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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.

Notes:

- ♦ Page numbers continue in sequence from the last issue.
- ♦ To access the full text of the bills reported in this issue, use the link which appears at the end of the bill summary.
- ♦ Unless otherwise shown, the effective date of bills reported is July 1, 2021. (The Legislative default date is October 1).
- ♦ Some bills have a fiscal note, which is not indicated in the summary, as specific fiscal information is not currently provided.
- ♦ To review all bills introduced to date or the BDR list, click [here](#) or go to www.leg.state.nv.us and click on "Session Information – 81st (2021) Session.
- ♦ The 2021 Legislative Session 120 Day Calendar includes important bill introduction and budget related deadlines. The calendar may be viewed [here](#). **Legislators' Bill Introductions Deadline Extended.**

TAXES

(See Issue 21-1, Page 1, NTA's Policy for Evaluating Taxes.)

TAXES: Business

AB 272 – Payroll Tax: General Business Credit

Introduced by Assemblymen Wheeler, Ellison, et al (11). Joint Sponsor Senator Pickard. Referred to Committee on Revenue. (BDR 32-650)

Exempts the wages paid by an employer to an employee who is less than 21 years of age, employed in an entry-level position and paid at least \$1.00 per hour more than the employer would ordinarily pay for that position.

Fiscal Impact: The Department of Taxation has determined the fiscal impact of the exemption on Modified Business Tax to the Department and the General Fund to be \$52,206 in FY 2021-22, \$195,759 in FY 2022-23, with an effect on future biennia of \$538,390. Programming changes necessary to implement the bill make the effective date problematic.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7739/Overview>

AB 300 – Payroll Tax Credit: Youth and Adolescent Enrichment Program

Introduced by Assemblyman Leavitt. Joint Sponsor Senator Hardy. Referred to Committee on Revenue. (BDR 32-197)

Establishes a credit against the Modified Business Tax the Department of Taxation is authorized to approve for taxpayers who donate money to a youth and adolescent enrichment program.

NTA Comment: See also SB 175, Issue 7, page 33 and AB 242, Issue 8, page 37.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7803/Overview>

SB 265 – Payroll Tax Credit: Work Based Program

Introduced by Senators Buck, Hammond, et al (4). Joint Sponsors Assemblymen O'Neill, Kasama, et al (1). Referred to Committee on Education. (BDR 34-624)

Requires the board of trustees of school districts and the governing body of charter schools to encourage the development of work-based learning programs in certain industries for underserved populations.

Effective: Upon passage and approval for regulations and administrative tasks and July 1, 2022 for all other purposes.

NTA Comment: This bill contains an unfunded mandate not requested by the affected local government. It provides the statutory provision (NRS 354.599) that prohibits unfunded mandates to local government does not apply to this bill.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7843/Overview>

TAXES: Marijuana

AB 322 – Events and Portable Sellers – Requires 2/3s Majority

Introduced by Assemblymen C.H. Miller, Gonzalez, et al (5). Joint Sponsor Senator D. Harris. Referred to Committee on Revenue. (BDR 56-789)

Institutes excise tax to retail sales of cannabis or cannabis products by a portable or temporary cannabis vendor at events where cannabis is permitted. This is an extensive bill that includes, but is not limited to conditions, adoption of regulations and allowing local governments to set a fee.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7844/Overview>

AB 341 – Consumption Lounges – Requires 2/3s Majority

Introduced by Assemblyman Yeager and referred to Committee on Judiciary. (BDR 56-583)

This is an extensive bill that extends the 10 percent excise tax to cannabis consumption lounges and provides for the licensure and regulation of cannabis consumption lounges.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7877/Overview>

SB 235 – Dual Use License – Requires 2/3s Majority

Introduced by Senator D. Harris and referred to Committee on Revenue and Economic Development. (BDR 56-136)

Authorizes a fee to set by regulation to convert a license from medical dispensary to adult retail and revises provisions relating to limits on the number of adult-use cannabis establishment licenses and medical cannabis establishment licenses that are authorized to be issued by the Cannabis Compliance Board within a county.

Effective: Upon passage and approval for regulations and administrative tasks and January 1, 2022 for all other purposes.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7751/Overview>

SB 278 – Cannabis Tax Exemption

Introduced by Senator Settlemeyer and referred to Committee on Revenue and Economic Development. (BDR 32-660)

Exempts certain transfers of cannabis between affiliated cannabis cultivation facilities from the imposition of a tax on wholesale sales.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7869/Overview>

TAXES: Property**SJR 8 – Constitutional Amendment: Valuation of Property**

Introduced by Senator Ratti and referred to Committee on Revenue and Economic Development. (BDR C-957)

Amends the Nevada Constitution to revise provisions relating to the assessment and taxation of property which is sold or transferred.

