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This issue of Legislative Report contains a summary of bills which directly or indirectly will have an impact on our members or be of interest to our members. It does not include industry specific bills.

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TAX AND FEE BILLS NOT PREVIOUSLY REPORTED

AB35 Insurance Regulation 2/3s vote required

Committee on Commerce and Labor and referred to same (on behalf of the Division of Insurance) (BDR 57-466)
Allows the Division of Insurance to assess fees to implement the provisions of the bill. Adopts examination provisions from the National Association of Insurance Commissioners' (NAIC) Corporate Governance Annual Disclosure Model Act. Adopts certain provisions of the NAIC Insurance Holding Company System Regulatory Act. Adds to and revises provisions relating to captive insurers to apply to state-chartered risk retention groups.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB35.pdf>

AB61 Foreign Trust Companies 2/3s vote required

Committee on Commerce and Labor and referred to same (BDR 55-162)
Assesses a \$1,000 non-refundable fee to foreign trust companies. Provides that certain foreign trust companies may be appointed as a fiduciary by a Nevada court without being licensed in Nevada provided the state in which the trust company is licensed offers reciprocity for Nevada trust companies. Allows a trust company to solicit business in Nevada upon approval by the Commissioner of Financial Institutions. Amends the qualifications for trustee of a spendthrift trust so that a foreign trust company may not serve as a trustee for a spendthrift trust.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB61.pdf>

AB50 Environmental Fees and Fines 2/3s vote required

Committee on Natural Resources, Agriculture and Mining and referred to same (on behalf of the Division of Environmental Protection Resources) (BDR 40-181)
Allows the State Environmental Commission to increase fees for public and community water systems. Increases the fines for violation of water standards.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB50.pdf>

AB83 Insurance Regulation 2/3s vote required

Committee on Commerce and Labor and referred to same (on behalf of the Dept. of Business and Industry) (BDR 57-159)
Omnibus insurance regulation bill from the department. The super majority vote is based on the criteria for placing an insurer under administrative supervision and the costs and fees associated with that supervision. Makes numerous changes throughout the insurance regulatory process.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB83.pdf>

AB120 School Construction

Assemblyman Daly and referred to Committee on Government Affairs (BDR 34-779)
Extends the authorization to every county to assess and collect up to a \$1,600 per unit of new construction for use as school impact fees.

NTA Position: AMEND. This bill should require that a county commission may take into account other impact fees which have already been imposed to avoid pricing the purchase of homes out of reach for most homebuyers.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB120.pdf>

AB179 Massage Therapy 2/3s vote required

Assemblywoman Carlton and referred to the Committee on Commerce and Labor (BDR 54-766)

Changes the name of the Board of Massage Therapists to the Board of Massage Therapy. Adds reflexology and structural integration. Increases the upper limit for licensure under the Board to \$350 (up from \$200).

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB179.pdf>

AB222 Payday Lending Rate Cap 2/3s vote required

Assemblywoman Swank and referred to the Committee on Commerce and Labor (BDR 52-574)

Limits the amount of annual interest for high interest lenders licensed under NRS604A and installment lenders licensed under NRS675 from charging no more than 36%. Requires that these lenders calculate the borrower's ability to repay the loans. Disallows roll over loans or loan extensions. Requires the development of a data base of borrowers and prohibits a licensee from lending to a person who already has a deferred deposit or installment loan from any other lender. Limits the geographic distance to 1,320 feet between lenders after January 1, 2018.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB222.pdf>

TAXES

SB181 Alcohol and Drug Abuse Programs 2/3s vote required

Senator Segerblom and referred to Committee on Judiciary (BDR 34-461)

APPROPRIATION NOT INCLUDED IN EXECUTIVE BUDGET

Increases liquor, cigarette taxes and the gaming license fee by ¼ percent to fund the newly created Account for Treatment of Substance Abusers administered by the Dept. of Corrections. Appropriates \$65 million in each year of the biennium for this program. Creates a pilot program for treatment of heroin abusers. Appropriates \$10 million for each year of the biennium.

NTA Comment: Pending

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/SB/SB181.pdf>

TAXES MISCELLANEOUS

SB176 Body Cameras

Senators Ford, Atkinson, Spearman, Cancela, Manendo, Parks, Ratti, Assemblymen Frierson, Neal, Thompson, Carrillo, Flores, Fumo, Jauregui, Joiner, McCurdy II, Miller, Monroe-Moreno, Ohrenschall, Spiegel, Yeager and referred to Committee on Government Affairs (BDR 23-666)

Requires all law enforcement personnel to be equipped with and wear body cameras. Requires that the data gathered by the cameras be stored for no less than 15 days. Funds this program through an increased assessment (tax) to the 911 surcharge which will total \$1.00 per line (up from \$.25).

