, the Nevada Interagency Advisory Council on Homelessness to Housing, the Nevada Commission for Women, the Executive Council of the Land Use Planning Advisory Council, the Council to Establish Academic Standards for Public Schools, the Nevada Commission on Services for Persons with Disabilities, the Nevada Commission on Autism Spectrum Disorders, the working group established by the Division of Environmental Protection of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources study issues relating to environmental contamination resulting from perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances, the Nevada Threat Analysis Center Advisory Committee, the Advisory Board on Automotive Affairs, the Mining Oversight and Accountability Commission, the Nevada Employment Security Council, Dietitian Advisory Group, Occupational Safety and Health Review Board, the Credit Union Advisory Council, the Nevada High-Speed Rail Authority, the Oversight Panel for Convention Facilities and the task force established by the Director of the Department of Business and Industry to study issues of concern to common-interest communities. (NRS 232.361, 232.4981, 233I.010, 321.755, 389.510, 427A.1211, 427A.8801, 459.686, 480.540, 487.002, 514A.040, 612.305, 672.290, 705.850, section 53 of chapter 2, Statutes of Nevada 2016, 30th Special Session, at page 54, section 1.7 of chapter 126, Statutes of Nevada 2019, at page 676)

This bill is presented in skeleton form without the many hundreds of changes to various provisions throughout the Nevada Revised Statutes that would be necessary to implement the provisions set forth in this bill.

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

Section 1. NRS 231.700 is hereby amended to read as follows:
231.700 The ~~{Commission}~~ *Nevada Aviation Technical
Advisory Committee* shall:
1. Administer the Fund; and
2. Adopt any regulations necessary or convenient to carry out
the provisions of NRS 231.600 to 231.720, inclusive.



1 **Sec. 2.** Chapter 232 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 3 to 16, inclusive, of this
3 act.

4 **Sec. 3.** *As used in NRS 232.8413 and 232.8415 and sections*
5 *3 to 16, inclusive, of this act, unless the context otherwise requires,*
6 *the words and terms defined in sections 4 and 5 of this act have*
7 *the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.*

8 **Sec. 4.** *“Deputy Director” means the Deputy Director of the*
9 *Office.*

10 **Sec. 5.** *“Office” means the Office of Nevada Boards,*
11 *Commissions and Councils Standards within the Department*
12 *created by NRS 232.8413.*

13 **Sec. 6. 1.** *The Director may appoint a General Counsel of*
14 *the Office and as many deputies to the General Counsel as the*
15 *Director deems necessary to carry out the duties and the functions*
16 *of the Office.*

17 **2.** *The General Counsel and each deputy appointed pursuant*
18 *to subsection 1:*

19 *(a) Is in the unclassified service of the State.*

20 *(b) Must be an attorney in good standing licensed and*
21 *admitted to practice law in this State.*

22 *(c) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 7.065, shall not*
23 *engage in the private practice of law.*

24 **3.** *The Director may retain an attorney other than the*
25 *General Counsel or a deputy appointed pursuant to subsection 1 if*
26 *the Director determines that it is impracticable, uneconomical or*
27 *could constitute a conflict of interest for the legal service to be*
28 *rendered by the General Counsel or a deputy.*

29 **Sec. 7. 1.** *The Office shall periodically conduct a review of*
30 *each board, commission, council and similar body in this State*
31 *within the Executive Department of the State Government which*
32 *is not provided for in the Nevada Constitution or established by an*
33 *executive order of the Governor to determine whether the board,*
34 *commission, council or similar body should be terminated,*
35 *modified, consolidated with another board, commission, council or*
36 *similar body or continued.*

37 **2.** *A review conducted pursuant to subsection 1 must include,*
38 *without limitation:*

39 *(a) An evaluation of the:*

40 *(1) Effectiveness and relevance of the board, commission,*
41 *council or similar body.*

42 *(2) Usefulness and performance of the board, commission,*
43 *council or similar body.*

44 *(3) Cost and resource utilization of the board, commission,*
45 *council or similar body.*



(4) Amount and quality of stakeholder and public engagement of the board, commission, council or similar body.

(b) A comparative analysis between the board, commission, council or similar body and other comparable boards, commissions, councils or similar bodies.

3. A board, commission, council or similar body shall cooperate with the Office in the conducting of a review pursuant to subsection 1 and shall submit to the Office, upon request, any information the Office deems necessary for the conducting of the review.

4. A board, commission, council or similar body subject to a review by the Office has the burden of proving that its continuing existence is justified.

Sec. 8. The Office shall establish a schedule for conducting reviews pursuant to section 7 of this act. The schedule must provide for conducting a review of any advisory body that is subject to termination pursuant to a provision of state legislation described in section 29 of this act before the date on which the board, commission, council or similar body is set to terminate.

Sec. 9. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, at the conclusion of a review conducted pursuant to section 7 of this act, the Deputy Director shall submit to the Governor a recommendation as to whether the board, commission, council or similar body should be terminated, modified, consolidated with another board, commission, council or similar body or continued. The Governor shall, if necessary, request the drafting of a legislative measure pursuant to NRS 218D.175 to effectuate the recommendation.

2. If the board, commission, council or similar body subject to review is an advisory body described in section 29 of this act and, at the conclusion of the review, the Deputy Director finds that:

(a) During the period since the last review conducted of the advisory body, or, if a review has never been conducted, since the creation of the advisory body:

(1) The advice and recommendations of the advisory body has resulted in legislative or administrative action;

(2) The advisory body has complied with its statutory obligations; and

(3) The advisory body has met consistently; and

(b) The duties and responsibilities of the advisory body are not overly duplicative of any other board, commission, council or similar body,



1 ↪ the Deputy Director shall send a notice to the Governor and the
2 Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau recommending the
3 continuation of the advisory body.

4 **Sec. 10.** 1. The Office may, by regulation, establish the
5 procedures and requirements relating to the appointment of
6 members to a board, commission, council or similar body under
7 the purview of the Office pursuant to NRS 232.8415.

8 2. The Office may require any board, commission, council or
9 similar body under the purview of the Office pursuant to NRS
10 232.8415, before entering into a contract of any kind, to submit
11 the contract to and obtain the approval of the Office.

12 **Sec. 11.** 1. The Office shall provide to each board,
13 commission, council or similar body under the purview of the
14 Office pursuant to NRS 232.8415 administrative services,
15 including, without limitation:

- 16 (a) Legal services;
17 (b) Accounting services;
18 (c) Information technology services;
19 (d) Services pertaining to activities designed to influence the
20 passage or defeat of any legislation; and
21 (e) The services of hearing officers to adjudicate contested
22 cases.

23 2. The Office shall, by regulation:

24 (a) Prescribe a fee to cover the costs incurred by the Office for
25 any service provided by the Office pursuant to subsection 1; and

26 (b) Adopt such procedures as the Office may deem appropriate
27 for the billing or collection of such fees from a board, commission,
28 council or similar body to which such a service is provided.

29 3. A board, commission, council or similar body under the
30 purview of the Office pursuant to NRS 232.8415 may not pay any
31 compensation to a natural person or entity other than the Office
32 for a service that the Office provides.

33 4. Any money the Office receives pursuant to this section
34 must be deposited in the State Treasury for credit to the Office of
35 Nevada Boards, Commissions and Councils Standards Account
36 created by section 12 of this act.

37 **Sec. 12.** 1. The Office of Nevada Boards, Commissions and
38 Councils Standards Account is hereby created in the State General
39 Fund. The Account must be administered by the Deputy Director
40 and may be expended only to carry out the provisions of NRS
41 232.8413 and 232.8415 and sections 3 to 16, inclusive, of this act.

42 2. The interest and income earned on the money in the
43 Account, after deducting applicable charges, must be credited to
44 the Account.



3. Any money in the Account and any unexpended appropriations made to the Account from the State General Fund remaining at the end of a fiscal year do not revert to the State General Fund, and the balance in the Account must be carried forward to the next fiscal year.

4. The Deputy Director may apply for and accept any gift, grant, donation or appropriation for deposit in the Account.

Sec. 13. 1. A board, commission, council or similar body under the purview of the Office pursuant to NRS 232.8415 may not request that any person or governmental entity submit to the Legislative Counsel a request for the drafting of a legislative measure on behalf of the board, commission, council or similar body other than as set forth in this section.

2. If a board, commission, council or similar body under the purview of the Office pursuant to NRS 232.8415 wishes that a request for the drafting of a legislative measure be submitted to the Legislative Counsel on behalf of the board, commission, council or similar body, it must submit the request to the Deputy Director for approval. If the Deputy Director approves the request:

(a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b), the Deputy Director shall forward the request to the Governor or the Governor's designated representative. If the Governor or the Governor's designated representative approves the request, he or she may submit the request to the Legislative Counsel pursuant to NRS 218D.175.

(b) If the board, commission, council or similar body is an authorized nonlegislative requester entitled to submit a request for the drafting of a legislative measure pursuant to NRS 218D.175 to 218D.220, inclusive, the board, commission, council or similar body may submit the request to the Legislative Counsel in accordance with the applicable provisions of NRS 218D.175 to 218D.220, inclusive.

Sec. 14. 1. The person appointed by the Governor as the administrative head of the department of the Executive Department of the State Government within which a board, commission, council or similar body is under the purview of the Office pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 232.8415 is responsible for the effective operation of the board, commission, council or similar body and may establish guidelines and requirements to ensure such effective operation.

2. A board, commission, council or similar body under the purview of the Office pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 232.8415 may meet only upon the:

(a) Call of the Chair of the board, commission, council or similar body;



(b) Written request of a majority of the members of the board, commission, council or similar body; or

(c) Call of the administrative head of the department responsible for the effective operation of the board, commission, council or similar body pursuant to subsection 1.

Sec. 15. 1. The Office shall maintain an Internet website through which any board, commission, council or similar body under its purview pursuant to NRS 232.8415 may post information.

2. A board, commission, council or similar body under the purview of the Office pursuant to NRS 232.8415 may not post any information on any Internet website other than the Internet website maintained pursuant to subsection 1.

Sec. 16. The Office may:

1. Have access to, inspect, copy and subpoena all records in the possession of any clerk of a court, law enforcement agency or public or private institution, wherever situated, that relate to its duties.

2. Have access to all written records in the possession of any person, government, governmental agency or political subdivision of a government that relate to its duties.

3. Use the information obtained pursuant to subsections 1 and 2 to resolve matters relating to its duties.

Sec. 17. NRS 232.383 is hereby amended to read as follows:

232.383 1. The Grants Management Advisory Committee is hereby created within the Department.

2. The Advisory Committee consists of the following ~~15~~ **11** members appointed by the Director:

(a) A superintendent of a county school district or the superintendent's designee;

(b) A director of a local agency which provides services for abused or neglected children, or the director's designee;

(c) A member who possesses knowledge, skill and experience in the provision of services to children;

(d) A representative of a department of juvenile justice services;

(e) A member who possesses knowledge, skill and experience in the provision of services to senior citizens;

(f) ~~Two members~~ **A member** who ~~possess~~ **possesses** knowledge, skill and experience in finance or in business generally;

(g) A representative of the Nevada Association of Counties;

(h) A member who possesses knowledge, skill and experience in building partnerships between the public sector and the private sector;



(i) ~~{Two members}~~ **A member** of the public who ~~{possess}~~
possesses knowledge of or experience in the provision of services to
persons or families who are disadvantaged or at risk;

(j) A member who possesses knowledge, skill and experience in
the provision of services to persons with disabilities; **and**

(k) A member who possesses knowledge, skill and experience in
the provision of services relating to the cessation of the use of
tobacco, ~~;~~

~~—(l) A member who possesses knowledge, skill and experience~~
~~in the provision of health services to children ~~;~~ and~~

~~—(m) A representative who is a member of the Nevada~~
~~Commission on Aging, created by NRS 427A.032, who must not be~~
~~a Legislator.} or both. In appointing the member pursuant to this~~
~~paragraph, the Director must give preference to a person who~~
~~possesses knowledge, skill and experience in both the provision of~~
~~services relating to the cessation of the use of tobacco and the~~
~~provision of health services to children.~~

3. An entity who employs a member of the Advisory
Committee is not eligible to receive a grant. This subsection does
not prohibit an entity that serves solely as the fiscal agent for a
recipient of a grant from employing a member of the Advisory
Committee.

4. The Director shall ensure that, insofar as practicable, the
members whom the Director appoints reflect the ethnic and
geographical diversity of this State.

5. After the initial terms, each member of the Advisory
Committee serves for a term of 2 years. Each member of the
Advisory Committee continues in office until his or her successor is
appointed. **A member may not serve more than two terms.**

~~6. {Each member of the Advisory Committee who is not an~~
~~officer or employee of this State or a political subdivision of this~~
~~State is entitled to receive a salary of not more than \$80 per day,~~
~~fixed by the Director, while engaged in the business of the Advisory~~
~~Committee.~~

~~—7.}~~ While engaged in the business of the Advisory Committee,
each member of the Advisory Committee is entitled to receive the
per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers
and employees generally.

~~{8.}~~ 7. A majority of the members of the Advisory Committee
constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business, and a majority
of a quorum present at any meeting is sufficient for any official
action taken by the Advisory Committee.

~~{9.}~~ 8. A member of the Advisory Committee who is an officer
or employee of this State or a political subdivision of this State must
be relieved from his or her duties without loss of regular



1 compensation to prepare for and attend meetings of the Advisory
2 Committee and perform any work necessary to carry out the duties
3 of the Advisory Committee in the most timely manner practicable.
4 A state agency or political subdivision of this State shall not require
5 an officer or employee who is a member of the Advisory Committee
6 to:

7 (a) Make up the time he or she is absent from work to carry out
8 his or her duties as a member of the Advisory Committee; or

9 (b) Take annual leave or compensatory time for the absence.

10 ~~10.~~ 9. The Advisory Committee shall:

11 (a) At its first meeting and annually thereafter, elect a Chair
12 from among its members; *and*

13 (b) ~~Meet at the call of the Director, the Chair or a majority of its~~
14 ~~members as necessary, within the budget of the Advisory~~
15 ~~Committee, but not to exceed six meetings per year; and~~

16 ~~—(c)—~~ Adopt rules for its own management and government.

17 **Sec. 18.** NRS 232.4855 is hereby amended to read as follows:

18 232.4855 1. The ~~{State of Nevada Advisory Council}~~
19 *Subcommittee* on Palliative Care and Quality of Life *of the State*
20 *Board of Health* is hereby created. ~~{within the Department.}~~

21 2. The ~~{Director}~~ *State Board of Health* shall appoint such
22 number of members of the ~~{Council}~~ *Subcommittee* as ~~{he or she}~~
23 *the Board* determines is appropriate to carry out the provisions of
24 NRS 232.485 to 232.4858, inclusive, but not less than nine members
25 as follows:

26 (a) Two members with experience in the provision of
27 interdisciplinary palliative care, including, without limitation,
28 hospital, medical, nursing, social work, pharmacy, financial and
29 spiritual services;

30 (b) One member with a background in patient and family
31 caregiver advocacy;

32 (c) One member who is a health care professional with clinical
33 experience in palliative care;

34 (d) One member who is a health care professional with expertise
35 in delivery models for palliative care in a variety of inpatient,
36 outpatient and community settings and with diverse populations;

37 (e) Two members who are employees of the Department or any
38 other state agency, board or commission who have relevant work
39 experience related to palliative care and issues concerning quality of
40 life; and

41 (f) Two members who are board certified hospice and palliative
42 care physicians or nurses.

43 3. After the initial terms, the term of each member of the
44 ~~{Council}~~ *Subcommittee* is 3 years, and members shall serve at the
45 pleasure of the ~~{Director.}~~ *State Board of Health.*



4. The ~~{Council}~~ Subcommittee shall select from its members a Chair and a Vice Chair who shall hold office for 1 year and whose duties will be established by the ~~{Council}~~ Subcommittee.

5. The ~~{Council}~~ Subcommittee shall meet at least twice annually at a time and place specified by a call of the ~~{Director}~~ State Board of Health.

6. Each member of the ~~{Council}~~ Subcommittee:

(a) Serves without compensation; and

(b) While engaged in the business of the ~~{Council}~~ Subcommittee, is entitled to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally to the extent that funds for such expenses are available within the budget of the Department.

Sec. 19. NRS 232.4966 is hereby amended to read as follows:

232.4966 1. The Council on Food Security is hereby created within the Department. The Council consists of:

(a) The Governor or his or her designee;

(b) The Director or his or her designee from within the Department;

(c) The Administrator of the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services of the Department or his or her designee from within the Division;

(d) The Regional Administrator for the Western Regional Office of the United States Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service or his or her designee from within the United States Department of Agriculture;

(e) The Executive Director of the Office of Economic Development or his or her designee from within the Office; **and**

~~(f) {The Administrator of the Division of Public and Behavioral Health of the Department or his or her designee from within the Division;~~

~~—(g) The Superintendent of Public Instruction or his or her designee from within the Department of Education;~~

~~—(h) The Director of the State Department of Agriculture or his or her designee from within the Department;~~

~~—(i) The Administrator of the Aging and Disability Services Division of the Department or his or her designee from within the Division;~~

~~—(j) Five~~ Six members appointed by the ~~{Governor}~~ Director as follows:

(1) One member who is a representative of retailers of food;

(2) ~~{One member who is a representative of manufacturing that is not related to food;~~

~~—(3) One member who is a representative of the gaming industry, hospitality industry or restaurant industry;~~



1 ~~—— (4) One member who is a representative of farmers or~~
2 ~~ranchers engaged in food production; and~~

3 ~~—— (5) (3) One member who is a representative of persons~~
4 ~~engaged in the business of processing or distributing food;~~

5 ~~—— (k) At least five members appointed by the Governor or the~~
6 ~~Director at the direction of the Governor from among the following~~
7 ~~persons:~~

8 ~~—— (1) A person~~ who is a representative of a food bank serving
9 northern **or southern** Nevada;

10 ~~—— (2) A person who is a representative of a food bank serving~~
11 ~~southern Nevada;~~

12 ~~—— (3) A person~~

13 **(4) One member** who is a representative of an organization
14 that provides community-based services, including, without
15 limitation, services that focus on the social determinants of health ;
16 ~~in northern Nevada;~~

17 ~~—— (4) A person who is a representative of an organization that~~
18 ~~provides community-based services, including, without limitation,~~
19 ~~services that focus on the social determinants of health, in southern~~
20 ~~Nevada;~~

21 ~~—— (5) A person who is a representative of an organization that~~
22 ~~provides community-based services, including, without limitation,~~
23 ~~services that focus on the social determinants of health, in rural~~
24 ~~Nevada;~~

25 ~~—— (6) A person who is a representative of the University of~~
26 ~~Nevada Cooperative Extension;~~

27 ~~—— (7) A person~~

28 **(5) One member** who possesses knowledge, skill and experience
29 in the provision of services to senior citizens and persons with
30 disabilities; **and**

31 ~~—— (8) A person who is a representative of a local health~~
32 ~~authority; and~~

33 ~~—— (9) A person~~

34 **(6) One member** who possesses knowledge, skill and experience
35 in the provision of services to children and families . ~~and~~

36 ~~—— (l) Such other representatives of State Government as may be~~
37 ~~designated by the Governor.~~

38 2. The Governor or his or her designee shall serve as the Chair
39 of the Council.

40 3. Each appointed member of the Council serves a term of 2
41 years. Each appointed member may be reappointed at the pleasure
42 of the appointing authority, except that an appointed member may
43 not serve for more than ~~three consecutive~~ **two** terms . ~~for 6~~
44 ~~consecutive years.~~



4. If a vacancy occurs in the appointed membership of the Council, the Council shall recommend a person to the appointing authority who appointed that member to fill the vacancy. The appointing authority shall appoint a replacement member after receiving and considering the recommendation of the Council. A member appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve as a member of the Council for the remainder of the original term of appointment and may be reappointed for ~~two~~ *an* additional ~~{consecutive terms}~~ *term* through the regular appointment process.

5. The appointing authority may remove a member for malfeasance in office or neglect of duty. Absences from three consecutive meetings constitutes good and sufficient cause for removal of a member.

6. Each member of the Council:

(a) Serves without compensation; and

(b) While engaged in the business of the Council, is entitled to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally.

7. ~~{The}~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 11 of this act, the* Department of Health and Human Services shall provide administrative support to the Council.

8. ~~{The Council shall meet at least once each calendar quarter and may meet at such further times as deemed necessary by the Chair.~~

~~—9.}~~ The Council may apply for and accept gifts, grants, donations and contributions from any source for the purpose of carrying out its duties pursuant to NRS 232.4968.

Sec. 20. NRS 232.570 is hereby amended to read as follows:

232.570 1. There is hereby created in the Division an Advisory Council composed of seven members appointed by the ~~{Governor.}~~ *Director.*

2. The Advisory Council must be composed of:

(a) Three representatives of labor, at least two of whom must represent organized labor;

(b) Three representatives of management, at least two of whom must represent employers who employ at least 250 persons; and

(c) One representative of the general public who is knowledgeable in the field of industrial relations.

3. *Each member of the Council serves a term of 2 years. A member of the Council may not serve more than two terms.*

4. Any member who is appointed to fill a vacancy must be appointed in the same manner and possess the same general qualifications as his or her predecessor in office.



Sec. 21. NRS 232.580 is hereby amended to read as follows:

232.580 1. The Council ~~{shall meet at least once annually at a time and place specified by a call of the Chair, the Administrator or a majority of the Council. Special meetings, not to exceed six per year, may be held at the call of the Chair, the Administrator or a majority of the Council.}~~

~~—2. The Council}~~ shall select from its members a Chair and a Vice Chair who shall hold office for 1 year. The Administrator shall act as Secretary of the Council.

~~{3.}~~ 2. The Council may prescribe such bylaws as it deems necessary for its operation.

~~{4.}~~ 3. Four members of the Council constitute a quorum, and a quorum may exercise all the power and authority conferred on the Council.

Sec. 22. NRS 232.590 is hereby amended to read as follows:

232.590 Each member of the Council *serves without compensation but* is entitled to receive ~~{a salary of \$60 for each day's attendance at a meeting of the Council.}~~ *the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally for attending a meeting of the Council or while engaged in the official business of the Council.*

Sec. 23. NRS 232.8413 is hereby amended to read as follows:

232.8413 1. The Office of Nevada Boards, Commissions and Councils Standards is hereby created within the Department of Business and Industry.

2. The Director shall ~~{appoint}~~ :

(a) Appoint a Deputy Director of the Office ~~{and shall retain}~~ ;

(b) Retain the required staff ~~{and adopt the necessary regulations and procedures}~~ to effectively administer the responsibilities of the Office ~~{.}~~ *, which may include, without limitation, hearing officers, accountants and any other professional, clerical and operational employees as the operation of the Office may require; and*

(c) Adopt the necessary regulations and procedures to effectively administer the responsibilities of the Office.

Sec. 24. NRS 232.8415 is hereby amended to read as follows:

232.8415 1. The Office ~~{of Nevada Boards, Commissions and Councils Standards}~~ shall be responsible for:

(a) Centralized administration;

(b) A uniform set of standards for investigations, licensing and discipline, including, without limitation, separating the roles and responsibilities for occupational licensure from the roles and responsibilities for occupational discipline;

(c) A uniform set of standards for internal controls;

(d) A uniform set of standards for legal representation;



(e) A consistent set of structural standards for boards and commissions;

(f) Transparency and consumer protection; and

(g) Efficacy and efficiency.

2. To the extent permitted by the Nevada Constitution and federal law, all professional and occupational licensing boards created by the Legislature shall be under the purview of the Office, including, without limitation:

(a) The Nevada State Board of Accountancy created by NRS 628.035.

(b) The ~~{Board of Examiners for Alcohol, Drug and Gambling Counselors created by NRS 641C.150.}~~ *Nevada Behavioral Wellness Alliance Board created by section 93 of this act.*

(c) The ~~{State Board of Architecture, Interior Design and Residential Design created by NRS 623.050.}~~ *Nevada Board of Professional Design and Environmental Specialist created by section 80 of this act.*

(d) The ~~{Board of Athletic Trainers created by NRS 640B.170.}~~ *Nevada Board of Healing and Rehabilitative Practice created by section 89 of this act.*

(e) The State Barbers' Health and Sanitation Board created by NRS 643.020.

(f) The ~~{Board of Applied Behavior Analysis created by NRS 641D.200.}~~

~~—(g) The Chiropractic Physicians' Board of Nevada created by NRS 634.020.~~

~~—(h) The~~ State Contractors' Board created by NRS 624.040.

~~{(i)}~~ (g) The Commission on Construction Education created by NRS 624.570.

~~{(j)}~~ (h) The State Board of Cosmetology created by NRS 644A.200.

~~{(k)}~~ (i) The Certified Court Reporters' Board of Nevada created by NRS 656.040.

~~{(l)}~~ (j) The Board of Dental Examiners of Nevada created by NRS 631.120.

~~{(m)} The Committee on Dental Hygiene and Dental Therapy created by NRS 631.205.~~

~~—(n) The State Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors created by NRS 625.100.~~

~~—(o)}~~ (k) The Nevada Funeral and Cemetery Services Board created by NRS 642.020.

~~{(p)}~~ (l) The Nevada *Medical* Board ~~{of Homeopathic Medical Examiners}~~ created ~~{pursuant to NRS 630A.100.}~~

~~—(q) The State Board of Landscape Architecture created by NRS 623A.080.~~



~~—(r) The Board of Examiners for Marriage and Family Therapists and Clinical Professional Counselors created by NRS 641A.090.~~

~~—(s) The Board of Massage Therapy created by NRS 640C.150.~~

~~—(t) The Board of Medical Examiners created pursuant to NRS 630.050.~~

~~—(u)}~~ **by section 86 of this act.**

(m) The State Board of Nursing created by NRS 632.020.

~~—(v) The Advisory Committee on Nursing Assistants and Medication Aides created by NRS 632.072.~~

~~—(w) The Board of Occupational Therapy created by NRS 640A.080.~~

~~—(x) The Board of Dispensing Opticians created by NRS 637.030.~~

~~—(y)}~~ **(n)** The Nevada ~~{State}~~ Board of ~~{Optometry}~~ **Vision, Speech and Mobility Professions** created by ~~{NRS 636.030.}~~

~~—(z) The State Board of Oriental Medicine created by NRS 634A.030.~~

~~—(aa) The State Board of Osteopathic Medicine created pursuant to NRS 633.181.~~

~~—(bb)}~~ **section 91 of this act.**

(o) The Commission on Postsecondary Education created by NRS 394.383.

~~—(cc)}~~ **(p)** The State Board of Pharmacy created by NRS 639.020.

~~—(dd) The Nevada Physical Therapy Board created by NRS 640.030.~~

~~—(ee) The State Board of Podiatry created by NRS 635.020.~~

~~—(ff)}~~ **(q)** The Private Investigator's Licensing Board created by NRS 648.020.

~~—(gg) The Board of Psychological Examiners created by NRS 641.030.~~

~~—(hh) The Board of Environmental Health Specialists created by NRS 625A.030.~~

~~—(ii) The Board of Examiners for Social Workers created pursuant to NRS 641B.100.~~

~~—(jj) The Speech Language Pathology, Audiology and Hearing Aid Dispensing Board created by NRS 637B.100.~~

~~—(kk)}~~ **(r)** The Nevada State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners created by NRS 638.020.

3. The following boards, commissions, councils and similar bodies shall be under the purview of the Office:

(a) The State Council on Libraries and Literacy created by NRS 380A.031.

(b) The State Records and Historical Advisory Council created by section 30 of this act.



(c) *The Nevada Merit and Honors Board created by section 32 of this act.*

(d) *The State Predatory Animal and Rodent Committee created by NRS 567.020.*

(e) *The Advisory Council created by NRS 232.570.*

(f) *The Private Activity Bond Council created by NRS 348A.050.*

(g) *The Advisory Committee on Housing created by NRS 319.174.*

(h) *The Advisory Council on Mortgage Investments and Mortgage Lending created by NRS 645B.019.*

(i) *The Nevada Commission on Minority Affairs created by NRS 232.852.*

(j) *The State Outdoor Recreation and Education Advisory Council within the Department created by section 51 of this act.*

(k) *The Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles in the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources created by NRS 490.067.*

(l) *The Land Use Planning Advisory Council created by NRS 321.740.*

(m) *The Well Drillers' Advisory Board created pursuant to NRS 534.150.*

(n) *The Advisory Committee on School and Staff Safety in the Department of Education created by section 43 of this act.*

(o) *The Nevada Commission on Innovation, Excellence and Education Workforce Development in the Department of Education created by section 38 of this act.*

(p) *The Commission on School Funding created by NRS 387.1246.*

(q) *The Nevada Commission on Mentoring created by NRS 385.760.*

(r) *The State Council for the Coordination of the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children created by NRS 388F.020.*

(s) *The Teachers and Leaders Council of Nevada created by NRS 391.455.*

(t) *The Advisory Council for Family Engagement created pursuant to NRS 385.610.*

(u) *The Nevada Interscholastic Activities Association created pursuant to NRS 385B.050.*

(v) *The State Financial Literacy Advisory Council created by NRS 388.5966.*

(w) *The Committee on Responses to Power-Based Violence in Schools in the Department of Education created by NRS 388.1326.*



(x) The Advisory Committee on Language Development for Children Who Are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Blind or Visually Impaired in the Department of Education created pursuant to NRS 388.5175.

(y) The Nevada Emergency Response and Disaster Coordination Board created by section 52 of this act.

(z) The Board for the Education and Counseling of Displaced Homemakers created by NRS 388.615.

(aa) The Nevada Committee of Vendors Who Are Blind elected pursuant to NRS 426.670 and 34 C.F.R. § 395.14.

(bb) The Advisory Committee on Problem Gambling created by NRS 458A.060.

(cc) A regional behavioral health policy board created by NRS 433.429.

(dd) The Nevada Commission on Aging and Cognitive Health created by section 60 of this act.

(ee) The Council on Food Security within the Department of Health and Human Services created by NRS 232.4966.

(ff) The Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council established by NRS 432A.076.

(gg) The Patient Protection Commission within the Office of the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services created by NRS 439.908.

(hh) The Advisory Committee for a Resilient Nevada within the Department of Health and Human Services created by NRS 433.726.

(ii) The Advisory Committee on Medicaid Innovation in the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy of the Department of Health and Human Services created by NRS 422.162.

(jj) The Committee to Review Suicide Fatalities within the Department of Health and Human Services created by NRS 439.5104.

(kk) The committee appointed pursuant to NRS 422A.660.

(ll) The Wellness and Prevention Advisory Council created by section 65 of this act.

(mm) The Grants Management Advisory Committee within the Department of Health and Human Services created by NRS 232.383.

(nn) The Health Care Workforce Working Group within the Department of Health and Human Services established pursuant to NRS 439A.118.

(oo) The Advisory Board on Maternal and Child Health created by NRS 442.133.



1 (pp) *The Maternal Mortality Review Committee within the*
2 *Department of Health and Human Services established by*
3 *NRS 442.764.*

4 (qq) *The Medicaid Advisory Committee in the Division of*
5 *Health Care Financing and Policy of the Department of Health*
6 *and Human Services created by NRS 422.151.*

7 (rr) *The Beneficiary Advisory Council within the Division of*
8 *Health Care Financing and Policy of the Department of Health*
9 *and Human Services created by section 55 of this act.*

10 (ss) *The Advisory Committee in the Office of Minority Health*
11 *and Equity of the Department of Health and Human Services*
12 *created by NRS 232.482.*

13 (tt) *The Silver State Scripts Board created within the*
14 *Department of Health and Human Services pursuant to*
15 *NRS 422.4035.*

16 (uu) *The Vulnerable Adult Fatality Review Committee within*
17 *the Department of Health and Human Services established by*
18 *NRS 427A.920.*

19 (vv) *The Advisory Committee on the State Program for Oral*
20 *Health within the Department of Health and Human Services*
21 *created by NRS 439.2792.*

22 (ww) *The Advisory Board on Maternal and Child Health*
23 *created by NRS 442.133.*

24 (xx) *The Nevada Children's Mental and Behavioral Health*
25 *Consortium created by section 64 of this act.*

26 (yy) *The Executive Committee to Review the Death of Children*
27 *established pursuant to NRS 432B.409.*

28 (zz) *Any advisory council or committee created by the*
29 *Commissioner of Insurance pursuant to NRS 679B.160.*

30 (aaa) *The State of Nevada Human Trafficking Coalition*
31 *formed pursuant to NRS 217.098.*

32 (bbb) *Any advisory body established by the Administrator*
33 *pursuant to NRS 439A.170 to advise the Administrator on matters*
34 *concerning the Physician Visa Waiver Program.*

35 (ccc) *The Committee to Review Child Support Guidelines*
36 *created by NRS 425.610.*

37 (ddd) *The advisory committee created pursuant to subsection 8*
38 *of NRS 445B.830.*

39 (eee) *The Nevada Indian Commission within the Department*
40 *of Native American Affairs created by NRS 233A.1005.*

41 (fff) *The Committee on Testing for Intoxication created by*
42 *NRS 484C.600.*

43 (ggg) *The Nevada Sentencing Commission within the*
44 *Department of Sentencing Policy created by NRS 176.0133.*



1 (hhh) *The Nevada Local Justice Reinvestment Coordinating*
2 *Council created by NRS 176.014.*

3 (iii) *The Subcommittee on Misdemeanors of the Sentencing*
4 *Commission created by NRS 176.01332.*

5 (jjj) *The Appraiser's Certification Board established by*
6 *NRS 361.221.*

7 (kkk) *The Committee on Local Government Finance created*
8 *by NRS 354.105.*

9 (III) *The Board of Museums and History created by*
10 *NRS 381.002.*

11 (mmm) *The Nevada Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board*
12 *created by NRS 408.573.*

13 (nnn) *The Board of Directors of the Nevada State*
14 *Infrastructure Bank within the Office of the Treasurer established*
15 *by NRS 226.778.*

16 (ooo) *The Advisory Committee on Traffic Safety within the*
17 *Department of Transportation created by NRS 408.581.*

18 (ppp) *The Interagency Council on Veterans Affairs created by*
19 *NRS 417.0191.*

20 (qqq) *The Nevada Veterans Services Commission created by*
21 *NRS 417.150.*

22 (rrr) *The Advisory Committee for a Veterans Cemetery in*
23 *Northern Nevada created by NRS 417.230.*

24 (sss) *The Advisory Committee for a Veterans Cemetery in*
25 *Southern Nevada created by NRS 417.230.*

26 (ttt) *The Women Veterans Advisory Committee created by*
27 *NRS 417.320.*

28 (uuu) *The Regional Transmission Coordination Task Force*
29 *created by NRS 704.79887.*

30 (vvv) *The Nevada Advisory Council on Federal Assistance*
31 *created by NRS 358.020.*

32 (www) *The Informational Technology Advisory Board created*
33 *by NRS 242.122.*

34 (xxx) *The Advisory Council on Graduate Medical Education*
35 *within the Office of Science, Innovation and Technology created*
36 *by NRS 223.633.*

37 (yyy) *The California-Nevada Super Speed Ground*
38 *Transportation Commission created by NRS 705.4293.*

39 **Sec. 25.** NRS 232.864 is hereby amended to read as follows:

40 232.864 1. ~~{The Director}~~ *Except as otherwise provided in*
41 *section 11 of this act, the Office of Minority Health and Equity of*
42 *the Department of Health and Human Services* shall provide staff
43 assistance to the Commission as the Governor deems appropriate.



2. The Commission may engage the services of volunteer workers and consultants without compensation as is necessary from time to time.

Sec. 26. NRS 233.030 is hereby amended to read as follows:

233.030 1. The Nevada Equal Rights Commission, consisting of ~~five~~ **eight** members appointed by the Governor, is hereby created.

2. *The Governor shall appoint to the Commission:*

(a) *The following voting members:*

(1) *One member who represents an advocacy organization whose membership consists of persons with disabilities.*

(2) *One member who is a member of the Nevada Association of the Deaf or one member who is deaf or hard of hearing.*

(3) *One member who is an expert on diversity and inclusion.*

(4) *One member who is an educator or an academic with expertise in diversity.*

(5) *One member who is deaf, hard of hearing or speech-impaired.*

(6) *One member who serves as a public advocate for an organization that advocates for public education or civil rights.*

(7) *One member who is the parent or guardian of a child with disabilities.*

(b) *One nonvoting member who is employed by the State and who participates in the administration of the programs of this State that provide services to persons with disabilities.*

3. Each member of the Commission is entitled to receive a salary of not more than \$80, as fixed by the Commission, for each day actually employed on the work of the Commission.

~~3.4~~ 4. While engaged in the business of the Commission, each member and employee of the Commission is entitled to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally.

Sec. 27. NRS 0.040 is hereby amended to read as follows:

0.040 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, “physician” means a person who engages in the practice of medicine, including osteopathy . ~~[and homeopathy.]~~

2. The terms “physician,” “osteopathic physician,” ~~“homeopathic physician,”~~ “chiropractic physician” and “podiatric physician” are used in chapters 630, ~~[630A.]~~ 633, 634 and 635 of NRS in the limited senses prescribed by those chapters respectively.

Sec. 28. NRS 62B.600 is hereby amended to read as follows:

62B.600 1. The Juvenile Justice Oversight Commission is hereby established.



2. The Commission consists of the Governor or his or her designee and ~~{25}~~ **11** members appointed by the Governor. The Governor shall appoint to the Commission:

(a) ~~{Two members}~~ **One member** nominated by the Senate, who ~~{are}~~ **is** not ~~{members}~~ **a member** of the Senate or **a** public ~~{officers.}~~ **officer**.

(b) ~~{Two members}~~ **One member** nominated by the Assembly, who ~~{are}~~ **is** not ~~{members}~~ **a member** of the Assembly or **a** public ~~{officers.}~~ **officer**.

(c) ~~{Two members}~~ **One member** nominated by the Supreme Court, who ~~{are}~~ **is** not ~~{judges, justices}~~ **a judge, justice** or public ~~{officers.}~~ **officer**.

(d) The Administrator of the Division of Child and Family Services or his or her designee.

(e) The Deputy Administrator of Juvenile Services of the Division of Child and Family Services or his or her designee.

(f) Three members who are directors of juvenile services, one each of whom must represent a county whose population:

(1) Is less than 100,000.

(2) Is 100,000 or more but less than 700,000.

(3) Is 700,000 or more.

(g) ~~{Two members}~~ **One member** who ~~{are}~~ **is** **a** district ~~{attorneys.}~~ **attorney**.

(h) ~~{Two members}~~ **One member** who ~~{are}~~ **is** **a** public ~~{defenders.}~~ **defender**.

(i) One member who is a representative of a law enforcement agency.

~~{(j) Two members who are representatives of a nonprofit organization which provides programs to prevent juvenile delinquency.}~~

~~{(k) One member who is a volunteer who works with children who have been adjudicated delinquent.}~~

~~{(l) Six members who are under the age of 24 years at the time of appointment.}~~

3. At least three of the persons appointed to the Commission pursuant to subsection 2 must be persons who are currently or were formerly subject to the jurisdiction of the juvenile court.

4. Each appointed member serves a term of 2 years. Members may be reappointed for **one** additional ~~{terms}~~ **term** of 2 years in the same manner as the original appointments. Any vacancy occurring in the membership of the Commission must be filled in the same manner as the original appointment not later than 30 days after the vacancy occurs. Nine of the initial members of the Commission who are appointed pursuant to subsection 2 must be appointed to an



1 initial term of 1 year. Each member of the Commission continues in
2 office until his or her successor is appointed.

3 5. The members of the Commission serve without
4 compensation but are entitled to receive the per diem allowance and
5 travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally.

6 6. A majority of the members of the Commission constitutes a
7 quorum for the transaction of business, and a majority of a quorum
8 present at any meeting is sufficient for any official action taken by
9 the Commission.

10 7. A member of the Commission who is an officer or employee
11 of this State or a political subdivision of this State must be relieved
12 from his or her duties without loss of regular compensation to
13 prepare for and attend meetings of the Commission and perform any
14 work necessary to carry out the duties of the Commission in the
15 most timely manner practicable. A state agency or political
16 subdivision of this State shall not require an officer or employee
17 who is a member of the Commission to:

18 (a) Make up the time he or she is absent from work to carry out
19 his or her duties as a member of the Commission; or

20 (b) Take annual leave or compensatory time for the absence.

21 8. At the first meeting of the Commission and annually
22 thereafter:

23 (a) The Governor shall appoint a Chair of the Commission;

24 (b) The Commission shall elect a Secretary from among its
25 members; and

26 (c) The Commission shall adopt rules for its own management
27 and government.