NTA Position: AMEND. Because this is a county ordinance, it should explicitly require a Business Impact Statement for the increase. This puts the county's taxpayers on notice that the increase is being considered. Additionally, this bill expands the use of the tax beyond its original intent and sets a precedent that allows nexus to be ignored. It should be reviewed at ten years to ensure that technology and funding match.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/SB/SB176.pdf>

TAX ABATEMENTS

AB143 Tax Expenditures and Incentives for Economic Development

Assemblywoman Bustamante Adams and referred to the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR 17-807)

Creates a new legislative committee and prescribes its membership as well as its meetings and compensation for its members.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB143.pdf>

AB170 Economic Development Reporting

Assemblyman Hansen and referred to the Committee on Taxation (BDR 32-302)

Extends the reporting requirements from the Office of Economic Development to the Governor and Legislature to coincide with the expiration of the tax abatements and transferrable tax credits on June 30, 2032 and June 30, 2036, respectively.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB170.pdf>

AB172 Business License Fees and Taxation

Assemblyman Hansen and referred to the Committee on Government Affairs (BDR 7-9)

Reduces the state business license fee to \$200 (down from \$500 which was raised in 2015). Eliminates the filing requirement for Commerce Tax returns for businesses whose gross revenue is less than \$4 million annually. Authorizes the formation, using Wyoming law as its basis, of low profit limited-liability companies.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB172.pdf>

TAX ADMINISTRATION

AB8 Municipal Utility Charge Delinquencies

Government Affairs Committee and referred to same (on behalf of League of Cities & Municipalities) (BDR 21-323)

Allows local governments which provide municipal utilities to add delinquencies to their tax rolls and collect them through tax collections.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB8.pdf>

FEES

AB33 Mining Oversight Commission Abolishment

Committee on Natural Resources, Agriculture and Mining and referred to same (on behalf of the Governor's Office) (BDR 46-312)

Abolishes the Mining Oversight Committee and the Garlic & Onion Growers' Advisory Board, the State Dairy Commission, the Alfalfa Seed Advisory Board and the Advisory Council for Organic Agricultural Products. Transfers the duties of those bodies to the State Agriculture Dept. Provides authorization instead of requiring the Dept. of Agriculture to fix an annual assessment levied upon alfalfa seeds grown in the state.

NTA Position: SUPPORT. This bill helps to streamline government, particularly with the Mining Oversight Committee which duplicates the work of two agencies.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB33.pdf>

AB44 Veteran Business Fee Waivers

Committee on Judiciary (on behalf of the Secretary of State) and referred to the Taxation Committee (BDR 7-423)

Requires waiver of business license fees (for the first four years of a business' life) for veterans. Waiver is also required for articles of incorporation, initial and annual lists of officers, and certain veteran owned corporations. The business must be owned at least 51% by a veteran.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB44.pdf>

AB153 Impact Fees for Projects of Intercounty Significance

Assemblymen Daly, Sprinkle, Benitez-Thompson and Joiner and Senator Ratti (BDR 22-796)

Requires counties which approve projects with significant impacts on their adjoining counties to pay impact fees to those counties.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB153.pdf>

BUSINESS ISSUES

AB113 Accommodations for Nursing Mothers

Assemblywoman Spiegel and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services (BDR 40-7)
Requires public and private employers to provide a clean, private space for nursing mothers to express breast milk.
Exempts small businesses with fewer than 50 employees if this would present an undue hardship.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB113.pdf>

AB154 Prevailing Wages

Assemblymen Brooks, Spiegel, Sprinkle, Joiner, Daly, Elliot Anderson, Bilbray-Axelrod, Bustamante Adams, Cohen, Frierson, Fumo, Jauregui, Miller, Monroe-Moreno, Neal, Swank, Thompson and Senator Atkinson and referred to the Committee on Government Affairs (BDR 28-727)
Lowers the threshold for construction projects for which prevailing would be required to \$100,00 (down from \$250,000). Also removes the authorization for schools including NSHE to be allowed to pay 90% of the prevailing wage rate.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB154.pdf>

AB159 Bans Hydraulic Fracturing in Nevada

Assemblymen Watkins, Swank, Brooks and Senator Ratti and referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and Mining (BDR 46-593)
Would prohibit all hydraulic fracturing (fracking) for oil and gas extraction in this state.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB159.pdf>

AB175 Minimum Wage

Assemblymen McCurdy II, Flores, Carrillo, Brooks, Diaz, Joiner, Monroe-Moreno and referred to the Committee on Commerce and Labor (BDR 53-866)
Requires the minimum wage to be increased by \$1.25 per year until the minimum wage is \$15 or more per hour if the employer does not offer health insurance or \$14 or more per hour if health insurance is offered.