28 9. ~~The Commission shall:~~

29 ~~—(a) Hold its first meeting within 60 days after all the initial~~
30 ~~appointments to the Commission are made pursuant to subsection 2;~~
31 ~~and~~

32 ~~—(b) Meet at least once every 4 months and may meet at such~~
33 ~~further times as deemed necessary by the Chair.~~

34 ~~—10.1~~ As used in this section, “public officer” has the meaning
35 ascribed to it in NRS 205.4627.

36 **Sec. 29.** Chapter 218D of NRS is hereby amended by adding
37 thereto a new section to read as follows:

38 ***1. Any legislative measure enacted on or after July 1, 2026,***
39 ***which contains a provision creating an advisory body must provide***
40 ***for:***

41 ***(a) The expiration by limitation of the provision 2 years after***
42 ***the effective date of the provision unless, before that date, the***
43 ***Deputy Director of the Office of Nevada Boards, Commissions and***
44 ***Councils Standards submits to the Governor and the Director of***
45 ***the Legislative Counsel Bureau a notice pursuant to subsection 2***



of section 9 of this act recommending the continuation of the advisory body.

(b) The extension of the period in which the provision is effective each time the Deputy Director submits to the Governor and the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau a notice pursuant to subsection 2 of section 9 of this act recommending the continuation of the advisory body for 2 years after the date on which the notice is submitted.

2. As used in this section, “advisory body” means a board, commission, council or similar body within the Executive Department of the State Government whose primary duties are the rendering of advice or the making of recommendations to another person or governmental entity. The term does not include a subcommittee created within a board, commission, council or similar body which provides advice or makes recommendations to the board, commission, council or similar body in which it was created.

Sec. 30. Chapter 239 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. The State Records and Historical Advisory Council, consisting of nine members, is hereby created within the Department of Administration.

2. The Council consists of:

(a) The Attorney General.

(b) The Secretary of State.

(c) The Chief of the Office of the Chief Information Officer within the Office of the Governor.

(d) The State Library, Archives and Public Records Administrator.

(e) The person who is in charge of the archives and records of the Division of State Library, Archives and Public Records of the Department of Administration. This person is the State Historical Records Coordinator for the purposes of 36 C.F.R. § 1206.42.

(f) Four members appointed by the Director of the Department of Administration as follows:

(1) One member who is a person in charge of a state-funded historical agency who has responsibilities related to archives or records, or to both archives and records.

(2) Two members who have experience in the administration of historical records or archives. These members must represent as broadly as possible the various public and private archive and research institutions and organizations in the State.

(3) One member who is a representative of the general public.



Sec. 31. Chapter 284 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. The Committee on Human Resources, consisting of seven members appointed by the Governor, is hereby created within the Department of Administration.

2. The Governor shall appoint to the Committee:

(a) One member who is a representative of managers within the Executive Department of the State Government.

(b) One member who is a representative of employees within the Executive Department of the State Government.

(c) One member who is a representative of employers or managers within the Executive Department of the State Government and who has a background in personnel administration.

(d) One member who is an executive officer of a State agency.

(e) One member who is a representative of labor.

(f) Two members who are representatives of the general public.

Sec. 32. Chapter 285 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. The Nevada Merit and Honors Board is hereby created within the Department of Administration.

2. The Board must be composed of five members who are residents of this State as follows:

(a) One member from the Budget Division of the Office of Finance in the Office of the Governor, appointed by the Chief of the Budget Division.

(b) One member from the Division of Human Resource Management of the Department of Administration, appointed by the Administrator of the Division.

(c) Three members appointed by the Governor.

Sec. 33. NRS 354.105 is hereby amended to read as follows:

354.105 1. The Committee on Local Government Finance, consisting of ~~{11}~~ seven members, is hereby created.

2. The following associations shall each appoint ~~{three}~~ two members to serve on the Committee:

(a) Nevada League of Cities;

(b) Nevada Association of County Commissioners; and

(c) Nevada Association of School Boards.

3. The Nevada State Board of Accountancy shall appoint ~~{two members}~~ one member to serve on the Committee.

4. Each appointment must be for a term of ~~{3}~~ 2 years . ~~{, and each}~~ Each member appointed may be reappointed ~~{to additional}~~ but may not serve more than two terms.



5. A vacancy must be filled as soon as practicable by the appointing authority of the person who vacated the seat.

6. If any of the associations listed in subsection 2 cease to exist, the appointments required by subsection 2 must be made by the association's successor in interest or, if there is no successor in interest, one each by the other appointing authorities.

7. The members of the Committee shall elect by majority vote a member as Chair and another member as Vice Chair, who shall serve for terms of ~~{3}~~ 2 years or until their successors are elected.

~~8. {The Committee shall meet not less than twice per year and may meet at other times upon the call of the Chair or a majority of the members of the Committee.}~~

~~—9.~~ A majority of the members of the Committee constitutes a quorum, and a quorum may exercise all the power and authority conferred on the Committee.

~~{10.}~~ 9. Members of the Committee serve without compensation, except that for each day or portion of a day during which a member of the Committee attends a meeting of the Committee or is otherwise engaged in the business of the Committee, the member is entitled to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally.

~~{11.—The}~~

10. Except as otherwise provided in section 11 of this act, the Department of Taxation shall provide administrative support to the Committee.

Sec. 34. NRS 380A.031 is hereby amended to read as follows:

380A.031 1. The State Council on Libraries and Literacy is hereby created. The Council is advisory to the Division of State Library, Archives and Public Records of the Department of Administration.

2. The Council consists of ~~{11}~~ *seven* members appointed by the ~~{Governor.}~~ *Director of the Department of Administration.* Unless specifically appointed to a shorter term, the term of office of a member of the Council is ~~{3}~~ 2 years and commences on July 1 of the year of appointment. The terms of office of the members of the Council must be staggered to result in, as nearly as possible, the appointment of three or four members to the Council on July 1 of each year. *An appointed member may not serve more than two terms.*

Sec. 35. NRS 380A.041 is hereby amended to read as follows:

380A.041 1. The ~~{Governor}~~ *Director of the Department of Administration* shall appoint to the Council:

(a) A representative of public libraries;

(b) ~~{A trustee of a legally established library or library system;}~~



1 ~~—(e)~~ A representative of school libraries;
2 ~~{(d)}~~ (c) A representative of academic libraries;
3 ~~{(e)}~~ (d) A representative of special libraries or institutional
4 libraries;

5 ~~{(f)}~~ (e) A representative of persons with disabilities;
6 ~~{(g)}~~ ~~A representative of the public who uses these libraries;~~
7 ~~—(h)~~ ~~A representative of recognized state labor organizations;~~
8 ~~—(i)~~ ~~A representative of private sector employers;~~
9 ~~—(j)}~~ (f) A representative of private literacy organizations,
10 voluntary literacy organizations or community-based literacy
11 organizations; and

12 ~~{(k)}~~ (g) A classroom teacher who has demonstrated
13 outstanding results in teaching children or adults to read.

14 2. The director of the following state agencies or their
15 designees shall serve as ex officio members of the Council:

16 (a) The Department of Administration;
17 (b) The Department of Education;
18 (c) The Department of Employment, Training and
19 Rehabilitation;

20 (d) The Department of Health and Human Services;

21 (e) The Office of Economic Development; and

22 (f) The Department of Corrections.

23 3. Officers of State Government whose agencies provide
24 funding for literacy services may be designated by the ~~{Governor}~~
25 **Director of the Department of Administration** or the Chair of the
26 Council to serve whenever matters within the jurisdiction of the
27 agency are considered by the Council.

28 4. The ~~{Governor}~~ **Director of the Department of**
29 **Administration** shall ensure that there is appropriate representation
30 on the Council of urban and rural areas of the State, women, persons
31 with disabilities, and racial and ethnic minorities.

32 5. A person may not serve as a member of the Council for
33 more than two ~~{consecutive}~~ terms.

34 **Sec. 36.** NRS 381.002 is hereby amended to read as follows:

35 381.002 1. The Board of Museums and History, consisting of
36 ~~{twelve}~~ **seven** members appointed by the ~~{Governor,}~~ **Director**, is
37 hereby created.

38 2. The ~~{Governor}~~ **Director** shall appoint to the Board:

39 (a) ~~{Five}~~ **Three** representatives of the general public who are
40 knowledgeable about museums, one of whom must be a person with
41 a disability.

42 (b) ~~{Six}~~ **Three** members ~~{representing the fields of history,~~
43 ~~prehistoric archeology, historical archeology, architectural history,~~
44 ~~and architecture}~~ with qualifications as defined by the Secretary of



Interior's standards for historic preservation in **any of** the following fields:

- (1) ~~{One member who is qualified in history;}~~ **History;**
- (2) ~~{One member who is qualified in prehistoric}~~ **Prehistoric** archeology;
- (3) ~~{One member who is qualified in historic}~~ **Historic** archeology;
- (4) ~~{One member who is qualified in architectural}~~ **Architectural** history; **or**
- (5) ~~{One member who is qualified as an architect; and~~
- ~~(6) One additional member who is qualified, as defined by the Secretary of Interior's standards for historic preservation, in any of the fields of expertise described in subparagraphs (1) to (5), inclusive.}~~ **Architecture.**

(c) One member, after giving consideration to any recommendation of an enrolled member of a Nevada Indian tribe which is submitted by the Nevada Indian Commission, after consultation with the Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada, Inc., or its successor organization.

3. The Board shall elect a Chair and a Vice Chair from among its members at its first meeting of every even-numbered year. The terms of the Chair and Vice Chair are 2 years or until their successors are elected.

4. With respect to the functions of the Office of Historic Preservation, the Board may develop, review and approve policy for:

- (a) Matters relating to the State Historic Preservation Plan;
- (b) Nominations to the National Register of Historic Places and make a determination of eligibility for listing on the Register for each property nominated; and

(c) Nominations to the State Register of Historic Places and make determination of eligibility for listing on the Register for each property nominated.

5. With respect to the functions of the Division, the Board shall develop, review and make policy for investments, budgets, expenditures and general control of the Division's private and endowed dedicated trust funds pursuant to NRS 381.003 to 381.0037, inclusive.

6. In all other matters pertaining to the Office of Historic Preservation and the Division of Museums and History, the Board serves in an advisory capacity.

7. The Board may adopt such regulations as it deems necessary to carry out its powers and duties.



Sec. 37. Chapter 383 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. The Commission for Cultural and Historic Preservation is hereby created within the Department.

2. The Commission consists of:

(a) The Chair of the Board of Trustees of Nevada Humanities.

(b) The Chair of the Board of the Nevada Arts Council of the Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs.

(c) A member of the Advisory Board appointed by the Governor after giving consideration to any recommendation of an enrolled member of a Nevada Indian tribe which is submitted by the Nevada Indian Commission, after consultation with the Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada, Inc., or its successor organization.

(d) One representative of the general public who has a working knowledge of the promotion of tourism in Nevada and who is appointed by the Governor.

(e) The Chair of the State Council on Libraries and Literacy or a member of the State Council on Libraries and Literacy designated by the Chair.

(f) Five members appointed by the Governor as follows:

(1) One member who is licensed as a general engineering contractor or general building contractor pursuant to chapter 624 of NRS or who holds a certificate of registration to practice architecture pursuant to chapter 623 of NRS.

(2) Two members who are persons interested in the protection and preservation of structures, sites and areas of historic interest and are residents of the State.

(3) One member who is a county commissioner of Storey County.

(4) One member who is a county commissioner of Lyon County.

Sec. 38. Chapter 385 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. The Nevada Commission on Innovation, Excellence and Education Workforce Development is hereby created within the Department.

2. The Commission consists of:

(a) One member of the Senate, appointed by the Majority Leader of the Senate.

(b) One member of the Assembly, appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly.

(c) The Superintendent of Public Instruction.

(d) One member who is a teacher and member of the Nevada State Education Association, appointed by the President of that Association.



(e) One member who is a representative of the State Board of Education, appointed by the President of the State Board.

(f) One member who is a superintendent of schools of a school district, appointed by the Nevada Association of School Superintendents.

(g) One member who is the parent or guardian of a pupil who is enrolled in a public school in this State, appointed by the Nevada Parent Teacher Association.

(h) One member who is a representative of the public at large, appointed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

(i) One member who owns or manages a business located in this State, appointed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Sec. 39. NRS 385.021 is hereby amended to read as follows:

385.021 1. The State Board of Education is hereby created. The State Board consists of the following voting members:

(a) One member elected by the registered voters of ~~each~~ the congressional ~~{district—described}~~ districts designated as **Congressional District 1 and Congressional District 2** in the shapefile adopted by NRS 304.095;

(b) One member **elected by the registered voters of the congressional districts designated as Congressional District 3 and Congressional District 4 in the shapefile adopted by NRS 304.095;**

(c) One member appointed by the Governor;

~~{(e)}~~ (d) One member appointed by the Governor, nominated by the Majority Leader of the Senate; and

~~{(d)}~~ (e) One member appointed by the Governor, nominated by the Speaker of the Assembly.

2. In addition to the voting members described in subsection 1, the State Board consists of the following four nonvoting members:

(a) One member appointed by the Governor who is a member of a board of trustees of a school district, nominated by the Nevada Association of School Boards;

(b) One member appointed by the Governor who is the superintendent of schools of a school district, nominated by the Nevada Association of School Superintendents;

(c) One member appointed by the Governor who represents the Nevada System of Higher Education, nominated by the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada; and

(d) One member appointed by the Governor who is a pupil enrolled in a public school in this State, nominated by the Nevada Association of Student Councils or its successor organization and in consultation with the Nevada Youth Legislature. After the initial term, the term of the member appointed pursuant to this paragraph commences on June 1 and expires on May 31 of the following year.



3. Each member of the State Board elected pursuant to ~~paragraph~~ paragraphs (a) or (b) of subsection 1 must be a qualified elector of ~~the~~ either congressional district from which that member is elected.

4. Each member appointed pursuant to paragraphs ~~((b)),~~ (c) , ~~and~~ (d) and (e) of subsection 1 and each member appointed pursuant to subsection 2 must be a resident of this State.

5. Except as otherwise provided in paragraphs (a) and (c) of subsection 2, a person who is elected to serve as an officer of this State or any political subdivision thereof or a person appointed to serve for the unexpired term of such an office may not serve or continue to serve on the State Board.

6. The Governor shall ensure that the members appointed pursuant to paragraphs ~~((b)),~~ (c) , ~~and~~ (d) and (e) of subsection 1 represent the geographic diversity of this State and that:

(a) One member is a teacher at a public school selected from a list of three candidates provided by the Nevada State Education Association.

(b) One member is the parent or legal guardian of a pupil enrolled in a public school.

(c) One member is a person active in a private business or industry of this State.

7. After the initial terms, each member:

(a) Elected pursuant to paragraph (a) or (b) of subsection 1 serves a term of 4 years. A member may be elected to serve not more than three terms but may be appointed to serve pursuant to paragraph ~~((b)),~~ (c) , ~~for~~ (d) or (e) of subsection 1 or subsection 2 after service as an elected member, notwithstanding the number of terms the member served as an elected member.

(b) Appointed pursuant to paragraphs ~~((b)),~~ (c) , ~~and~~ (d) and (e) of subsection 1 serves a term of 2 years, except that each member continues to serve until a successor is appointed. A member may be reappointed for additional terms of 2 years in the same manner as the original appointment.

(c) Appointed pursuant to subsection 2 serves a term of 1 year. A member may be reappointed for additional terms of 1 year in the same manner as the original appointment.

8. If a vacancy occurs during the term of:

(a) A member who was elected pursuant to paragraph (a) or (b) of subsection 1, the Governor shall appoint a member to fill the vacancy until the next general election, at which election a member must be chosen for the balance of the unexpired term. The appointee must be a qualified elector of ~~the~~ either congressional district where the vacancy occurs.



(b) A voting member appointed pursuant to paragraph ~~[(b)]~~ (c), ~~for~~ (d) **or (e)** of subsection 1 or a nonvoting member appointed pursuant to subsection 2, the vacancy must be filled in the same manner as the original appointment for the remainder of the unexpired term.

Sec. 40. NRS 385.610 is hereby amended to read as follows:

385.610 1. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall establish an Advisory Council for Family Engagement. The Advisory Council is composed of ~~[(11)]~~ **seven** members.

2. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall appoint the following members to the Advisory Council:

(a) Two parents or legal guardians of pupils enrolled in public schools;

(b) ~~[(Two teachers)]~~ **One teacher** in **a** public ~~[(schools;)]~~ **school;**

(c) One administrator of a public school;

(d) ~~[(One representative of a private business or industry;]~~

~~—(e)]~~ One member of the board of trustees of a school district in a county whose population is 100,000 or more;

~~[(f)]~~ **(e)** One member of the board of trustees of a school district in a county whose population is less than 100,000; and

~~[(g)]~~ **(f)** One member who is the President of the Board of Managers of the Nevada Parent Teacher Association or its successor organization, or a designee nominated by the President.

➤ The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall, to the extent practicable, ensure that the members the Superintendent appoints to the Advisory Council reflect the ethnic, economic and geographic diversity of this State.

3. ~~[(The Speaker of the Assembly shall appoint one member of the Assembly to the Advisory Council.]~~

~~—4. The Majority Leader of the Senate shall appoint one member of the Senate to the Advisory Council.]~~

~~—5.]~~ The Advisory Council shall elect a Chair and Vice Chair from among its members. The Chair and Vice Chair serve a term of 1 year.

~~[(6.)~~ **4.** After the initial terms ~~[(~~

~~—(a) The]~~ **, the** term of each member of the Advisory Council ~~[(who is appointed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction is 3 years.]~~

~~—(b) The term of each member of the Advisory Council who is appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly and the Majority Leader of the Senate]~~ is 2 years. **A member may not serve more than two terms.**

~~[(7.)~~ **5.** The Advisory Council shall, at least 30 days before the beginning of any member's term, or within 30 days after a position on the Advisory Council becomes vacant, submit to the ~~[(relevant~~



~~appointing authority, as set forth in subsection 2, 3 or 4, as applicable,}~~ **Superintendent of Public Instruction** the names of at least three persons qualified for membership on the Advisory Council.

~~{8.—The}~~

6. Except as otherwise provided in section 11 of this act, the Department shall provide:

(a) Administrative support to the Advisory Council; and

(b) All information that is necessary for the Advisory Council to carry out its duties.

~~{9.—For each day or portion of a day during which a member of the Advisory Council who is a Legislator attends a meeting of the Advisory Council or is otherwise engaged in the business of the Advisory Council, except during a regular or special session of the Legislature, the member 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 legislative members of the Advisory Council must be paid from the Legislative Fund.~~

~~—10.}~~ **7.** A member of the Advisory Council ~~{who is not a Legislator}~~ is entitled to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally for each day or portion of a day during which the member attends a meeting of the Advisory Council or is otherwise engaged in the business of the Advisory Council. The per diem allowance and travel expenses for the members of the Advisory Council ~~{who are not Legislators}~~ must be paid by the Department.

~~{11.}~~ **8.** Any costs associated with employing a substitute teacher while a member of the Advisory Council who is a teacher attends a meeting of the Advisory Council must be paid by the school district or charter school that employs the member.

Sec. 41. NRS 385.760 is hereby amended to read as follows:

385.760 1. The Nevada Commission on Mentoring is hereby created. The Commission consists of the following ~~{13}~~ **seven** members:

(a) One member appointed by the ~~{Governor}~~ **Superintendent of Public Instruction** who is a representative of business and industry with a vested interest in supporting mentorship programs in this State.

(b) One member appointed by the ~~{Governor}~~ **Superintendent of Public Instruction** who represents an employment and training organization located in this State.



(c) ~~One member appointed by the Governor who is a resident of a county whose population is less than 100,000.~~

~~—(d)~~ One member *appointed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction* who is the superintendent of a school district in a county whose population is 700,000 or more.

~~[(e)]~~ (d) One member *appointed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction* who is the superintendent of a school district in a county whose population is 100,000 or more but less than 700,000.

~~[(f)]~~ (e) One member, who is not a Legislator, appointed by the Majority Leader of the Senate.

~~[(g)]~~ (f) One member, who is not a Legislator, appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly.

~~[(h)]~~ One member, who is not a Legislator, appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate.

~~—(i) One member, who is not a Legislator, appointed by the Minority Leader of the Assembly.~~

~~—(j) Four members~~

(g) One member appointed ~~to the Commission pursuant to subsection 2.~~

~~—2. The~~ *by the* members of the Commission appointed pursuant to paragraphs (a) to ~~[(i),]~~ (f), inclusive, ~~[of subsection 1 shall, at the first meeting of the Commission, appoint to the Commission four additional voting members:~~

~~—(a) One of whom must be a member of the state advisory group appointed by the Governor pursuant to 34 U.S.C. § 11133 and operating in this State as the Juvenile Justice Commission under the Division of Child and Family Services of the Department of Health and Human Services;~~

~~—(b) One of whom must be a representative of business and industry with a vested interest in supporting mentorship programs in this State; and~~

~~—(c) Two members]~~ *who is* between the ages of 16 years and 24 years *and* who ~~[(have)]~~ *has* a vested interest in supporting mentorship programs in this State.

~~[(3.)]~~ 2. After the initial terms, each member of the Commission appointed pursuant to ~~[(subsections)]~~ *subsection* 1 ~~[and 2]~~ serves a term of 2 years. A member of the Commission may be reappointed, except that no member may serve more than two ~~[(consecutive)]~~ terms.

~~[(4.)]~~ 3. Any vacancy occurring in the membership of the Commission must be filled in the same manner as the original appointment not later than 30 days after the vacancy occurs. A member appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve as a member of the Commission for the remainder of the original term of appointment.



~~15.1~~ 4. If a member of the Commission fails to attend two consecutive meetings of the Commission, the Commission shall, within 5 days after the second consecutive meeting that the member fails to attend, provide notice of that fact, in writing, to the appointing authority who appointed that member. Upon receipt of the notice, the appointing authority shall appoint a person to replace the member in the same manner as filling a vacancy on the Commission pursuant to subsection ~~14.1~~ 3.

~~16.1~~ 5. Each member of the Commission:

- (a) Serves without compensation; and
- (b) While engaged in the business of the Commission, is entitled to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally.

~~17.—The~~

6. *Except as otherwise provided in section 11 of this act, the Department shall provide the Commission with such administrative support as is necessary to assist the Commission in carrying out its duties pursuant to NRS 385.780.*

Sec. 42. NRS 387.1246 is hereby amended to read as follows:

387.1246 1. The Commission on School Funding, consisting of ~~11~~ seven members, is hereby created.

2. The Commission consists of the following members, who may not be Legislators:

(a) One member appointed by the ~~Governor,~~ *Superintendent of Public Instruction*, who serves as Chair;

(b) ~~Two members~~ *One member* appointed by the Majority Leader of the Senate;

(c) ~~Two members~~ *One member* appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly;

(d) One member appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate;

(e) One member appointed by the Minority Leader of the Assembly;

(f) ~~Two members~~ *One member* appointed by the ~~Governor, each of whom~~ *Superintendent of Public Instruction, who* is the chief financial officer of a school district in this State which has more than 40,000 pupils enrolled in its public schools, nominated by the Nevada Association of School Superintendents or its successor organization; and

(g) ~~Two members~~ *One member*, appointed by the ~~Governor, each of whom~~ *Superintendent of Public Instruction, who* is the chief financial officer of a school district in this State which has 40,000 or fewer pupils enrolled in its public schools, nominated by the Nevada Association of School Superintendents or its successor organization.



1 ➤ In making appointments to the Commission, the appointing
2 authorities shall consider whether the membership generally reflects
3 the geographic distribution of pupils in the State.

4 3. Each member of the Commission must:

5 (a) Be a resident of this State;

6 (b) Not have been registered as a lobbyist pursuant to NRS
7 218H.200 for a period of at least 2 years immediately preceding
8 appointment to the Commission;

9 (c) Have relevant experience in public education;

10 (d) Have relevant experience in fiscal policy, school finance or
11 similar or related financial activities;

12 (e) Have the education, experience and skills necessary to
13 effectively execute the duties and responsibilities of a member of
14 the Commission; and

15 (f) Have demonstrated ability in the field of economics, taxation
16 or other discipline necessary to school finance and be able to bring
17 knowledge and professional judgment to the deliberations of the
18 Commission.

19 4. Each member of the Commission serves a term of ~~13~~ 2
20 years and may be reappointed ~~to additional~~, *except that a member*
21 *may not serve more than two* terms.

22 5. Each member may be removed by the appointing authority
23 for good cause. A vacancy on the Commission must be filled in the
24 same manner as the original appointment.

25 6. The Commission shall:

26 (a) Elect a Vice Chair from among its members at its first
27 meeting for a term of ~~13~~ 2 years. A vacancy in the office of Vice
28 Chair must be filled by the Commission by election for the
29 remainder of the existing term.

30 (b) Adopt such rules governing the conduct of the Commission
31 as it deems necessary.

32 ~~[(c) Meet at least once each month and hold such number of~~
33 ~~meetings as may be necessary to accomplish the tasks assigned to it.~~

34 ~~—(d) Meet in person or, at the discretion of the Chair in~~
35 ~~consultation with the Superintendent of Public Instruction based on~~
36 ~~the items on the agenda for a meeting, by use of a remote~~
37 ~~technology system, as defined in NRS 241.015.]~~

38 7. A majority of the members of the Commission constitutes a
39 quorum and a majority of those present must concur in any decision.

40 8. ~~[The]~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 11 of this*
41 *act, the* Department shall provide the Commission with meeting
42 rooms, data processing services and administrative and clerical
43 assistance and undertake any research, analysis, study or other work
44 required by the Commission to carry out its duties pursuant to NRS
45 387.12463. ~~[The]~~ *Except as otherwise provided in section 11 of this*



act, the Superintendent of Public Instruction and Office of Finance shall jointly provide the Commission with professional staff services.

9. While engaged in the business of the Commission, each member is entitled to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally.

10. The Commission may meet only:

(a) Between July 1 of an odd-numbered year and December 31 of the subsequent even-numbered year; or

(b) During any regular or special session of the Legislature, if requested to do so by the chair of the:

(1) Senate Standing Committee on Education;

(2) Assembly Standing Committee on Education;

(3) Senate Standing Committee on Finance;

(4) Assembly Standing Committee on Ways and Means; or

(5) Interim Finance Committee.

Sec. 43. Chapter 388 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. The Advisory Committee on School and Staff Safety is hereby created within the Department.

2. The Committee consists of:

(a) The State Fire Marshal.

(b) The Director of the Office for a Safe and Respectful Learning Environment.

(c) The following members appointed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction:

(1) Two members who are licensed pursuant to chapter 391 of NRS, employed by a school district in this State and teach in the classroom.

(2) One member who is an administrator of an elementary school or high school in this State.

(3) One member who is the superintendent of a school district in this State.

(4) One member who is a school psychologist employed by a school in this State.

(5) One member who is the parent or legal guardian of a pupil enrolled in a school in this State.

(6) One member who is a school resource officer assigned to a school in this State.

Sec. 44. NRS 388.1326 is hereby amended to read as follows:

388.1326 1. The Committee on Responses to Power-Based Violence in Schools is hereby created within the Department.

2. The Committee consists of the following members, appointed by the chair of the committee on statewide school safety created pursuant to NRS 388.1324:



(a) Two members who are representatives of a nonprofit organization that assists victims of power-based violence;

(b) One member who is the parent of a pupil who identifies as a victim of power-based violence;

(c) One member who is a pupil who identifies as a victim of power-based violence;

(d) ~~Two members~~ **One member** who ~~are~~ **is a** Title IX ~~coordinators~~ **coordinator** for **a** public ~~schools~~ **school** in this State;

(e) One member who is an employee of the Office for a Safe and Respectful Learning Environment;

(f) One member who is a school resource officer assigned to a school in this State;

~~(g) One member who is employed as a school psychologist at a school in this State;~~

~~—(h)—~~ One member who is a licensed teacher in this State;
~~(i)~~ **and**

(h) One member who is employed as a school social worker at a school in this State. **;**

~~—(j)— One member who is an administrator of a school in this State; and~~

~~—(k)— One member who is the superintendent of a school district in this State.]~~

3. Any vacancy occurring in the membership of the Committee must be filled in the same manner as the original appointment not later than 30 days after the vacancy occurs.

4. The Committee shall elect a Chair and Vice Chair from among its members at the first meeting of the Committee and at the first meeting of the calendar year each year thereafter. The Chair and Vice Chair serve a term of 1 year.

5. Each member of the Committee serves a term of 2 years and may be reappointed **H**, **except that a member may not serve more than two terms.**

6. A majority of the members of the Committee constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business, and a majority of a quorum present at any meeting is sufficient for any official action taken by the Committee.

7. The Committee shall review, study and make recommendations regarding power-based violence in schools. In performing its duties, the Committee shall:

(a) Consider the experiences of pupils relating to power-based violence and pupil safety;

(b) Examine current procedures and protocols for responding to power-based violence that are used in public schools in this State;



(c) Identify emerging trends and best practices for responding to and preventing power-based violence;

(d) Identify possible gaps in the services that are available for victims of power-based violence; and

(e) Make recommendations for procedures that will focus on preventing and intervening in disclosures of power-based violence.

8. The Committee shall, not later than August 1 of each odd-numbered year, submit to the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Education any recommendations for legislation relating to power-based violence in schools.

9. The members of the Committee serve without compensation but are entitled to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally.

10. A member of the Committee who is an officer or employee of this State or a political subdivision of this State must be relieved from his or her duties without loss of regular compensation to prepare for and attend meetings of the Committee and perform any work necessary to carry out the duties of the Committee in the most timely manner practicable. A state agency or political subdivision of this State shall not require an officer or employee who is a member of the Committee to:

(a) Make up the time he or she is absent from work to carry out his or her duties as a member of the Committee; or

(b) Take annual leave or compensatory time for the absence.

11. As used in this section, “power-based violence” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 396.1285.

Sec. 45. NRS 388.5175 is hereby amended to read as follows:

388.5175 1. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall establish within the Department the Advisory Committee on Language Development for Children Who Are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Blind or Visually Impaired.

2. The Superintendent shall appoint to the Committee ~~13~~ **nine** members who are the parents of pupils who are deaf, hard of hearing, blind or visually impaired, including, without limitation, pupils who are both deaf and blind, specialize in teaching or providing services to such children or perform research in a field relating to such children. The Committee must ~~include, without limitation;~~ **consist of:**

(a) ~~At least seven~~ **Five** members who are deaf, hard of hearing, blind or visually impaired;

(b) ~~Members~~ **Two members** who communicate verbally using both American Sign Language and spoken English; and

(c) ~~Members~~ **Two members** who communicate verbally using only spoken English.



3. The Superintendent of Public Instruction shall appoint a Chair of the Committee. ~~{The Committee shall meet at the call of the Chair.}~~ A majority of the members of the Committee constitutes a quorum and is required to transact any business of the Committee.

4. The members of the Committee serve without compensation ~~{and are not}~~ **but are** entitled to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally.

5. A member of the Committee who is an officer or employee of this State or a political subdivision of this State must be relieved from his or her duties without loss of regular compensation to prepare for and attend meetings of the Committee and perform any work necessary to carry out the duties of the Committee in the most timely manner practicable. A state agency or political subdivision of this State shall not require an officer or employee who is a member of the Committee to:

(a) Make up the time he or she is absent from work to carry out his or her duties as a member of the Committee; or

(b) Take annual leave or compensatory time for the absence.

Sec. 46. NRS 388.5966 is hereby amended to read as follows:

388.5966 1. The State Financial Literacy Advisory Council is hereby created. The Council consists of:

(a) ~~{The following ex officio members:~~

~~— (1) The Superintendent of Public Instruction or his or her designee; and~~

~~— (2) The Chancellor of the Nevada System of Higher Education or his or her designee;~~

~~— (b) Three}~~ **Two** members appointed by the ~~{Governor;~~

~~— (c) Two members}~~

Superintendent of Public Instruction;

(b) One member appointed by the Majority Leader of the Senate;

~~{(d) Two members}~~

(c) One member appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly;

~~{(e)}~~ **(d)** One member appointed by the Minority Leader of the Senate;

~~{(f)}~~ **(e)** One member appointed by the Minority Leader of the Assembly; and

~~{(g)}~~ **(f)** One member appointed by the Chancellor of the Nevada System of Higher Education who has a background in economics or financial literacy.

2. The ~~{Governor,}~~ **Superintendent of Public Instruction**, the Majority Leader and the Minority Leader of the Senate, the Speaker and Minority Leader of the Assembly and the Chancellor of the Nevada System of Higher Education shall coordinate their respective appointments of members to the Council to ensure that, to



the extent practicable, the members appointed to the Council reflect the gender, ethnic and geographic diversity of this State and that:

~~(a) Three members of the Council are members of the business community with a background in economics;~~

~~—(b)~~ One member of the Council is a member of the business community who is employed in the banking industry;

~~[(c)]~~ (b) One member of the Council is a member of the business community who is employed by a credit union;

~~[(d)]~~ (c) Three members of the Council are teachers who hold a license to teach elementary, middle or junior high school or secondary education, respectively, and who:

(1) Teach in an elementary, middle or junior high or high school, respectively;

(2) Have received training in financial literacy; and

(3) Are responsible for teaching courses relating to financial literacy;

~~[(e)]~~ (d) One member of the Council is an administrator of a public school; and

~~[(f)]~~ (e) One member of the Council is an administrator of a school district.

3. Any vacancy occurring in the membership of the Council must be filled in the same manner as the original appointment not later than 30 days after the vacancy occurs.

4. The Council shall elect a Chair and Vice Chair from among its members at the first meeting of the Council and at the first meeting of the calendar year each year thereafter. The Chair and Vice Chair serve a term of 1 year.

5. Each member of the Council serves a term of 2 years and may be reappointed ~~[(1)]~~, *except that a member may not serve more than two terms.*

~~6. The Council shall meet at least four times a year at the call of the Chair. One meeting of the Council must be held in person and any other meeting may be held by videoconference.~~

~~—7.]~~ A majority of the members of the Council constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business, and a majority of those members present at any meeting is sufficient for any official action taken by the Council.

~~[(8)]~~ 7. The Chair may appoint such subcommittees of the Council as the Chair determines necessary to carry out the duties of the Council.

~~[(9)]~~ 8. The members of the Council serve without compensation, except that each member is entitled to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally while engaged in the official business of the Council.



~~{10-}~~ 9. Each member of the Council who is an officer or employee of the State or a local government must be relieved from his or her duties without loss of his or her regular compensation so that the member may prepare for and attend meetings of the Council and perform any work necessary to carry out the duties of the Council in the most timely manner practicable. A state agency or local government shall not require an officer or employee who is a member of the Council to make up the time the member is absent from work to carry out his or her duties as a member, and shall not require the member to take annual vacation or compensatory time for the absence.

~~{11-}~~ 10. Any costs associated with employing a substitute teacher while a member of the Council who is a teacher attends a meeting of the Council must be paid by the school district that employs the member.

~~{12- To}~~

11. *Except as otherwise provided in section 11 of this act, to the extent that money is available, the Department shall provide administrative support to the Council.*

Sec. 47. NRS 388F.020 is hereby amended to read as follows:

388F.020 1. In furtherance of the provisions contained in the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children, there is hereby created a State Council for the Coordination of the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children, consisting of the following members:

(a) One representative of the Nevada National Guard, appointed by the ~~{Governor-}~~ *Superintendent of Public Instruction.*

(b) One representative of each military installation in this State, appointed by the commanding officer of that military installation.

(c) The Superintendent of Public Instruction.

~~(d) {The—superintendent}~~ *Two members who are superintendents of {each} a school district in which a military installation is located { } , appointed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction.*

(e) One Legislator or other person appointed by the Legislative Commission to represent the interests of the Legislature.

(f) One person appointed by the ~~{Governor—to represent the interests of the Governor-}~~ *Superintendent of Public Instruction.*

2. A member of the State Council serves a term of 2 years and until his or her successor is appointed. A member may be reappointed ~~{ }~~ *but may not serve more than two terms.*

3. A member of the State Council may be removed from office by the appointing authority at any time.

4. A vacancy on the State Council must be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.



1 5. The members of the State Council serve without
2 compensation ~~and~~ but are ~~not~~ entitled to ~~any~~ *receive the* per
3 diem ~~for~~ *allowance and* travel expenses ~~for~~.

4 ~~—6. The State Council shall meet at least twice per year, with at~~
5 ~~least one meeting held before the beginning of each school semester,~~
6 ~~and may meet at other times upon the call of the Commissioner~~
7 ~~appointed pursuant to NRS 388F.040.]~~ *provided for state officers*
8 *and employees generally.*

9 **Sec. 48.** Chapter 391 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
10 thereto a new section to read as follows:

11 1. *The Nevada Commission on Professional Standards and*
12 *Regional Education Training, consisting of nine members*
13 *appointed by the Governor, is hereby created within the*
14 *Department.*

15 2. *The Governor shall appoint to the Commission:*

16 (a) *One member who holds a license to teach secondary*
17 *education and teaches in a secondary school.*

18 (b) *One member who holds a license to teach elementary*
19 *education and teaches in an elementary school.*

20 (c) *One member who holds a license to teach special education*
21 *and teaches special education.*

22 (d) *One member who is a school counselor, school*
23 *psychologist or other specialist who is licensed pursuant to this*
24 *chapter and employed by a school district or charter school.*

25 (e) *One member who is an administrator of a school who is*
26 *employed by a school district or charter school to provide*
27 *administrative service at an individual school. Such an*
28 *administrator must not provide service at the district level.*

29 (f) *One member who is the parent or legal guardian of a pupil*
30 *enrolled in a public school.*

31 (g) *One member who is the superintendent of schools of a*
32 *school district.*

33 (h) *Two members who represent the broader public interest or*
34 *other critical viewpoints.*

35 **Sec. 49.** NRS 391.455 is hereby amended to read as follows:

36 391.455 1. There is hereby created the Teachers and Leaders
37 Council of Nevada consisting of the following ~~16~~ *nine* members:

38 (a) The Superintendent of Public Instruction, or his or her
39 designee, who serves as an ex officio member of the Council.

40 (b) The Chancellor of the Nevada System of Higher Education,
41 or his or her designee, who serves as an ex officio member of the
42 Council.

43 (c) ~~Four teachers~~ *One teacher* in a public ~~schools~~ *school*
44 *appointed by the* ~~Governor~~ *Superintendent of Public Instruction*
45 *from a list of nominees submitted by the Nevada State Education*



1 Association. ~~{The members appointed pursuant to this paragraph~~
2 ~~must represent the geographical diversity of the school districts in~~
3 ~~this State.}~~

4 (d) One school counselor, psychologist, speech-language
5 pathologist, audiologist or social worker who is licensed pursuant to
6 chapter 391 of NRS appointed by the ~~{Governor}~~ **Superintendent of**
7 **Public Instruction** from a list of nominees submitted by the Nevada
8 State Education Association. ~~{The persons nominated pursuant to~~
9 ~~this paragraph must represent the geographical diversity of school~~
10 ~~districts in this State.}~~

11 (e) ~~{Two administrators}~~ **One administrator** in a public
12 ~~{schools}~~ **school** appointed by the ~~{Governor}~~ **Superintendent of**
13 **Public Instruction** from a list of nominees submitted by the Nevada
14 Association of School Administrators . ~~{and one superintendent of~~
15 ~~schools of a school district appointed by the Governor from a list of~~
16 ~~nominees submitted by the Nevada Association of School~~
17 ~~Superintendents. The members appointed pursuant to this paragraph~~
18 ~~must represent the geographical diversity of the school districts in~~
19 ~~this State.}~~

20 (f) ~~{Two persons}~~ **One person** who ~~{are members}~~ **is a member**
21 of ~~{boards}~~ **the board** of trustees of a school ~~{districts}~~ **district** and
22 who ~~{are}~~ **is** appointed by the ~~{Governor}~~ **Superintendent of Public**
23 **Instruction** from a list of nominees submitted by the Nevada
24 Association of School Boards.

25 (g) One representative of the regional training programs for the
26 professional development of teachers and administrators created by
27 NRS 391A.120 appointed by the ~~{Governor}~~ **Superintendent of**
28 **Public Instruction** from a list of nominees submitted by the Nevada
29 Association of School Superintendents.