NTA Comment: See SB106, below

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB175.pdf>

AB211 Treble Damages in Unpaid Wage Cases

Assemblywoman Jauregui and referred to the Committee on Commerce and Labor (BDR 53-764)
Provides treble damages if an employee prevails in a wage payment action.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB211.pdf>

SB106 Minimum Wage

Committee on Commerce and Labor and referred to same (BDR 53-865)
Requires the minimum wage to be increased by \$.75 per year until the minimum wage is \$12 or more per hour if the employer does not offer health insurance or \$11 or more per hour if health insurance is offered.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/SB/SB106.pdf>

NTA Comment: See also AB175, above

EDUCATION

K-12**AB78 Charter Schools Contains an Unfunded Mandate to Local Government**

Committee on Education and referred to same (on behalf of Clark County School District) (BDR 34-343)
Requires the sponsor of a charter school to consult with the district in which the school is proposed to be located.

Considerations must include population growth, demographic changes and the academic needs of pupils in the geographic areas served by the sponsor. Requires the sponsor to determine if the application for a charter school meets

the identified academic needs of pupils as well as the needs resulting from population growth and demographic changes.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB78.pdf>

AB166 Education Changes

Assemblyman Edwards and referred to the Committee on Education (BDR 34-778)

Changes start times in schools placing elementary school start times earlier than junior or middle schools and those earlier than high schools. Requires schools which participate in the Breakfast After the Bell program to add 15 minutes of instructional time each day. Requires 30 minutes of recess daily for students in K-5.

NTA Comment: Also see AB225, below

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB166.pdf>

AB186 Pre-kindergarten and Kindergarten in every elementary school

Assemblywoman Diaz and referred to the Committee on Education (BDR 34-868)

Requires every school district to establish, equip and maintain a pre-kindergarten and a kindergarten in every school. Revises the age at which children are admitted to a pre-kindergarten program.

NTA Comment: Fiscal Note pending.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB186.pdf>

AB212 Student Achievement Data in Teacher Evaluations

Assemblymen Fumo, Brooks and Senators Woodhouse, Spearman and Manendo and referred to the Committee on Education (BDR 34-693)

Prohibits the use of student achievement data for teacher evaluations.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB212.pdf>

AB225 High School Start Time

Assemblyman Carrillo and referred to the Committee on Education (BDR 34-537)

Requires every district to set a schedule under which high schools start no earlier than 9am.

NTA Comment: See AB166, above

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB225.pdf>

SB178 Weighted School Funding Formula

Senators Denis and Woodhouse, Assemblymen Diaz and Thompson and referred to Committee on Education (BDR 34-792)

Provides the factors for weighted student funding by category including English language learners and special education students. Special Education students receive a weighted 2.0 of the per pupil allocation and ELL students receive an increasing allocation beginning at 1.05 for the 2017/2018 school year and raising to 1.50 in the 2020/2021 school year.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/SB/SB178.pdf>

HIGHER EDUCATION

AB188 Silver State Opportunity Grant

Assemblywoman Diaz and referred to the Committee on Education (BDR 34-869)

Reduces the number of credit hours from 15 to 9 hours per semester to qualify for the Silver State Opportunity Grant program.

NTA Comment: See AB202 on page 12 of this issue

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB188.pdf>

AB202 Silver State Opportunity Grant

Assemblywomen Joiner, Swank, Thompson and Senators Cancela and Ratti and referred to the Committee on Education (BDR 34-722)

Allows Silver State Opportunity Grants to be used at more than one institution within NSHE and provides that credit hours are aggregate for purposes of eligibility.

NTA Comment: See AB188 on page 11 of this issue

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB202.pdf>

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

AB5 Energy Local Improvement Districts

Assembly Government Affairs and referred to same (on behalf of the Governor's Office of Energy) (BDR 22-233)
Allows a municipality to create a local improvement district for renewable energy or energy efficiency. Defines the parameters of such a district including the opportunity for an owner within it to opt out.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB5.pdf>

AB36 City of Reno Ward Voting

Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections and referred to same (on behalf of the City of Reno) (BDR S-448)
Adds a sixth ward to the City of Reno and requires that only voters from each ward vote for their representatives.
Eliminates the At Large Commission position.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB36.pdf>

AB70 Redevelopment

Committee on Government Affairs and referred to same (on behalf of the City of Las Vegas) (BDR 22-413)
Allows funds from redevelopment districts to be used for educational purposes including early childhood education, literacy programs, summer learning programs or before and after school programs and wrap around services. Wrap around services are those that assist a child from early childhood education through his schooling and into the workforce.