30 (h) One parent or legal guardian of a pupil enrolled in public
31 school appointed by the ~~{Governor}~~ **Superintendent of Public**
32 **Instruction** from a list of nominees submitted by the Nevada Parent
33 Teacher Association.

34 (i) ~~{Two persons}~~ **One person** with expertise in the development
35 of public policy relating to education appointed by the
36 Superintendent of Public Instruction. The ~~{members}~~ **member**
37 appointed pursuant to this paragraph must not otherwise be eligible
38 for appointment pursuant to paragraphs (a) to (h), inclusive.

39 2. After the initial terms, each appointed member of the
40 Council serves a term of ~~{3}~~ **2** years commencing on July 1 and may
41 be reappointed to one additional ~~{3-year}~~ **2-year** term following his
42 or her initial term. If any appointed member of the Council ceases to
43 be qualified for the position to which he or she was appointed, the
44 position shall be deemed vacant and the appointing authority shall
45 appoint a replacement for the remainder of the unexpired term. A



1 vacancy must be filled in the same manner as the original
2 appointment.

3 3. The Council shall, at its first meeting and annually
4 thereafter, elect a Chair from among its members.

5 4. ~~{The Council shall meet at least semiannually and may meet~~
6 ~~at other times upon the call of the Chair or a majority of the~~
7 ~~members of the Council.}~~ Nine members of the Council constitute a
8 quorum, and a quorum may exercise all the power and authority
9 conferred on the Council.

10 5. Members of the Council serve without compensation, except
11 that for each day or portion of a day during which a member of the
12 Council attends a meeting of the Council or is otherwise engaged in
13 the business of the Council, the member is entitled to receive the per
14 diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and
15 employees generally.

16 6. A member of the Council who is a public employee must be
17 granted administrative leave from the member's duties to engage in
18 the business of the Council without loss of his or her regular
19 compensation. Such leave does not reduce the amount of the
20 member's other accrued leave.

21 7. Any costs associated with employing a substitute teacher
22 while a member of the Council who is a teacher attends a meeting of
23 the Council must be:

24 (a) Paid by the school district or charter school that employs the
25 member; or

26 (b) Reimbursed to the school district or charter school that
27 employs the member by the organization that submitted the name of
28 the member to the ~~{Governor}~~ **Superintendent of Public Instruction**
29 for appointment pursuant to paragraph (c), (d), (e), (f), (g) or (h) of
30 subsection 1.

31 8. ~~{The}~~ **Except as otherwise provided in section 11 of this**
32 **act, the** Department shall provide administrative support to the
33 Council.

34 9. The Council may apply for and accept gifts, grants,
35 donations and contributions from any source for the purpose of
36 carrying out its duties pursuant to NRS 391.460.

37 **Sec. 50.** NRS 394.383 is hereby amended to read as follows:

38 394.383 1. The Commission on Postsecondary Education is
39 hereby created within the ~~{Employment Security Division of the}~~
40 Department of ~~{Employment, Training and Rehabilitation.}~~
41 **Business and Industry.** The Commission consists of:

42 (a) An employee of the Department of ~~{Employment, Training~~
43 ~~and Rehabilitation}~~ **Business and Industry** designated by the
44 Director of the Department of ~~{Employment, Training and~~



~~Rehabilitation~~ *Business and Industry* to serve as a nonvoting member; and

(b) Seven voting members appointed by the Governor.

2. The voting members of the Commission are entitled to receive a salary of not more than ~~[\$80.]~~ *\$150*, as fixed by the ~~Commission,~~ *Deputy Director of the Office of Nevada Boards, Commissions and Councils Standards of the Department of Business and Industry and approved by the Director of the Department of Business and Industry* for each day's attendance at a meeting of the Commission.

3. The nonvoting member of the Commission designated pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 1 must be relieved from his or her duties with the Department of ~~Employment, Training and Rehabilitation~~ *Business and Industry* without loss of regular compensation so that he or she may prepare for and attend meetings of the Commission and perform any work necessary to carry out the duties of the Commission in the most timely manner practicable. The Department may not require the member to make up time or take annual vacation or compensatory time for the time that he or she is absent from work to carry out his or her duties as a member of the Commission.

4. While engaged in the business of the Commission, each member of the Commission is entitled to receive ~~the~~ *a* per diem allowance and travel expenses *at a rate fixed by the Deputy Director of the Office of Nevada Boards, Commissions and Councils Standards of the Department of Business and Industry and approved by the Director of the Department of Business and Industry. The rate must not exceed the rate* provided for state officers and employees generally.

Sec. 51. Chapter 407A of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. The State Outdoor Recreation and Education Advisory Council is hereby created within the Department.

2. The Council consists of:

(a) The Administrator of the Division of State Parks of the Department.

(b) The Chair of the Nevada Indian Commission.

(c) Seven members appointed by the Director as follows:

(1) One member who is a representative of the Division of Outdoor Recreation of the Department.

(2) One member who is a representative of the Department of Wildlife.

(3) One member who is a teacher.

(4) One member who is a nature-based education provider.



(5) One member who is a representative of the outdoor recreation industry.

(6) One member who is a representative of the United States Department of the Interior from the Bureau of Land Management, National Park Service or United States Fish and Wildlife Service.

(7) One member who is a representative of the United States Department of Agriculture from the United States Forest Service or Rural Development.

Sec. 52. Chapter 414 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. The Nevada Emergency Response and Disaster Coordination Board is hereby created.

2. The Board consists of:

(a) The Chief, who serves as Chair of the Board; and

(b) The following members appointed by the Chief:

(1) One member who is a representative of the Nevada National Guard;

(2) One member who is a representative of the Nevada Sheriffs' and Chiefs' Association or its legal successor;

(3) One member who is a representative of a tribal government;

(4) One member who is a representative of the Division of Forestry of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources;

(5) One member who is a representative of the Division of Public and Behavioral Health of the Department of Health and Human Services;

(6) One member who is a representative of the Nevada Fire Chiefs Association or its legal successor;

(7) One member who is a representative of the Nevada Hospital Association or its legal successor; and

(8) One member who is a representative of a county coroner's office.

Sec. 53. NRS 417.0191 is hereby amended to read as follows:

417.0191 1. The Interagency Council on Veterans Affairs is hereby created. The Council consists of:

(a) The Director of the Department of Business and Industry;

(b) ~~The Director of the Department of Corrections;~~

~~—(c)—~~ The Director of the Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation;

~~—(d)—~~ (c) The Director of the Department of Health and Human Services;

~~—(e)—~~ The Director of the Department of Public Safety;

~~—(f)—~~ (d) The Director of the Department of Veterans Services;



1 ~~[(g)]~~ (e) The Adjutant General;
2 ~~[(h)]~~ (f) The Chancellor of the Nevada System of Higher
3 Education;
4 ~~[(i)]~~ (g) The Executive Director of the Office of Economic
5 Development;
6 ~~[(j)]~~ (h) The Executive Director of the Department of Native
7 American Affairs;
8 ~~[(k)] The Administrator of the Division of Human Resource~~
9 ~~Management of the Department of Administration;~~
10 ~~—(l) The Attorney General;~~
11 ~~—(m) The Superintendent of Public Instruction;~~
12 ~~—(n) The Executive Director of the Governor's Office of~~
13 ~~Workforce Innovation; and~~
14 ~~—(o) Any other persons;~~
15 (i) *One member* appointed by the ~~{Governor, including,}~~
16 *Director, who may be,* without limitation, ~~{representatives}~~ *a*
17 *representative of* a federal ~~{and}~~ *or* local governmental ~~{agencies~~
18 *and}* *agency or* private ~~{entities}~~ *entity* that ~~{provide}~~ *provides*
19 services to veterans. ~~{Members}~~ *The member* appointed pursuant to
20 this paragraph ~~{serve}~~ *serves* at the pleasure of the ~~{Governor.}~~
21 *Director.*

22 2. A member of the Council may designate a person to
23 represent him or her at any meeting of the Council. The person
24 designated may exercise all the duties, rights and privileges of the
25 member that he or she represents.

26 **Sec. 54.** NRS 417.150 is hereby amended to read as follows:

27 417.150 1. The Nevada Veterans Services Commission,
28 consisting of ~~[(1)]~~ *seven* members, is hereby created.

29 2. The ~~{Governor}~~ *Director* shall appoint:

30 (a) Three members who are representatives of veterans'
31 organizations recognized nationally or in this State and who possess
32 honorable discharges from some branch of the Armed Forces of the
33 United States.

34 (b) One member who is a member of the Women Veterans
35 Advisory Committee created by NRS 417.320.

36 (c) One member who is ~~{enrolled as a student at an institution of~~
37 ~~higher education in this State in a program for a baccalaureate or~~
38 ~~higher degree and who possesses an honorable discharge from some~~
39 ~~branch of the Armed Forces of the United States.~~

40 ~~—(d) Two members who are representatives}~~ *a representative* of
41 the general public.

42 3. The Chair of the Advisory Committee for a Veterans
43 Cemetery in Northern Nevada and the Chair of the Advisory
44 Committee for a Veterans Cemetery in Southern Nevada shall each
45 appoint one member from their respective committees to serve as a



1 member of the Commission. Each member so appointed must be a
2 representative of a veterans' organization recognized nationally or
3 in this State and possess an honorable discharge from some branch
4 of the Armed Forces of the United States.

5 ~~4. [The Majority Leader of the Senate shall appoint one~~
6 ~~member of the Senate to serve as a member of the Commission.~~

7 ~~—5. The Speaker of the Assembly shall appoint one member of~~
8 ~~the Assembly to serve as a member of the Commission.~~

9 ~~—6.]~~ The ~~[Governor]~~ **Director** may remove a member of the
10 Commission at any time for failure to perform his or her duties,
11 malfeasance or other good cause.

12 ~~[7.]~~ **5.** The term of office of each member is ~~[3]~~ **2** years.

13 ~~[8. If a vacancy occurs in the membership of those members~~
14 ~~appointed pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 2, the Governor~~
15 ~~shall fill the vacancy from among the names of qualified nominees~~
16 ~~provided to the Governor in writing by the Director.] A member~~
17 ~~may not serve more than two terms.~~

18 **Sec. 55.** Chapter 422 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
19 thereto a new section to read as follows:

20 **1. The Beneficiary Advisory Council is hereby created within**
21 **the Division to advise the Director on matters of concern related to**
22 **policy development and matters related to the effective**
23 **administration of the Medicaid program and carry out any other**
24 **duties imposed on a Beneficiary Advisory Council by 42 C.F.R.**
25 **§ 431.12.**

26 **2. The Director shall appoint such number of members of the**
27 **Council as he or she determines is appropriate to carry out the**
28 **duties of the Council. The Council must consist of persons who**
29 **are currently or have been Medicaid beneficiaries and persons**
30 **with direct experience supporting Medicaid beneficiaries,**
31 **including, without limitation, a family member of a Medicaid**
32 **beneficiary and a paid or unpaid caregiver of a person enrolled in**
33 **Medicaid.**

34 **3. A member of the Beneficiary Advisory Council serves a**
35 **term of 2 years. A member may not serve:**

36 **(a) More than two terms; and**

37 **(b) Two consecutive terms.**

38 **Sec. 56.** NRS 422.151 is hereby amended to read as follows:

39 ~~422.151~~ **1.** The ~~[Medical—Care]~~ **Medicaid** Advisory
40 Committee is hereby created within the Division.

41 **2.** The function of the ~~[Medical—Care]~~ **Medicaid** Advisory
42 Committee is to:

43 **(a)** Advise the Division regarding the provision of services for
44 the health and medical care of welfare recipients.



(b) Participate, and increase the participation of welfare recipients, in the development of policy and the administration of programs by the Division.

(c) Advise the Director on matters of concern related to policy development and matters related to the effective administration of the Medicaid program and carry out any other duties imposed on a Medicaid Advisory Committee by 42 C.F.R. § 431.12.

(d) Carry out the duties set forth in NRS 422.205.

Sec. 57. NRS 422.153 is hereby amended to read as follows:

422.153 1. The ~~{Medical—Care}~~ *Medicaid* Advisory Committee consists of ~~{the Chief Medical Officer and:}~~ *nine members as follows:*

(a) ~~{A person who:~~

~~—(1) Holds a license to practice medicine in this state; and~~

~~—(2) Is certified by the Board of Medical Examiners in a medical specialty.}~~ *The Administrator, who serves as an ex officio, nonvoting member.*

~~(b) {A person who holds a license to practice dentistry in this state.}~~ *Two officers or employees of an agency in the Executive Department of the State Government that serves Medicaid beneficiaries, who serve as ex officio, nonvoting members.*

~~(c) {A person who holds a certificate of registration as a pharmacist in this state.~~

~~—(d) A member of a profession in the field of health care who is familiar with the needs of persons of low income, the resources required for their care and the availability of those resources.~~

~~—(e) An administrator of a hospital or a clinic for health care.~~

~~—(f) An administrator of a facility for intermediate care or a facility for skilled nursing.~~

~~—(g) A member of an organized group that provides assistance, representation or other support to recipients of}~~ *Six voting members, appointed by the Director as follows:*

(1) The following number of members who are also members of the Beneficiary Advisory Council within the Division created by section 55 of this act:

(I) During the period beginning on July 1, 2025, and ending on July 9, 2026, one member.

(II) During the period beginning on July 10, 2026, and ending on July 10, 2027, two members.

(III) After July 10, 2027, three members.

(2) At least one member who is a representative of a state or local consumer advocacy group or other community-based organization that represents the interests of, or provides direct service to, Medicaid {

~~—(h) A recipient of}~~ *beneficiaries.*



(3) *At least one member who is a representative of clinical providers or administrators, including, without limitation, providers of administrators of primary care, specialty care or long-term care, who is familiar with the health and social needs of Medicaid beneficiaries.*

(4) *At least one member who is a representative of a participating Medicaid managed care organization, prepaid inpatient health plan, prepaid ambulatory health plan, primary care case management entity or primary care case manager, as those terms are defined in 42 C.F.R. § 438.2, or a health plan association representing more than one such plan.*

2. ~~The~~ *Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the Director shall appoint each member required by subsection 1 to serve for a term of 2 years. The Director may appoint a member to a shorter term to satisfy the requirements of subsection 1. A member may not serve:*

(a) More than two terms; and

(b) Two consecutive terms.

3. Members of the ~~Medical-Care~~ *Medicaid* Advisory Committee serve without compensation, except that while engaged in the business of the Advisory Committee, each member is entitled to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally.

Sec. 58. NRS 422.205 is hereby amended to read as follows:

422.205 1. ~~A reinvestment advisory committee~~ *The Medicaid Advisory Committee* shall:

(a) Solicit and review reports from the Division and Medicaid managed care organizations concerning the reinvestment of funds by those Medicaid managed care organizations in the communities served by the Medicaid managed care organizations.

(b) Report to the Division and Medicaid managed care organizations concerning initiatives of local governments in ~~the~~ *each* county *whose population is 700,000 or more* to address homelessness, housing issues and social determinants of health.

(c) Make recommendations based on the reports reviewed pursuant to paragraph (a) to the Division and Medicaid managed care organizations concerning the reinvestment of funds by those Medicaid managed care organizations in the communities served by the Medicaid managed care organizations. Those recommendations must include, without limitation, recommendations for the use of such funds for the purposes of:

(1) Developing innovative partnerships with community development organizations and providers of housing services; and



(2) Supporting the initiatives of local governments in ~~the~~ *each* county *whose population is 700,000 or more* to address homelessness, housing issues and social determinants of health.

2. On or before December 31 of each year, ~~a reinvestment advisory committee~~ *the Medicaid Advisory Committee* shall:

(a) Compile a report concerning:

(1) The uses of funds reinvested by Medicaid managed care organizations in the communities served by those Medicaid managed care organizations, including, without limitation, efforts to address homelessness, disparities in health care and social determinants of health; and

(2) The activities of the ~~reinvestment advisory committee~~ *Medicaid Advisory Committee* during the calendar year, including, without limitation, the recommendations made by the ~~reinvestment advisory committee~~ *Medicaid Advisory Committee* pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection 1.

(b) Submit the report to:

(1) The Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to:

(I) In odd-numbered years, the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Health and Human Services; and

(II) In even-numbered years, the next regular session of the Legislature.

(2) The Director of the Department.

3. As used in this section, “Medicaid managed care organization” means a managed care organization that provides health care services to recipients of Medicaid who reside in ~~the~~ *a* county ~~for which a reinvestment advisory committee is established,~~ *whose population is 700,000 or more.*

Sec. 59. NRS 425.610 is hereby amended to read as follows:

425.610 1. The Committee to Review Child Support Guidelines is hereby created. The Committee consists of:

(a) The presiding judge of the Family Division of the Second Judicial District Court or his or her designee;

(b) The presiding judge of the Family Division of the Eighth Judicial District Court or his or her designee;

~~(c) One member who is a district court judge or master from a judicial district other than the Second or Eighth Judicial District, appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court;~~

~~—(d) One member who is a justice or retired justice of the Supreme Court, appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court;~~

~~—(e)~~ *One member who is a district attorney in Clark County or Washoe County*, appointed by the governing body of the Nevada District Attorneys Association, or his or her designee;



~~1 (f) One member who is a district attorney in Washoe County,~~
2 ~~appointed by the governing body of the Nevada District Attorneys~~
3 ~~Association, or his or her designee;~~

4 ~~—(g)~~ (d) One member who is a district attorney in a county other
5 than Clark or Washoe County, appointed by the governing body of
6 the Nevada District Attorneys Association, or his or her designee;

7 ~~[(h) Two members]~~

8 (e) One member who ~~are members~~ is a member of the Family
9 Law Section of the State Bar of Nevada, appointed by the Executive
10 Council of the Family Law Section;

11 ~~[(i)]~~ (f) One member who is an employee of the Division,
12 appointed by the Administrator;

13 ~~[(j)]~~ (g) One member who has expertise in economics and child
14 support, appointed by the Administrator;

15 ~~[(k) Two members]~~

16 (h) One member who ~~are Senators, one of whom~~ is a Senator,
17 jointly appointed by the Majority Leader of the Senate and ~~one of~~
18 ~~whom is appointed by~~ the Minority Leader of the Senate; and

19 ~~[(l) Two members]~~

20 (i) One member who ~~are members~~ is a member of the
21 Assembly ~~one of whom is~~ jointly appointed by the Speaker of the
22 Assembly and ~~one of whom is appointed by~~ the Minority Leader
23 of the Assembly.

24 ➤ If any association listed in this subsection ceases to exist, the
25 appointment required by this subsection must be made by the
26 association's successor in interest or, if there is no successor in
27 interest, by the ~~Governor.~~ Director of the Department of Health
28 and Human Services.

29 2. Each appointed member serves a term of ~~4~~ 2 years.
30 Members may be reappointed for **one** additional ~~terms~~ term of ~~4~~
31 2 years in the same manner as the original appointments. Any
32 vacancy occurring in the membership of the Committee must be
33 filled in the same manner as the original appointment not later than
34 30 days after the vacancy occurs.

35 3. At the first regular meeting every ~~4~~ 2 years, the members
36 of the Committee shall elect a Chair by majority vote who shall
37 serve until the next Chair is elected.

38 4. ~~The Committee shall convene on or before September 1,~~
39 ~~2017, and shall meet at least once every 4 years thereafter. The~~
40 ~~Committee may also meet at such further times as deemed necessary~~
41 ~~by the Chair.~~

42 —5. A majority of the members of the Committee constitutes a
43 quorum for the transaction of business, and a majority of those
44 members present at any meeting is sufficient for any official action
45 taken by the Committee.



Sec. 60. Chapter 427A of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. The Nevada Commission on Aging and Cognitive Health, consisting of seven members, is hereby created.

2. The Commission consists of:

(a) The following members appointed by the Director:

(1) Two members who are 55 years of age or older and who have experience with or an interest in and knowledge of the problems of and services for the aging.

(2) One member who is a representative of the Nevada System of Higher Education and who has expertise in cognitive disorders.

(3) One member who is a representative of caregivers for person with cognitive disorders.

(4) One member who is a representative of the general public.

(b) One member who is a member of the Senate and one member who is a member of the Assembly appointed by the Legislative Commission with appropriate regard for his or her experience with and knowledge of matters relating to older persons.

Sec. 61. NRS 433.428 is hereby amended to read as follows:

433.428 ~~[Five]~~ **Three** behavioral health regions are hereby created as follows:

1. The Northern Behavioral Health Region consisting of Carson City and the counties of Churchill, Douglas, Lyon, ~~and~~ Storey ~~and~~ Washoe;

2. ~~The Washoe Behavioral Health Region consisting of the county of Washoe;~~

~~—3.—~~ The Rural Behavioral Health Region consisting of the counties of Elko, Eureka, Humboldt, Lander, Pershing and White Pine; ~~and~~

~~[4.] 3. The Southern Behavioral Health Region consisting of the counties of Clark, Esmeralda, Lincoln, ~~and~~ Mineral and ~~the portion of the county of~~ Nye. ~~that is north of the 38th parallel of north latitude; and~~~~

~~—5.— The Clark Behavioral Health Region consisting of the county of Clark and the portion of the county of Nye that is south of the 38th parallel of north latitude.]~~

Sec. 62. NRS 433.429 is hereby amended to read as follows:

433.429 1. A regional behavioral health policy board is hereby created for each behavioral health region.

2. Each policy board consists of ~~[not less than 7]~~ **seven members ~~[and not more than 13 members]~~ appointed pursuant to this section.**



3. The Speaker of the Assembly shall appoint to each policy board one member who represents the criminal justice system.

4. The Majority Leader of the Senate shall appoint to each policy board one member who represents law enforcement agencies and who has experience with and knowledge of matters relating to persons in need of behavioral health services.

5. The ~~{Governor shall appoint to each policy board one member who has extensive experience in the delivery of social services in the field of behavioral health, including, without limitation, directors or officers of social service agencies in the behavioral health region.~~

~~—6.— The~~ Legislative Commission shall appoint to each policy board one member who is a Legislator.

~~{7.}~~ 6. The ~~{Administrator}~~ *Director of the Department* shall appoint to each policy board:

(a) One member who ~~{represents the interests of hospitals, residential long term care facilities or facilities that provide acute inpatient behavioral health services;~~

~~—(b) One member who represents the interests of administrators or counselors who are employed at facilities for the treatment of alcohol or other substance use disorders; and~~

~~—(c) One member who represents providers of emergency medical services or fire services and who has experience providing emergency services to behavioral health patients, which may include, without limitation, a paramedic or physician.—~~

~~—8.— The members appointed to a policy board pursuant to subsections 2 to 7, inclusive, may appoint to the policy board:~~

~~—(a) One member who represents the interests of community-based organizations which provide~~ *has extensive experience in the delivery of social services in the field of* behavioral health *{services.}* , *including, without limitation, directors or officers of social service agencies in the behavioral health region.*

(b) One member who represents the interests of owners or administrators of residential treatment facilities, transitional housing or other housing for persons with a mental illness or persons who have an alcohol or other substance use disorder.

~~{(c) One member who is a health officer of a county or who holds a position with similar duties or, if no such person is available, an employee of a city, county or Indian tribe who has experience in the field of public health.~~

~~—(d)}~~ (c) One member who is a psychiatrist or a psychologist who holds the degree of doctor of psychology, has clinical experience and is licensed to practice in this State or, if no such person is available, a provider of health care, as defined in NRS 629.031, who has experience working with persons with a mental



1 illness or persons who have an alcohol or other substance use
2 disorder.

3 ~~{(e) One member who represents private or public insurers who~~
4 ~~offer coverage for behavioral health services or, if no such person is~~
5 ~~available, another person who has experience in the field of~~
6 ~~insurance or working with insurers.~~

7 ~~—(f)}~~ (d) One member who has received behavioral health
8 services in this State, including, without limitation, services for
9 substance use disorders, or a family member of such a person or, if
10 such a person is not available, a person who represents the interests
11 of behavioral health patients or the families of behavioral health
12 patients.

13 ~~{9. If the members of a policy board described in subsections 2~~
14 ~~to 7, inclusive, appoint both a member described in paragraph (a) of~~
15 ~~subsection 8 and a member described in paragraph (b) of subsection~~
16 ~~8, at least one of those members must be a behavioral health~~
17 ~~professional who has experience in evaluating and treating children.~~

18 ~~—10.}~~ 7. In making appointments, preference must be given to
19 persons who reside in the behavioral health region served by the
20 policy board.

21 ~~{11.}~~ 8. Each member of the policy board serves ~~{without~~
22 ~~compensation}~~ for a term of 2 years and may be reappointed ~~{}~~ ,
23 *except that a member may not serve more than two terms.* The
24 appointing authority may remove a member from the policy board if
25 the appointing authority determines the member has neglected his or
26 her duties.

27 ~~{12.}~~ 9. If a vacancy occurs during the term of:

28 (a) A member who was appointed pursuant to subsection ~~{2.}~~ 3,
29 ~~{}~~ *or 5* , ~~{or 6.}~~ the vacancy must be filled in the same manner as
30 the original appointment for the remainder of the unexpired term.

31 (b) A member who was appointed pursuant to subsection ~~{7.}~~ 6,
32 the policy board shall, by majority vote, appoint a member to fill the
33 vacancy for the remainder of the unexpired term.

34 ~~{(c) A member who was appointed pursuant to subsection 8, the~~
35 ~~policy board may, by majority vote, appoint a member to fill the~~
36 ~~vacancy for the remainder of the unexpired term.~~

37 ~~—13.}~~ 10. Each policy board shall meet not later than 60 days
38 after all appointments to such board have been made and elect one
39 member of the policy board to act as the Chair for the biennium.
40 The Director of the Department or his or her designee shall preside
41 over the election of the Chair for each policy board at each board's
42 first meeting. ~~{Except as otherwise provided in subsection 14, each~~
43 ~~policy board shall thereafter meet at least quarterly at the call of the~~
44 ~~Chair.}~~



~~{14-}~~ 11. A policy board is not required to meet during any legislative session. If a policy board meets during a legislative session, the member of the policy board who is a Legislator is excused from attendance.

~~{15-}~~ 12. As used in this section, “social services agency” means any public agency or organization that provides social services in this State, including, without limitation, welfare and health care services.

Sec. 63. NRS 433.726 is hereby amended to read as follows:

433.726 1. The Advisory Committee for a Resilient Nevada is hereby created within the Department.

2. The Attorney General shall appoint to the Advisory Committee ~~{ }~~ **five members, including, without limitation:**

(a) One member who possesses knowledge, skills and experience working with youth in the juvenile justice system;

(b) One member who possesses knowledge, skills and experience working with persons in the criminal justice system;

(c) One member who possesses knowledge, skills and experience in the surveillance of overdoses; and

(d) ~~{One member}~~ **Two members** who:

(1) ~~{Resides}~~ **Reside** in a county other than Clark or Washoe County; and

(2) ~~{Has}~~ **Have** experience having a substance use disorder or having a family member who has a substance use disorder.

3. The Office shall appoint to the Advisory Committee:

(a) One member who:

(1) Resides in Clark County; and

(2) Has experience having a substance use disorder or having a family member who has a substance use disorder;

(b) One member who possesses knowledge, skills and experience in public health;

(c) One member who is the director of an agency which provides child welfare services or his or her designee;

(d) One member who represents a program that specializes in the prevention of substance use by youth;

(e) One member who represents a faith-based organization that specializes in recovery from substance use disorders; and

(f) One member who represents a program for substance use disorders that is operated by a nonprofit organization and certified pursuant to NRS 458.025.

~~4. {The Director of the Department shall appoint to the Advisory Committee:~~

~~—(a) One member who:~~

~~—(1) Resides in Washoe County; and~~



~~— (2) Has experience having a substance use disorder or having a family member who has a substance use disorder;~~

~~— (b) One member who is a physician certified in the field of addiction medicine by the American Board of Addiction Medicine or its successor organization;~~

~~— (c) One member who represents a nonprofit, community-oriented organization that specializes in peer-led recovery from substance use disorders;~~

~~— (d) One member who has survived an opioid overdose;~~

~~— (e) One member who represents a program to prevent overdoses or otherwise reduce the harm caused by the use of substances;~~

~~— (f) One member who represents an organization that specializes in housing; and~~

~~— (g) One member who possesses knowledge, skills and experience with the education of pupils in kindergarten through 12th grade.~~

~~— 5.]~~ In appointing the members of the Advisory Committee pursuant to subsections 2 ~~[.]~~ and 3 , ~~{and 4.}~~ the appointing authorities shall coordinate the appointments when practicable so that the members of the Advisory Committee represent the diversity of:

(a) This State; and

(b) The communities within this State that are disproportionately affected by opioid use disorder and disparities in access to care and health outcomes.

~~[6.]~~ 5. The term of each member of the Advisory Committee is 2 years. A member may be reappointed for an additional term of 2 years in the same manner as the original appointment. **A member may not serve more than two terms.** A vacancy occurring in the membership of the Advisory Committee must be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.

~~[7.]~~ 6. To the extent that money is available for these purposes ~~f:~~

~~— (a) Each member of the Advisory Committee who is not an officer or employee of this State is entitled to receive a salary of not more than \$80, as fixed by the Department, for each day or portion of a day spent on the business of the Advisory Committee.~~

~~— (b) Each] ,~~ **each** member of the Advisory Committee is entitled to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally while engaged in the business of the Advisory Committee.

~~[8.]~~ 7. A member of the Advisory Committee who is an officer or employee of this State or a political subdivision of this State must be relieved from his or her duties without loss of regular compensation to prepare for and attend meetings of the Advisory



Committee and perform any work necessary to carry out the duties of the Advisory Committee in the most timely manner practicable. A state agency or political subdivision of this State shall not require an officer or employee who is a member of the Advisory Committee to:

(a) Make up the time he or she is absent from work to carry out his or her duties as a member of the Advisory Committee; or

(b) Take annual leave or compensatory time for the absence.

Sec. 64. Chapter 433B of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. The Nevada Children's Mental and Behavioral Health Consortium consisting of nine members appointed by the Director of the Department is hereby created within the Department.

2. The Director of the Department shall appoint:

(a) One member who is a representative of the Division of Public and Behavioral Health of the Department.

(b) One member who is a representative of an agency in a county in this State which provides child welfare services.

(c) One member who is a representative of the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy of the Department.

(d) One member who is a representative of the board of trustees of a school district.

(e) One member who is a representative of a local juvenile probation department.

(f) One member who is a private provider of mental health care.

(g) One member who is a provider of foster care.

(h) One member who is the parent of a child with an emotional disturbance.

(i) One member who is a representative of an agency which provides services for the treatment and prevention of substance use disorders.

Sec. 65. Chapter 439 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. The Wellness and Prevention Advisory Council consisting of 11 members is hereby created.

2. The Council consists of:

(a) The Chief Medical Officer or his or her designee.

(b) The following members appointed by the Director:

(1) Three members who are physicians who practice in the area of cardiology, emergency care, neurology, oncology, orthopedics, pediatrics or primary care and provide care to patients with rare diseases.

(2) One member who is a registered nurse who provides care to patients with rare diseases.



(3) One member who is the administrator of a hospital that provides care to patients with rare diseases.

(4) One member who is 18 years of age or older and who has suffered from or is currently suffering from a rare disease.

(5) One member who is a representative of an organization dedicated to providing services to patients suffering from rare diseases in this State.

(6) One member who is a member of a racial or ethnic minority group appointed from a list of persons submitted to the Director by the Advisory Committee of the Office of Minority Health and Equity of the Department.

(7) Two members who are licensed as dietitians pursuant to chapter 640E of NRS.

Sec. 66. NRS 439.2792 is hereby amended to read as follows:
439.2792 1. There is hereby created within the Department the Advisory Committee on the State Program for Oral Health to advise and make recommendations to the Department concerning the Program.

2. The Director shall appoint to the Advisory Committee ~~13~~ nine members ~~including, without limitation, one or more persons who are representatives of:~~ as follows:

(a) ~~Public~~ Two members who are representatives of public health care professionals and educators;

(b) ~~Providers~~ Three members who are representatives of providers of oral health care;

(c) ~~Persons~~ Two members who are representatives of persons knowledgeable in promoting and educating the public on oral health issues; and

(d) ~~National~~ Two members who are representatives of dental ~~and~~ or other oral health organizations ~~and~~ or their local or state chapters.

3. After the initial terms, the members of the Advisory Committee serve terms of 2 years commencing on July 1. A member may be reappointed ~~1~~, except that a member may not serve more than two terms.

4. Members of the Advisory Committee serve without compensation, except that each member is entitled, while engaged in the business of the Advisory Committee, to the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally.

5. Any member of the Advisory Committee who is a public employee must be granted administrative leave from his or her duties to engage in the business of the Advisory Committee without loss of his or her regular compensation. Such leave does not reduce the amount of the member's other accrued leave.



6. A majority of the members of the Advisory Committee constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business, and a majority of a quorum present at any meeting is sufficient for any official action taken by the Advisory Committee.

7. The Advisory Committee shall:

(a) At its first meeting and annually thereafter, elect a Chair from among its members; **and**

(b) ~~Meet at the call of the Director, the Chair or a majority of its members as necessary and within the budget of the Advisory Committee; and~~

~~—(c)—~~ On or before July 1 of each year, submit a written report to the Director summarizing the activities of the Advisory Committee and any recommendations of the Advisory Committee.

Sec. 67. NRS 445B.200 is hereby amended to read as follows:

445B.200 1. The State Environmental Commission is hereby created within the Department. The Commission consists of:

(a) The Director of the Department of Wildlife;

(b) The State Forester Firewarden;

(c) The State Engineer;

(d) The Director of the State Department of Agriculture;

(e) The Administrator of the Division of Minerals of the Commission on Mineral Resources;

(f) A member of the State Board of Health to be designated by that Board; and

(g) ~~Five~~ **Three** members appointed by the Governor:

(1) One of whom is a general engineering contractor or a general building contractor licensed pursuant to chapter 624 of NRS;

(2) One of whom possesses expertise in performing mining reclamation; and

(3) One of whom possesses experience and expertise in advocating issues relating to conservation.

2. The Governor shall appoint the Chair of the Commission from among the members of the Commission.

3. A majority of the members constitutes a quorum, and a majority of those present must concur in any decision.

4. Each member who is appointed by the Governor is entitled to receive a salary of not more than \$80, as fixed by the Commission, for each day's attendance at a meeting of the Commission.

5. While engaged in the business of the Commission, each member and employee of the Commission is entitled to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally.



6. Any person who receives or has received during the previous 2 years a significant portion of his or her income, as defined by any applicable state or federal law, directly or indirectly from one or more holders of or applicants for a permit required by NRS 445A.300 to 445A.730, inclusive, is disqualified from serving as a member of the Commission. The provisions of this subsection do not apply to any person who receives, or has received during the previous 2 years, a significant portion of his or her income from any department or agency of State Government which is a holder of or an applicant for a permit required by NRS 445A.300 to 445A.730, inclusive.

7. The Department shall provide technical advice, support and assistance to the Commission. All state officers, departments, commissions and agencies, including the Department of Transportation, the Department of Health and Human Services, the Nevada System of Higher Education, the State Public Works Board, the Department of Motor Vehicles, the Department of Public Safety, the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada, the Nevada Transportation Authority and the State Department of Agriculture may also provide technical advice, support and assistance to the Commission.

Sec. 68. NRS 450B.151 is hereby amended to read as follows:

450B.151 1. The ~~{Committee—on}~~ Emergency Medical Services ~~{}~~ ***Subcommittee of the State Board of Health***, consisting of 11 members appointed by the State Board of Health, is hereby created.

2. Upon request of the State Board of Health, employee associations that represent persons that provide emergency medical services, including, without limitation, physicians and nurses that provide emergency medical services, emergency medical technicians, ambulance attendants, firefighters, fire chiefs and employees of rural hospitals, shall submit to the State Board of Health written nominations for appointments to the ~~{Committee—}~~ ***Subcommittee***.

3. After considering the nominations submitted pursuant to subsection 2, the State Board of Health shall appoint to the ~~{Committee—}~~ ***Subcommittee***:

(a) One member who is a physician licensed pursuant to chapter 630 or 633 of NRS and who has experience providing emergency medical services;

(b) One member who is a registered nurse and who has experience providing emergency medical services;

(c) One member who is a volunteer for an organization that provides emergency medical services pursuant to this chapter;



(d) One member who is employed by a fire-fighting agency at which some of the firefighters and persons who provide emergency medical services for the agency are employed and some serve as volunteers;

(e) One member who is employed by an urban fire-fighting agency;

(f) One member who is employed by or serves as a volunteer with a medical facility that is located in a rural area and that provides emergency medical services;

(g) One member who is employed by an organization that provides emergency medical services in an air ambulance and whose duties are closely related to such emergency medical services;

(h) One member who is employed by or serves as a volunteer with a local governmental agency that provides emergency medical services but which is not a part of a fire-fighting agency or law enforcement agency;

(i) One member who is employed by a privately owned entity that provides emergency medical services; and

(j) One member who is employed by an operator of a service which is:

(1) Provided for the benefit of the employees of an industry who become sick or are injured at the industrial site; and

(2) Staffed by employees who are licensed attendants and perform emergency medical services primarily for the industry.

4. The ~~{Committee}~~ Subcommittee shall solicit and accept applications from persons who are employed by or volunteer with an agency, organization or other operator that provides emergency medical services on tribal land. After considering the applications submitted pursuant to this subsection, the ~~{Committee}~~ Subcommittee shall recommend and the State Board of Health shall appoint to the ~~{Committee}~~ Subcommittee one member who is employed by or volunteers with an agency, organization or other operator that provides emergency medical services on tribal land.

5. In addition to the members set forth in subsections 3 and 4, the following persons are ex officio members of the ~~{Committee;}~~ Subcommittee:

(a) An employee of the Division, appointed by the Administrator of the Division, whose duties relate to administration and enforcement of the provisions of this chapter;

(b) The county health officer appointed pursuant to NRS 439.290 in each county whose population is 100,000 or more, or the county health officer's designee;



(c) A physician who is a member of a committee which consists of directors of trauma centers in this State and who is nominated by that committee; and

(d) A representative of a committee or group which focuses on the provision of emergency medical services to children in this State and who is nominated by that committee or group.

6. The term of each member appointed by the State Board of Health is 2 years. A member may not serve more than two consecutive terms but may serve more than two terms if there is a break in service of not less than 2 years.

7. The State Board of Health shall not appoint to the ~~{Committee}~~ Subcommittee two persons who are employed by or volunteer with the same organization, except the State Board of Health may appoint a person who is employed by or volunteers with the same organization of which a member who serves ex officio is an employee.

8. Each member of the ~~{Committee}~~ Subcommittee shall appoint an alternate to serve in the member's place if the member is temporarily unable to perform the duties required of him or her pursuant to NRS 450B.151 to 450B.154, inclusive.

9. A position on the ~~{Committee}~~ Subcommittee that becomes vacant before the end of the term of the member must be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.

Sec. 69. NRS 490.067 is hereby amended to read as follows:

490.067 1. The Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles is hereby created in the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

2. The Commission consists of:

(a) ~~{One member who is an authorized dealer, appointed by the Governor;~~

~~—(b)}~~ One member who is a sportsman, appointed by the ~~{Governor}~~ Director of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources from a list of persons submitted by the Director of the Department of Wildlife;

~~{(c) One member who is a rancher, appointed by the Governor from a list of persons submitted by the Director of the State Department of Agriculture;~~

~~—(d)}~~ (b) One member who is a representative of the Nevada Association of Counties, appointed by the ~~{Governor}~~ Director of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources from a list of persons submitted by the Executive Director of the Association;

~~{(e)}~~ (c) One member who is a representative of law enforcement, appointed by the ~~{Governor}~~ Director of the State



Department of Conservation and Natural Resources from a list of persons submitted by the Nevada Sheriffs' and Chiefs' Association;

~~[(f)]~~ (d) One member who is actively engaged in and possesses experience and expertise in advocating for issues relating to conservation, appointed by the ~~{Governor; and}~~ *Director of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources*;

~~[(g)] Three members;~~

(e) One member, appointed by the ~~{Governor;}~~ *Director of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources*, who ~~[reside]~~ *resides* in the State of Nevada and ~~[have participated]~~ *has experience* in recreational activities for *at least one of the following types of* off-highway vehicles : ~~[for at least 5 years using the type of off-highway vehicle owned or operated by the persons they will represent, as follows:]~~

(1) ~~{One member who represents persons who own or operate all-terrain}~~ *All-terrain* vehicles . ~~[-]~~

(2) ~~{One member who represents persons who own or operate all-terrain motorcycles and who is involved with or participates in the racing of off-highway motorcycles; and}~~ *Motorcycles.*

(3) ~~{One member who represents persons who own or operate snowmobiles.}~~ *Snowmobiles.*

~~[3. The following are nonvoting, ex officio members of the Commission:~~

~~—(a)]~~ (f) The State Director of the Nevada State Office of the Bureau of Land Management; *and*

~~[(b)] The Forest Supervisor for the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest;~~

~~—(c)]~~ (g) The Director of the Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs . ~~[-]~~ *and*

~~—(d)] The Director of the Department of Motor Vehicles.~~

~~4.]~~ 3. A ~~[nonvoting, ex officio]~~ member of the Commission *specified in paragraph (f) or (g) of subsection 2* may appoint, in writing, an alternate to serve in his or her place on the Commission.