NTA Position: See also AB80 below which extends redevelopment in the City of Reno to 60 years.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB70.pdf>

AB80 Redevelopment District Lifespans

Committee on Government Affairs and referred to same (on behalf of the City of Reno) (BDR 22-416)
Extends the life of a redevelopment district to 60 years in Reno/Washoe County.

NTA Position: OPPOSE 60 years is beyond the original intention of redevelopment which was blight mitigation to be done within 30 years. It is also longer than any bonding, by approximately 40 years for any bonding that is issued in the redevelopment area. See also AB70 above.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB80.pdf>

AB121 Local Government Collective Bargaining

Assemblyman Yeager and referred to Committee on Government Affairs (BDR 23-621)
Extends a collective bargaining agreement beyond its expiration date and under its existing terms including an previously agreed upon step or merit increases until such time as a successor agreement becomes effective or the employee organization ceases to be the recognized agent for the employees involved.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB121.pdf>

AB134 Special District Reporting

Assemblyman Hansen and referred to the Committee on Government Affairs (BDR 31-562)

Increases the threshold for reporting to \$265,000 annual revenue (up from \$200,000) for some special districts reporting requirements.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB134.pdf>

AB193 Fluoridation of Water

Assemblywoman Joiner and referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, Agriculture and Mining (BDR 40-716)
Expands fluoridation of water by public water systems to Washoe County.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB193.pdf>

STATE GOVERNMENT

AB51 Collection of State Debts

Committee on Government Affairs and referred to same (on behalf of the Governor's Office) (BDR 31-231)
Transfers state debt collection from the State Controller to the Director of the Office of Finance in the Governor's Office.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB51.pdf>

AB67 State Funded Emergency Loans for Teachers and Military Personnel

Committee on Government Affairs and referred to same (on behalf of the State Treasurer) (BDR 31-408)
Creates a Public Benefit Corporation, funded by \$10 million from the State Permanent School Fund.

AB81 Grant Approvals

Committee on Government Affairs and referred to same (on behalf of the Dept. of Administration) (BDR 31-244)
Provides an earlier, provisional review and approval of grants or gifts by the Interim Finance Committee before actual receipt of the gift or grant. If the gift or grant does not deviate by more than \$75,000 or 10%, whichever is greater, approval is deemed final.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB81.pdf>

AB111 Internet Access for Low Income Households

Assemblyman Thompson referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services (BDR 58-641)
Allows the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services to expand the use of the Universal Energy Charge to include providing internet services to low income households.

NTA Comment: This is an expansion of the original use of the Universal Energy Charge which is levied against electrical usage and natural gas usage.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB111.pdf>

AB126 Sunset Subcommittee's Recommendation

Committee on Health and Human Services (on behalf of the Sunset Subcommittee) (BDR 38-555)
Abolishes the Commission to Review the Compensation of Constitutional Officers, Legislature, Supreme Court Justices, Judges of the Court of Appeals, District Justices and Elected County Officers; and the Subcommittee on Personal Assistance for Persons with Severe Functional Disabilities of the Nevada Commission on Services for Persons with Disabilities.

NTA Comment: See also AB36 on page 12 of this issue.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB126.pdf>

AB201 Office of Inspector General

Assemblyman Edwards and referred to the Committee on Government Affairs (BDR 18-548)
Creates the Office of Inspector General within the Governor's Office. And sets the powers and duties of the office.
Transfers the Division of Internal Audit to the new office. Transfers certain investigators and inspectors of the Taxicab Authority and the Nevada Transportation Authority to the office and requires those agencies to transfer monies to pay these positions.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB201.pdf>

STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT**AB42 Public Records**

Committee on Government Affairs and referred to same (on behalf of the Attorney General) (BDR 31-244)
Arranges state agency and boards and commission records subject to public records access into categories. References the categories within Freedom of Information Act at the federal level.