~~[5.]~~ 4. The ~~{Governor}~~ *Director of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources* shall not appoint to the Commission ~~[any]~~ *the* member described in paragraph ~~[(g)]~~ (e) of subsection 2 unless the member has been recommended to the ~~{Governor}~~ *Director* by an off-highway vehicle organization. As used in this subsection, “off-highway vehicle organization” means a profit or nonprofit corporation, association or organization formed pursuant to the laws of this State and which promotes off-highway vehicle recreation or racing.

~~[6.]~~ 5. After the initial terms, each member of the Commission appointed pursuant to subsection 2 serves for a term of ~~[3]~~ 2 years.



1 A vacancy on the Commission must be filled in the same manner as
2 the original appointment.

3 ~~{7. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a}~~

4 **6.** A member of the Commission who is appointed may not
5 serve more than two ~~{consecutive}~~ terms on the Commission. ~~{A~~
6 ~~member who has served two consecutive terms on the Commission~~
7 ~~may be reappointed if the Governor does not receive any~~
8 ~~applications for that member's seat or if the Governor determines~~
9 ~~that no qualified applicants are available to fill that member's seat.~~

10 ~~—8.}~~ **7.** The ~~{Governor}~~ *Director of the State Department of*
11 *Conservation and Natural Resources* shall ensure that, insofar as
12 practicable, the members appointed to the Commission pursuant to
13 subsection 2 reflect the geographical diversity of this State.

14 ~~{9.}~~ **8.** Each member of the Commission:

15 (a) Is entitled to receive, if money is available for that purpose,
16 the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state
17 officers and employees generally.

18 (b) ~~{Who is not an officer or employee of the State of Nevada is~~
19 ~~entitled to receive, if money is available for that purpose, a salary of~~
20 ~~not more than \$80 per day for each day of attendance at a meeting~~
21 ~~of the Commission.~~

22 ~~—(c)}~~ Shall swear or affirm that he or she will work to create and
23 promote responsible off-highway vehicle recreation in the State.

24 ~~{10.}~~ **9.** A member of the Commission who is appointed by the
25 ~~{Governor}~~ *Director of the State Department of Conservation and*
26 *Natural Resources* and who fails to attend at least three consecutive
27 meetings of the Commission is subject to replacement. The
28 Commission shall notify the appointing authority or group who
29 recommended the member for appointment, if any, and the
30 appointing authority or group may recommend a person to replace
31 that member of the Commission. The replacement of a member
32 pursuant to this subsection must be conducted in the same manner as
33 the original appointment.

34 **Sec. 70.** NRS 561.045 is hereby amended to read as follows:

35 561.045 There is hereby created in the Department a State
36 Board of Agriculture composed of ~~{13}~~ **nine** members appointed by
37 the Governor.

38 **Sec. 71.** NRS 561.055 is hereby amended to read as follows:

39 561.055 1. The membership of the Board consists of:

40 (a) ~~{Two members}~~ **One member** who ~~{are}~~ **is** actively engaged
41 in range or semirange cattle **or sheep** production.

42 (b) One member who is actively engaged in dairy production.

43 (c) ~~{One member who is actively engaged in range or semirange~~
44 ~~sheep production.~~

45 ~~—(d)}~~ One member who is actively engaged in general agriculture.



- 1 ~~{(e) Two members}~~
2 (d) **One member** who ~~{are}~~ **is** actively engaged in growing
3 crops, at least one of which is a specialty crop.
4 ~~{(f)}~~ (e) One member who is actively engaged in the control of
5 pests.
6 ~~{(g)}~~ (f) One member who is actively engaged in the petroleum
7 industry ~~{}~~
8 ~~{(h)}~~ **or who is working in the field of supplemental nutrition**
9 **distribution or a similar field.**
10 (g) One member who is actively engaged in raising nursery
11 stock.
12 ~~{(i) One member who is working in the field of supplemental~~
13 ~~nutrition distribution.~~
14 ~~{(j)}~~ (h) One member who is actively engaged in food
15 manufacturing or animal processing.
16 ~~{(k)}~~ (i) One member who has veterinary experience in a mixed-
17 animal or large-animal practice and is licensed to practice veterinary
18 medicine pursuant to chapter 638 of NRS.
19 2. Not more than two members may be residents of the same
20 county.
21 **Sec. 72.** NRS 610.030 is hereby amended to read as follows:
22 610.030 There is hereby created the State Apprenticeship
23 Council composed of:
24 1. The following ~~{voting}~~ members, appointed by the Governor
25 upon recommendation of the Labor Commissioner:
26 (a) ~~{Two members}~~ **One member** who ~~{represent}~~ **represents**
27 management and ~~{have,}~~ **has**, or ~~{have}~~ **has** had, a defined role in a
28 jointly administered apprenticeship program . ~~{, one of whom must~~
29 ~~be from northern Nevada and one of whom must be from southern~~
30 ~~Nevada.}~~
31 (b) ~~{Two members}~~ **One member** who ~~{represent}~~ **represents**
32 labor and ~~{have,}~~ **has**, or ~~{have}~~ **has** had, a defined role in a jointly
33 administered apprenticeship program . ~~{, one of whom must be from~~
34 ~~northern Nevada and one of whom must be from southern Nevada.}~~
35 (c) ~~{Two members, one}~~ **One member** who represents
36 management and one **member** who represents labor, who have, or
37 have had, a defined role or job in a statewide, jointly administered
38 apprenticeship program.
39 (d) One member who is a representative of the general public.
40 2. ~~{The following nonvoting members:~~
41 ~~{(a)}~~ The Executive Director of the Office of Economic
42 Development or his or her designee.
43 ~~{(b)}~~ 3. The Superintendent of Public Instruction or his or her
44 designee.



~~[(c)]~~ 4. One representative of a community college ~~located in a county whose population is 700,000 or more,~~ appointed by the Chancellor of the Nevada System of Higher Education.

~~[(d)] One representative of a community college located in a county whose population is less than 700,000, appointed by the Chancellor of the Nevada System of Higher Education.]~~

Sec. 73. NRS 612.220 is hereby amended to read as follows:
612.220 The Administrator:

1. Shall administer this chapter.

~~2. [Is responsible for the administration, through the Administrator of the Commission on Postsecondary Education, of the provisions of NRS 394.383 to 394.560, inclusive.~~

~~—3.]~~ Has power and authority to adopt, amend or rescind such rules and regulations consistent with the provisions of federal law, to employ, in accordance with the provisions of this chapter, such persons, make such expenditures, require such reports, make such investigations, and take such other action as the Administrator deems necessary or suitable to that end.

~~[(4)]~~ 3. Shall determine his or her own organization and methods of procedure for the Division in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.

~~[(5)]~~ 4. To the extent allowed by federal law, may, by regulation, suspend, modify, amend or waive any requirement of this chapter for the duration of a state of emergency or declaration of disaster proclaimed pursuant to NRS 414.070 and for any additional period of time during which the emergency or disaster directly affects the requirement of this chapter if:

(a) The Administrator determines the action is:

(1) In the best interest of the Division, this State or the general health, safety and welfare of the citizens of this State; or

(2) Necessary to comply with instructions received from the Department of Labor; and

(b) The action of the Administrator is approved by the Governor.

Sec. 74. NRS 616B.554 is hereby amended to read as follows:

616B.554 1. There is hereby created in the Fund for Workers' Compensation and Safety in the State Treasury the Subsequent Injury Account for Self-Insured Employers, which may be used only to make payments in accordance with the provisions of NRS 616B.557 and 616B.560. The ~~[Board]~~ Administrator shall administer the Account. ~~[based upon recommendations made by the Administrator pursuant to subsection 8.]~~

2. All assessments, penalties, bonds, securities and all other properties received, collected or acquired by the ~~[Board for the Subsequent Injury Account for Self-Insured Employers]~~



Administrator pursuant to this section, NRS 616B.557 and 616B.560 must be delivered to the custody of the State Treasurer.

3. All money and securities in the Account must be held by the State Treasurer as custodian thereof to be used solely for workers' compensation for employees of self-insured employers.

4. The State Treasurer may disburse money from the Account only upon written order of the ~~{Board.}~~ *Administrator.*

5. The State Treasurer shall invest money of the Account in the same manner and in the same securities in which the State Treasurer is authorized to invest State General Funds which are in the custody of the State Treasurer. Income realized from the investment of the assets of the Account must be credited to the Fund.

6. The ~~{Board.}~~ *Administrator* shall adopt regulations for the establishment and administration of assessment rates, payments and penalties. Assessment rates must result in an equitable distribution of costs among the self-insured employers and must be based upon expected annual expenditures for claims for payments from the Subsequent Injury Account for Self-Insured Employers.

7. The Commissioner shall assign an actuary to review the establishment of assessment rates. The rates must be filed with the Commissioner 30 days before their effective date. Any self-insured employer who wishes to appeal the rate so filed must do so pursuant to NRS 679B.310.

8. The Administrator shall ~~{~~
~~—(a) Evaluate}~~ *evaluate* any claim submitted to the ~~{Board}~~ *Administrator* for payment or reimbursement from the Subsequent Injury Account for Self-Insured Employers and ~~{recommend to the Board any}~~ *determine the* appropriate action to be taken concerning the claim. ~~{; and~~

~~—(b) Submit to the Board any other recommendations relating to the Account.}~~

Sec. 75. NRS 616B.557 is hereby amended to read as follows:
616B.557 Except as otherwise provided in NRS 616B.560:

1. If an employee of a self-insured employer has a permanent physical impairment from any cause or origin and incurs a subsequent disability by injury arising out of and in the course of his or her employment which entitles the employee to compensation for disability that is substantially greater by reason of the combined effects of the preexisting impairment and the subsequent injury than that which would have resulted from the subsequent injury alone, the compensation due must be charged to the Subsequent Injury Account for Self-Insured Employers in accordance with regulations adopted by the ~~{Board.}~~ *Administrator.*

2. If the subsequent injury of such an employee results in his or her death and it is determined that the death would not have



1 occurred except for the preexisting permanent physical impairment,
2 the compensation due must be charged to the Subsequent Injury
3 Account for Self-Insured Employers in accordance with regulations
4 adopted by the ~~{Board.}~~ **Administrator**.

5 3. As used in this section, “permanent physical impairment”
6 means any permanent condition, whether congenital or caused by
7 injury or disease, of such seriousness as to constitute a hindrance or
8 obstacle to obtaining employment or to obtaining reemployment if
9 the employee is unemployed. For the purposes of this section, a
10 condition is not a “permanent physical impairment” unless it would
11 support a rating of permanent impairment of 6 percent or more of
12 the whole person if evaluated according to the American Medical
13 Association’s Guides to the Evaluation of Permanent Impairment as
14 adopted and supplemented by the Division pursuant to
15 NRS 616C.110.

16 4. To qualify under this section for reimbursement from the
17 Subsequent Injury Account for Self-Insured Employers, the self-
18 insured employer must establish by written records that the self-
19 insured employer had knowledge of the “permanent physical
20 impairment” at the time the employee was hired or that the
21 employee was retained in employment after the self-insured
22 employer acquired such knowledge.

23 5. A self-insured employer must submit to the ~~{Board}~~
24 **Administrator** a claim for reimbursement from the Subsequent
25 Injury Account for Self-Insured Employers.

26 6. The ~~{Board}~~ **Administrator** shall adopt regulations
27 establishing procedures for submitting claims against the
28 Subsequent Injury Account for Self-Insured Employers. The
29 ~~{Board}~~ **Administrator** shall notify the self-insured employer of its
30 decision on such a claim within 120 days after the claim is received.

31 7. An appeal of any decision made concerning a claim against
32 the Subsequent Injury Account for Self-Insured Employers must be
33 submitted directly to the ~~{district court.}~~ **appeals officer**.

34 **Sec. 76.** NRS 616B.572 is hereby amended to read as follows:

35 616B.572 ~~{1. The members of the Board may meet~~
36 ~~throughout each year at the times and places specified by a call of~~
37 ~~the Chair or a majority of the Board. The Board may prescribe rules~~
38 ~~and regulations for its own management and government. Three~~
39 ~~members of the Board constitute a quorum, and a quorum may~~
40 ~~exercise all the power and authority conferred on the Board. If a~~
41 ~~member of the Board submits a claim against the Subsequent Injury~~
42 ~~Account for Associations of Self-Insured Public or Private~~
43 ~~Employers, that member shall not vote on or otherwise participate in~~
44 ~~the decision of the Board concerning that claim.~~



1 —~~2.~~ The ~~{Board}~~ **Administrator** shall administer the Subsequent
2 Injury Account for Associations of Self-Insured Public or Private
3 Employers in accordance with the provisions of NRS 616B.575,
4 616B.578 and 616B.581.

5 **Sec. 77.** NRS 616B.575 is hereby amended to read as follows:

6 616B.575 1. There is hereby created in the Fund for
7 Workers' Compensation and Safety in the State Treasury the
8 Subsequent Injury Account for Associations of Self-Insured Public
9 or Private Employers, which may be used only to make payments in
10 accordance with the provisions of NRS 616B.578 and 616B.581.
11 The ~~{Board}~~ **Administrator** shall administer the Account . ~~{Based~~
12 ~~upon recommendations made by the Administrator pursuant to~~
13 ~~subsection 8.}~~

14 2. All assessments, penalties, bonds, securities and all other
15 properties received, collected or acquired by the ~~{Board for the~~
16 ~~Subsequent Injury Account for Associations of Self-Insured Public~~
17 ~~or Private Employers}~~ **Administrator pursuant to this section, NRS**
18 **616B.578 and 616B.581** must be delivered to the custody of the
19 State Treasurer.

20 3. All money and securities in the Account must be held by the
21 State Treasurer as custodian thereof to be used solely for workers'
22 compensation for employees of members of Associations of Self-
23 Insured Public or Private Employers.

24 4. The State Treasurer may disburse money from the Account
25 only upon written order of the ~~{Board.}~~ **Administrator.**

26 5. The State Treasurer shall invest money of the Account in the
27 same manner and in the same securities in which the State Treasurer
28 is authorized to invest State General Funds which are in the custody
29 of the State Treasurer. Income realized from the investment of the
30 assets of the Account must be credited to the Account.

31 6. The ~~{Board}~~ **Administrator** shall adopt regulations for the
32 establishment and administration of assessment rates, payments and
33 penalties. Assessment rates must result in an equitable distribution
34 of costs among the associations of self-insured public or private
35 employers and must be based upon expected annual expenditures for
36 claims for payments from the Subsequent Injury Account for
37 Associations of Self-Insured Public or Private Employers.

38 7. The Commissioner shall assign an actuary to review the
39 establishment of assessment rates. The rates must be filed with the
40 Commissioner 30 days before their effective date. Any association
41 of self-insured public or private employers that wishes to appeal the
42 rate so filed must do so pursuant to NRS 679B.310.

43 8. The Administrator shall ~~{:~~

44 —~~(a) Evaluate}~~ **evaluate** any claim submitted to the ~~{Board}~~
45 **Administrator** for payment or reimbursement from the Subsequent



Injury Account for Associations of Self-Insured Public or Private Employers and ~~{recommend to the Board any}~~ **determine the** appropriate action to be taken concerning the claim. ~~}; and~~

~~—(b) Submit to the Board any other recommendations relating to the Account.}~~

Sec. 78. NRS 618.605 is hereby amended to read as follows:

618.605 1. Upon the receipt of any written appeal or notice of contest under NRS 618.475, the Division shall within 15 working days ~~{notify the Board of such an}~~ **assign a hearing officer to hear the** appeal or contest.

2. The ~~{Board}~~ **hearing officer assigned pursuant to subsection 1** shall hold a formal fact-finding hearing and render its decision based on the evidence presented at the hearing.

3. Prior to any formal fact-finding hearing involving a citation for an accident or motor vehicle crash occurring in the course of employment which is fatal to one or more employees, the ~~{Board}~~ **Division** shall notify the immediate family of each deceased employee of:

(a) The time and place of the hearing; and

(b) The fact that the hearing is open to the public.

4. Any employee of an employer or representative of the employee may participate in and give evidence at the hearing, subject to rules and regulations of the ~~{Board}~~ **Division** governing the conduct of such hearings.

Sec. 79. NRS 622A.300 is hereby amended to read as follows:

622A.300 1. To initiate the prosecution of a contested case, the prosecutor shall file a charging document with the regulatory body and serve the licensee with the charging document.

2. ~~{The}~~ **Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a regulatory body shall determine whether the case will be heard by the regulatory body or a hearing panel or officer. If the regulatory body is a professional or occupational licensing board under the purview of the Office of Nevada Boards, Commissions and Councils Standards of the Department of Business and Industry pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 232.8415, the case must be heard by a hearing officer employed by the Office.**

3. The regulatory body or hearing panel or officer shall provide the licensee with written notice of the case pursuant to NRS 233B.121 and 241.0333.

4. If the case is heard by a hearing panel or officer, the hearing panel or officer shall follow the procedures established by this chapter and any other applicable statutory and regulatory provisions governing the case. The hearing panel or officer shall prepare written findings and recommendations and serve the findings and



1 recommendations on the parties and the regulatory body for its
2 review.

3 5. The findings and recommendations of the hearing panel or
4 officer do not become final unless they are approved by the
5 regulatory body after review. In reviewing the findings and
6 recommendations of the hearing panel or officer, the regulatory
7 body may:

8 (a) Approve the findings and recommendations, with or without
9 modification;

10 (b) Reject the findings and recommendations and remand the
11 case to the hearing panel or officer;

12 (c) Reject the findings and recommendations and order a hearing
13 de novo before the regulatory body; or

14 (d) Take any other action that the regulatory body deems
15 appropriate to resolve the case.

16 6. If the case is heard by the regulatory body, the regulatory
17 body shall follow the procedures established by this chapter and any
18 other applicable statutory and regulatory provisions governing the
19 case.

20 7. The regulatory body or the hearing panel or officer, with the
21 approval of the regulatory body, may consolidate two or more cases
22 if it appears that the cases involve common issues of law or fact and
23 the interests of the parties will not be prejudiced by the
24 consolidation.

25 **Sec. 80.** Chapter 623 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
26 thereto a new section to read as follows:

27 *1. The Nevada Board of Professional Design and*
28 *Environmental Specialist is hereby created.*

29 *2. The Board consists of:*

30 *(a) The Chief Medical Officer or his or her designee.*

31 *(b) Twelve members appointed by the Governor as follows:*

32 *(1) One member who is registered as a registered*
33 *residential designer pursuant to this chapter.*

34 *(2) One member who is registered as a registered interior*
35 *designer pursuant to this chapter.*

36 *(3) One member who is registered as an architect pursuant*
37 *to this chapter and who has been in the active practice of*
38 *architecture in this State for not less than 3 years immediately*
39 *preceding his or her appointment.*

40 *(4) Two members who:*

41 *(I) Are registered as landscape architects pursuant to*
42 *chapter 623A of NRS;*

43 *(II) Have been engaged in the practice of landscape*
44 *architecture in this State for not less than 3 years immediately*
45 *preceding their appointments; and*



(III) Have not been the subject of any disciplinary action by the Board in the 3 years immediately preceding their appointment.

(5) Two members engaged in the practice or teaching of professional engineering who are licensed pursuant to chapter 625 of NRS.

(6) Two members engaged in the practice or teaching of professional land surveying who are licensed pursuant to chapter 625 of NRS.

(7) One member who is employed by the health district containing Clark County and one member who is employed by the health district containing Washoe County, each of whom:

(I) Holds a current registration issued pursuant to NRS 625A.110 that is in good standing; and

(II) Has practiced in the field of environmental health for the 3 years immediately preceding his or her appointment.

(8) One member who represents the interests of the general public and who:

(I) Does not hold a license or registration issued by the Board;

(II) Is not the spouse or the parent or child, by blood, marriage or adoption, of a person who holds a license or registration issued by the Board; and

(III) Does not have a pecuniary interest in any matter pertaining to the professions and occupations regulated by the Board, except as a client or potential client.

3. Each member of the Board must be a resident of this State.

Sec. 81. NRS 624.070 is hereby amended to read as follows:

624.070 1. Each member of the Board serves a term of 4 years. A member of the Board may not serve more than two terms.

2. Each member of the Board shall:

~~(1)~~ (a) Receive a certificate of appointment from the Governor.

~~(2)~~ (b) Before entering upon the discharge of the duties of his or her office, take the constitutional oath of office.

Sec. 82. NRS 624.570 is hereby amended to read as follows:

624.570 1. The Commission on Construction Education is hereby created.

2. The Commission consists of one member who is a member of the Board and ~~six~~ four members appointed by the Governor as follows:

(a) ~~Four~~ Two members who are representatives of the construction industry ~~and who are not residents of the same county~~; and

(b) Two members who have knowledge of construction education programs.



3. Each member of the Commission serves a term of ~~3~~ 4 years. *A member may not serve more than two terms.*

4. ~~[The members]~~ *Each member* of the Commission ~~[who are appointed by the Governor serve without compensation,]~~ *is entitled to:*

(a) *A salary of not more than \$150 per day, as fixed by the Deputy Director of the Office of Nevada Boards, Commissions and Councils Standards of the Department of Business and Industry and approved by the Director of the Department, while engaged in the business of the Commission; and*

(b) *A per diem allowance* ~~[or reimbursement for]~~ *and travel expenses* ~~[While engaged in the business of the Commission, the member who is a member of the Board shall receive from the Board the same salary, per diem allowance and reimbursement for travel expenses the member receives]~~ *at a rate fixed by the Deputy Director of the Office of Nevada Boards, Commissions and Councils Standards of the Department of Business and Industry and approved by the Director of the Department* while engaged in the business of the ~~[Board.]~~ *Commission. The rate must not exceed the rate provided for state officers and employees generally.*

5. The Commission shall review programs of education which relate to building construction and distribute grants from the Construction Education Account created pursuant to NRS 624.580 for programs that the Commission determines qualify for such a grant.

6. The Board may adopt regulations which establish the rules of procedure for meetings of the Commission.

7. The Commission shall adopt regulations providing:

(a) Procedures for applying for a grant of money from the Construction Education Account;

(b) Procedures for reviewing an application for a grant from the Construction Education Account; and

(c) Qualifications for receiving a grant from the Construction Education Account.

Sec. 83. NRS 628.090 is hereby amended to read as follows:

628.090 1. Annually the Board shall elect a President and a Secretary-Treasurer from among its members.

2. The Board may employ such personnel, including ~~[attorneys,]~~ investigators and other professional consultants, and arrange for such assistance as the Board may require for the performance of its duties.

Sec. 84. NRS 628.130 is hereby amended to read as follows:

628.130 The Board shall:

1. Have a seal of which judicial notice must be taken.



2. Keep records of its proceedings. In any proceedings in court, civil or criminal, arising out of or founded upon any provision of this chapter, copies of those records certified as correct under the seal of the Board are admissible in evidence as tending to prove the contents of the records.

~~3. [Maintain a website on the Internet or its successor and post]~~
Post on ~~[its]~~ the Internet website ~~[:] maintained by the Office of Nevada Boards, Commissions and Councils Standards of the Department of Business and Industry pursuant to section 15 of this act:~~

(a) The names arranged alphabetically by classifications of all accountants and business entities holding certificates, registrations or permits under this chapter.

(b) The names of the members of the Board.

(c) Such other matter as may be deemed proper by the Board.

Sec. 85. NRS 629.031 is hereby amended to read as follows:
629.031 Except as otherwise provided by a specific statute:

1. “Provider of health care” means:

(a) A physician licensed pursuant to chapter 630 ~~[, 630A]~~ or 633 of NRS;

(b) A physician assistant;

(c) An anesthesiologist assistant;

(d) A dentist;

(e) A dental therapist;

(f) A dental hygienist;

(g) A licensed nurse;

(h) A person who holds a license as an attendant or who is certified as an emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic pursuant to chapter 450B of NRS or authorized to practice as an emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic in this State under the Recognition of Emergency Medical Services Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact ratified by NRS 450B.145;

(i) A dispensing optician;

(j) An optometrist;

(k) A speech-language pathologist;

(l) An audiologist;

(m) A practitioner of respiratory care;

(n) A licensed physical therapist;

(o) An occupational therapist;

(p) A podiatric physician;

(q) A licensed psychologist;

(r) A licensed marriage and family therapist;

(s) A licensed clinical professional counselor;

(t) ~~[A music therapist;~~



1 ~~—(u)~~ A chiropractic physician;
2 ~~{(v)}~~ (u) An athletic trainer;
3 ~~{(w)}~~ (v) A perfusionist;
4 ~~{(x)}~~ (w) A doctor of Oriental medicine in any form;
5 ~~{(y)}~~ (x) A medical laboratory director or technician;
6 ~~{(z)}~~ (y) A pharmacist;
7 ~~{(aa)}~~ (z) A licensed dietitian;
8 ~~{(bb)}~~ (aa) An associate in social work, a social worker, a
9 master social worker, an independent social worker or a clinical
10 social worker licensed pursuant to chapter 641B of NRS;
11 ~~{(cc)}~~ (bb) An alcohol and drug counselor or a problem
12 gambling counselor who is certified pursuant to chapter 641C of
13 NRS;
14 ~~{(dd)}~~ (cc) An alcohol and drug counselor or a clinical alcohol
15 and drug counselor who is licensed pursuant to chapter 641C of
16 NRS;
17 ~~{(ee)}~~ (dd) A behavior analyst, assistant behavior analyst or
18 registered behavior technician;
19 ~~{(ff)}~~ (ee) A naprapath; or
20 ~~{(gg)}~~ (ff) A medical facility as the employer of any person
21 specified in this subsection.

22 2. For the purposes of NRS 629.400 to 629.490, inclusive, the
23 term includes a person who holds a current license or certificate to
24 practice his or her respective discipline pursuant to the applicable
25 provisions of law of another state or territory of the United States.

26 **Sec. 86.** Chapter 630 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
27 thereto a new section to read as follows:

28 ***1. The Nevada Medical Board, consisting of 11 members***
29 ***appointed by the Governor, is hereby created.***

30 ***2. The Governor shall appoint:***

31 ***(a) Four members who are licensed as physicians pursuant to***
32 ***this chapter.***

33 ***(b) Four members who are licensed as osteopathic physicians***
34 ***pursuant to chapter 633 of NRS.***

35 ***(c) One member who is licensed as a physician assistant***
36 ***pursuant to this chapter or chapter 633 of NRS.***

37 ***(d) One member who is licensed as a practitioner of***
38 ***respiratory care pursuant to this chapter.***

39 ***(e) One member who represents the interests of the general***
40 ***public and who:***

41 ***(1) Does not hold a license issued by the Board;***

42 ***(2) Is not the spouse or the parent or child, by blood,***
43 ***marriage or adoption, of a person who holds a license issued by***
44 ***the Board; and***



(3) Does not have a pecuniary interest in any matter pertaining to the professions and occupations regulated by the Board, except as a patient or potential patient.

Sec. 87. Chapter 631 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

The Board may, by regulation, defer the expiration of a license issued pursuant this chapter of a person who is on active duty in any branch of the Armed Forces of the United States upon such terms and conditions as it may prescribe. The Board may similarly defer the expiration of a license of the spouse or dependent child of that person if the spouse or child is residing with the person.

Sec. 88. NRS 632.060 is hereby amended to read as follows:

632.060 1. Each year at a meeting of the Board, to be held in accordance with NRS 632.070, the Board shall elect from its members a President, a Vice President and a Secretary.

2. The ~~{Board}~~ *Director of the Department of Business and Industry* may appoint an Executive Director *of the Board* who need not be a member of the Board. ~~{The Executive Director appointed by the Board must be a professional nurse licensed to practice nursing in the State of Nevada.}~~ The Executive Director ~~{shall}~~ :

(a) Is in the unclassified service of the State and serves at the pleasure of the Director.

(b) Shall perform such duties as ~~{the Board may direct and}~~ are directed by the Deputy Director of the Office of Nevada Boards, Commissions and Councils Standards of the Department of Business and Industry, as advised by the Board.

3. *The Executive Director* is entitled to receive compensation as set by the ~~{Board}~~ *Deputy Director of the Office of Nevada Boards, Commissions and Councils Standards.* The Executive Director is entitled to receive a per diem allowance and travel expenses at a rate fixed by the ~~{Board,}~~ *Deputy Director* while engaged in the business of the Board. The rate must not exceed the rate provided for state officers and employees generally.

Sec. 89. Chapter 634 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. *The Nevada Board of Healing and Rehabilitative Practice, consisting of 13 members appointed by the Governor, is hereby created.*

2. *The Governor shall appoint to the Board:*

(a) One member who is licensed as an athletic trainer pursuant to chapter 640B of NRS and who has engaged in the practice of athletic training or taught or conducted research concerning the practice of athletic training for the 5 years immediately preceding his or her appointment.



(b) Three members who are licensed as physical therapists pursuant to chapter 640 of NRS.

(c) Three members who are licensed as massage therapists pursuant to chapter 640C of NRS, one of whom must be a resident of Clark County, one of whom must be a resident of Washoe County and one of whom must be a resident of a county other than Clark County or Washoe County.

(d) Two members who are licensed as occupational therapists pursuant to chapter 640A of NRS.

(e) Two members who are licensed as chiropractic physicians pursuant to this chapter.

(f) One member who is licensed pursuant to chapter 634A of NRS and engaged in the practice of Oriental medicine in this State.

(g) One member who represents the interests of the general public and who:

(1) Does not hold a license issued by the Board;

(2) Is not the spouse or the parent or child, by blood, marriage or adoption, of a person who holds a license issued by the Board; or

(3) Does not have a pecuniary interest in any matter pertaining to the professions and occupations regulated by the Board, except as a patient or potential patient.

Sec. 90. NRS 634B.100 is hereby amended to read as follows:

634B.100 1. The Naprapathic Practice Advisory ~~{Board}~~ Subcommittee of the Board is hereby created.

2. The ~~{Governor}~~ Board shall appoint to the Advisory ~~{Board}~~ Subcommittee:

(a) Three members who are licensed as naprapaths in this State or any other state; and

(b) Two members who are representatives of the public.

3. Each member of the Advisory ~~{Board}~~ Subcommittee:

(a) Must be a resident of this State; and

(b) May not serve more than two consecutive terms.

4. After the initial terms, the members of the Advisory ~~{Board}~~ Subcommittee must be appointed to terms of 4 years. A member:

(a) Serves until a replacement is appointed; and

(b) May not serve more than two full terms.

5. A vacancy on the Advisory ~~{Board}~~ Subcommittee must be filled in the same manner as the original appointment for the remainder of the unexpired term.

6. The ~~{Governor}~~ Board may remove a member of the Advisory ~~{Board}~~ Subcommittee for incompetence, neglect of duty, moral turpitude or malfeasance in office.



7. The members of the Advisory ~~Board~~ Subcommittee are not entitled to receive a salary. While engaged in the business of the Advisory ~~Board~~ Subcommittee, each member of the Advisory ~~Board~~ Subcommittee is entitled to receive a per diem allowance and travel expenses at a rate fixed by the ~~State~~ Board. ~~of Health.~~ The rate must not exceed the rate provided for officers and employees of this State generally.

Sec. 91. Chapter 635 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. The Nevada Board of Vision, Speech and Mobility Professions, consisting of 11 members appointed by the Governor, is hereby created.

2. The Governor shall appoint to the Board:

(a) Two members who are licensed as speech-language pathologists pursuant to chapter 637B of NRS;

(b) Two members who are licensed as podiatric physicians pursuant to this chapter.

(c) One member who is licensed as an audiologist pursuant to chapter 637B of NRS.

(d) Two members who are licensed to practice optometry pursuant to chapter 636 of NRS.

(e) Two members who are licensed as dispensing opticians pursuant to chapter 637 of NRS.

(f) One member who is licensed as a hearing aid specialist pursuant to chapter 637B of NRS.

(g) One member who represents the interests of the general public and who:

(1) Does not hold a license issued by the Board;

(2) Is not the spouse or the parent or child, by blood, marriage or adoption, a person who holds a license issued by the Board; and

(3) Does not have a pecuniary interest in any matter pertaining to the professions and occupations regulated by the Board, except as a patient or potential patient.

Sec. 92. NRS 639.050 is hereby amended to read as follows:

639.050 1. The Board shall hold a meeting at least once in every 6 months.

2. Four members of the Board constitute a quorum.

3. Meetings of the Board which are held to prepare, grade or administer examinations are closed to the public.

4. Each member of the Board is entitled to receive:

(a) A salary of not more than \$150 per day, as fixed by the ~~Board~~ Deputy Director of the Office of Nevada Boards, Commissions and Councils Standards of the Department of



Business and Industry and approved by the Director of the Department while engaged in the business of the Board; and

(b) A per diem allowance and travel expenses at a rate fixed by the ~~Board,~~ *Deputy Director of the Office of Nevada Boards, Commissions and Councils Standards of the Department of Business and Industry and approved by the Director of the Department* while engaged in the business of the Board. The rate must not exceed the rate provided for state officers and employees generally.

5. While engaged in the business of the Board, each employee of the Board is entitled to receive a per diem allowance and travel expenses at a rate fixed by the Board. The rate must not exceed the rate provided for state officers and employees generally.

Sec. 93. Chapter 641 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. The Nevada Behavioral Wellness Alliance Board, consisting of 13 members appointed by the Governor, is hereby created.

2. The Governor shall appoint to the Board:

(a) One member who is licensed as a behavioral analyst or assistant behavior analyst pursuant to chapter 641D of NRS.

(b) Two members who are licensed as marriage and family therapists pursuant to chapter 641A of NRS.

(c) One member who is licensed as a clinical professional counselor pursuant to chapter 641A of NRS.

(d) Two members who are licensed as social workers pursuant to chapter 641B of NRS.

(e) One member who is licensed as a psychologist pursuant to this chapter.

(f) One member who is licensed as a clinical alcohol and drug counselor or alcohol and drug counselor pursuant to chapter 641C of NRS.

(g) One member who is certified as a problem gambling counselor pursuant to chapter 641C of NRS.

(h) One member who holds any license or certificate issued by the Board.

(i) One member who represents an academic or training institution that provides training necessary for a person to become licensed by the Board.

(j) One member who represents persons who are indigent, uninsured or unable to afford health care.

(k) One member who represents the interests of the general public and who:

(1) Does not hold a license issued by the Board;



(2) *Is not the spouse or the parent or child, by blood, marriage or adoption, of a person who holds a license issued by the Board; and*

(3) *Does not have a pecuniary interest in any matter pertaining to the professions and occupations regulated by the Board, except as a patient of potential patient.*

Sec. 94. NRS 643.020 is hereby amended to read as follows:

643.020 1. The State Barbers' Health and Sanitation Board, consisting of four members, is hereby created.

2. The Board consists of the Chief Medical Officer, or a member of his or her staff designated by the Chief Medical Officer, and three members who are licensed barbers appointed by the Governor for terms of 4 years. Of the barbers, one barber must be from Clark County, one barber must be from Washoe County and one barber must be from any county in the State. Each of the barbers must have been a resident of this State and a practicing licensed barber for at least 5 years immediately before his or her appointment. An appointed member of the Board shall not serve more than ~~three~~ two terms.

3. The Governor may remove a member of the Board for cause.

Sec. 95. NRS 652.170 is hereby amended to read as follows:

652.170 1. The Board shall appoint the members of the Medical Laboratory Advisory ~~Committee~~ Subcommittee of the Board.

2. After the initial terms, members shall serve for 3-year terms.

3. A member may not serve for more than two consecutive terms. Service of 2 or more years in filling an unexpired term constitutes a term.

4. The ~~Advisory Committee~~ Subcommittee is composed of:

(a) Two pathologists, certified in clinical pathology by the American Board of Pathology.

(b) Two medical technologists.

(c) One bioanalyst who is a laboratory director.

(d) One qualified biochemist from the Nevada System of Higher Education.

(e) One licensed physician actively engaged in the practice of clinical medicine in this State.

5. No member of the ~~Advisory Committee~~ Subcommittee may have any financial or business arrangement with any other member which pertains to the business of laboratory analysis.

6. The Chief Medical Officer or a designated representative of the Chief Medical Officer is an ex officio member of the ~~Advisory Committee~~ Subcommittee.

7. If a vacancy occurs in the membership of the ~~Advisory Committee~~ Subcommittee, the ~~Advisory Committee~~



Subcommittee shall submit a letter to the Board with a recommendation to fill the existing vacancy. The ~~{Advisory Committee}~~ **Subcommittee** shall, at least once per year, determine whether any vacancy in the membership of the ~~{Advisory Committee}~~ **Subcommittee** exists.

8. The ~~{Advisory Committee}~~ **Subcommittee** shall meet at least once every year.

9. Each member of the ~~{Advisory Committee}~~ **Subcommittee** is entitled to receive:

(a) A salary of not more than \$60, as fixed by the Board, for each day's attendance at a meeting of the ~~{Committee;}~~ **Subcommittee;** and

(b) A per diem allowance and travel expenses at a rate fixed by the Board, while engaged in the business of the ~~{Committee.}~~ **Subcommittee.** The rate must not exceed the rate provided for state officers and employees generally.

10. While engaged in the business of the ~~{Committee,}~~ **Subcommittee,** each employee of the ~~{Committee}~~ **Subcommittee** is entitled to receive a per diem allowance and travel expenses at a rate fixed by the Board. The rate must not exceed the rate provided for state officers and employees generally.

Sec. 96. NRS 653.450 is hereby amended to read as follows:

653.450 1. The Radiation Therapy and Radiologic Imaging Advisory ~~{Committee}~~ **Subcommittee of the Board** is hereby created.

2. The ~~{Committee}~~ **Subcommittee** consists of seven members, all of whom are voting members, appointed by the ~~{Governor.}~~ **Board.** The ~~{Governor}~~ **Board** shall ensure that the members of the ~~{Committee}~~ **Subcommittee** represent the geographic diversity of this State. The ~~{Governor}~~ **Board** shall appoint to the ~~{Committee.}~~ **Subcommittee:**

(a) One member who holds a license and is certified by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists, or its successor organization, to practice in the area of radiography.

(b) One member who holds a license and is certified by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists, or its successor organization, to practice in the area of nuclear medicine technology.

(c) One member who holds a license and is certified by the American Registry of Radiologic Technologists, or its successor organization, to practice in the area of radiation therapy.

(d) One member who holds a limited license.

(e) One member who is a physician specializing in radiology.

(f) One member who is a physician specializing in an area other than radiology, or a dentist, chiropractic physician or podiatrist.



(g) One member who is certified to provide clinical professional services in a field of medical physics.

3. After the initial terms, the members of the ~~{Committee}~~ Subcommittee serve terms of 3 years. A vacancy on the ~~{Committee}~~ Subcommittee must be filled in the same manner as the initial appointment. No member may serve more than two consecutive terms.

4. Members of the ~~{Committee}~~ Subcommittee serve without compensation, except that each member of the ~~{Committee}~~ Subcommittee is entitled to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally.

5. The ~~{Committee}~~ Subcommittee shall annually select a Chair from among the members appointed pursuant to paragraphs (a) to (d), inclusive, of subsection 2, and a Vice Chair from among its members.

6. The ~~{Committee}~~ Subcommittee shall meet at least once each year and such other times as requested by the Administrator of the Division. The ~~{Committee}~~ Subcommittee may meet by telephone, videoconference or other electronic means in accordance with the provisions of chapter 241 of NRS. The Administrator shall prescribe the agenda for each meeting. The ~~{Committee}~~ Subcommittee may submit items to the Administrator to consider for inclusion on the agenda for a meeting.

7. The ~~{Committee}~~ Subcommittee shall:

(a) Recommend to the Board a national professional organization against which the scope of practice will be measured pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1 of NRS 653.460; and

(b) Make such other recommendations to the Board, the Division and the Legislature concerning radiation therapy and radiologic imaging as it deems proper.

Sec. 97. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2026.



7. Public Comment

8. Adjournment