NTA Comment: See SB170, below

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB42.pdf>

AB71 Hybrid Retirement Accounts for Public Employees

Committee on Government Affairs and referred to same (on behalf of the State Controller) (BDR 23-429)
Requires a hybrid retirement plan for new employees after July 1, 2018 and allows existing employees to transfer into the program voluntarily. The program will include both a defined benefit plan and a defined contribution plan.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB71.pdf>

AB152 Public Fund Investments

Assemblyman Kramer (by request) and referred to the Committee on Government Affairs (BDR 31-782)
Authorizes use of reverse repurchase agreements for investment of public funds. In a reverse repurchase agreement, the investor obtains the ownership of an asset with the understanding that the borrower will purchase the same asset back at a fixed date and at a fixed price, generally higher. That difference constitutes the earnings of the investment.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB152.pdf>

SB170 Public Records

Senator Segerblom and referred to Committee on Government Affairs (BDR 19-560)
Provides additional access to public records by electronic means and changes the time periods for providing records.

NTA Comment: See AB42, above

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/SB/SB170.pdf>

ELECTIONS

AB21 Residency Requirements

Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections and referred to same (on behalf of the Secretary of State) (BDR 24-2)
Adds penalties for falsifying residency, after adjudication, including the requirement to return all campaign contributions.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB21.pdf>

AB36 Ward Voting

NTA Comment: See this bill summary under Local Government, this issue at Page 12.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB36.pdf>

AB104 Elections

Assemblywoman Spiegel and referred to the Committee on Legislative Operation and Elections (BDR 24-184)
Pre-registration for 16 year olds. Automatic voter registration at the DMV with voter opt out option. Expanded voter access via computer for voter registration processes as well as in languages other than English. Same day voter registration. Expanded provisional ballots.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB104.pdf>

AB164 Voter ID

Assemblywoman Krasner and referred to the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections (BDR 24-587)
Requires proof of identity for in person voting. Requires the DMV to provide an identification card, at no charge, for those persons who don't possess another form of photo ID.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB164.pdf>

AB226 Elections Filing Deadlines

Assemblyman Hansen and referred to the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections (BDR 24-88)
Changes deadline for minor political parties to file ballot access petitions.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB226.pdf>

STATE APPROPRIATIONS

AB40 White Pine County Courthouse

Committee on Ways and Means and referred to same (on behalf of the Nevada Supreme Court) (BDR S-402)
APPROPRIATION NOT INCLUDED IN EXECUTIVE BUDGET
Appropriates \$10 million to construct a new courthouse in White Pine County.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB40.pdf>

SB167 School Gardens

Senator Farley and referred to Committee on Finance and Re-referred to Education Committee (BDR S-834)
APPROPRIATION NOT IN THE EXECUTIVE BUDGET
Appropriates \$815,000 over the biennium to certain Title I schools to create and maintain school gardens.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/SB/SB167.pdf>

SB181 Alcohol and Drug Abuse Programs APPROPRIATION NOT INCLUDED IN THE EXECUTIVE BUDGET
NTA Comment: See SB181 in this Issue at Page 8.

BALLOT QUESTIONS

AJR5 Removes Board of Regents from the Constitution

Assemblyman Elliot Anderson and Senator Woodhouse and referred to the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections (BDR C-60)
Proposes to remove the elected Board of Regents from the Nevada Constitution

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AJR/AJR5.pdf>

AJR6 State Treasurer and State Controller

Assemblyman Elliot Anderson and referred to the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections (BDR C-67)
Abolishes the offices of State Treasurer and State Controller and places those duties within the Executive Branch.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AJR/AJR6.pdf>

SB187 Ballot question on preservation and promotion of the arts and museums in this state.

Senator Segerblom and referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, Agriculture and Mining (BDR 33-267)
Asks the voters to approve a program of spending to promote and preserve the arts and museums in this state using \$10 million annually, not to exceed \$100,000 million in ten years. The money would be raised using general obligation bonds.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/SB/SB187.pdf>

GENERAL INTEREST

SB174 McCarran Airport to Harry Reid Airport

Senators Segerblom, Cancela, Manendo, Atkinson, Cannizzaro and Assemblymen Brooks, Frierson, Yeager, Jauregui, Thompson and referred to Committee on Government Affairs (BDR S-34)

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/SB/SB174.pdf>

STUDIES

AB30 Effective Tax Structure

Committee on Taxation (on behalf of State Treasurer) and referred to the Committee on Government Affairs (BDR S-432) Creates the Tax Advisory Committee to develop a plan to implement the most effective tax structure for this state. The committee is required to issue a report to the Legislative Counsel Bureau for the Senate Majority Leader and Assembly Speaker. The provisions of the bill expire on September 1, 2018.

NTA Comment: The “most effective tax structure” will be in the eye of the beholder.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/AB/AB30.pdf>

SCR1 Study of Affordable Housing

Senator Ratti and referred to the Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections (BDR R-835) Creates an interim study of affordable housing in Nevada.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/79th2017/Bills/SCR/SCR1.pdf>