Effective: Upon passage.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7821/Overview>

TAXES: Transactions**AB 279 – Heavy Equipment: Rental Tax – Requires 2/3s Majority**

Introduced by Assemblyman Leavitt and referred to Committee on Revenue. (BDR 32-26)

Creates a new chapter in Title 32 of NRS and imposes an excise tax of 1.25 percent on the rental of heavy equipment, additional tax may also apply. Equipment owned by a company is exempt from the tax.

Effective: Upon passage and approval for regulations and administrative tasks and July 1, 2022 for all other purposes.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7748/Overview>

SB 281 – Consumable Hemp Retailer – Requires 2/3s Majority

Introduced by Senator Neal and referred to Committee on Revenue and Economic Development. (BDR 32-974)

Creates a new Title in Chapter 32 and imposes an excise tax of 1 percent on retail sales of consumable hemp products. Makes other changes including requiring sales and use tax to be included on consumable hemp products and puts consumable hemp under the purview of the Department of Agriculture.

Effective: January 1, 2022

Fiscal Impact: Increases or Newly Provides for Term of Imprisonment in County or City Jail or Detention Facility.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7872/Overview>

FEES, FINES & PENALTIES*(See Issue 21-1, Page 4, NTA's Policy for Evaluating Fees.)***AB 275 – Neonicotinoid Pesticides – Requires 2/3s Majority**

Introduced by Assemblymen Gorelow, Watts, et al (2) and referred to Committee on Natural Resources. (BDR 51-131)

Requires an application fee for use of neonicotinoid pesticides.

Effective: January 1, 2022

Fiscal Impact: Increases or Newly Provides for Term of Imprisonment in County or City Jail or Detention Facility.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7743/Overview>

AB 312 – Independent Contractor Benefits Program: Contributions – Requires 2/3s Majority

Introduced by Assemblyman Wheeler and referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor. (BDR 53-886)

A new chapter is created in Title 53 and creates the Independent Contractor Benefits Program and requires the Administrator of the Employment Security Division of the Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation to administer the Program and establishes the contribution a participant must pay when filling out the application.

Effective: January 1, 2022

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7825/Overview>

AB 331 – Linkage Fees: Affordable Housing

Introduced by Assemblymen Marzola, Flores, et al (14). Joint Sponsors Senators Donate and Denis. Referred to Committee on Government Affairs. (BDR 22-807)

Authorizes the governing body of a city or county to accept a payment in lieu of the performance of certain obligations or impose a linkage fee on certain developers to pay for the development of affordable housing.

NTA Comment: See also AB 334 below.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7855/Overview>

AB 334 – Linkage Fees: Affordable Housing

Introduced by Assemblywomen Summers-Armstrong and Marzola. Referred to Committee on Government Affairs. (BDR 22-850)

Authorizes the governing body of a city or county to accept a payment in lieu of the performance of certain obligations or impose a linkage fee on certain developers to pay for the development of affordable housing.

NTA Comment: See also AB 331 above.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7861/Overview>

SB 271 – Licensing: Midwives – Requires 2/3s Majority

Introduced by Senator Hammond and referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor. (BDR 54-114)

Creates a new chapter in Title 54 creating the Board of Certified Professional Midwives. This is an extensive bill that provides for the licensure and regulation of midwives and establishes fees and prescribes additional requirements for investigating complaints and imposition of disciplinary action.

Effective: Upon passage and approval for appointing members of the Board of Certified Professional Midwives, for regulations and administrative tasks and January 1, 2022 for all other purposes.

Fiscal Impact: Increases or Newly Provides for Term of Imprisonment in County or City Jail or Detention Facility.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7849/Overview>

SB 274 – Receiving Center: Exploited Children – Requires 2/3s Majority

Introduced by Senators Ratti and Cannizzaro and referred to Committee on Health and Human Services. (BDR 38-705)

This is an extensive bill that includes “receiving center” in the definition of group homes, provides for licensing requirements to operate a receiving center and establishes by regulation fees to apply for a license in addition to other provisions.

Effective: Vary from upon passage and approval to July 1, 2023.

NTA Comment: This bill contains an unfunded mandate not requested by the affected local government. It provides the statutory provision (NRS 354.599) that prohibits unfunded mandates to local government does not apply to this bill.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7860/Overview>

SB 276- Technology Fee: Real Estate Division – Requires 2/3s Majority

Introduced by Senator Denis and referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor. (BDR 54-840)

Imposes a \$15 technology fee for the issuance or renewal of certain licenses, certificates, permits and registrations issued by the Real Estate Division of the Department of Business and Industry.

Effective: Upon passage and approval for regulations and administrative tasks and July 1, 2021 for all other purposes.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7867/Overview>

BUSINESS ISSUES

AB 272 – Payroll Tax: General Business Credit

Introduced by Assemblymen Wheeler, Ellison, et al (11). Joint Sponsor Senator Pickard. Referred to Committee on Revenue. (BDR 32-650)

Refer to TAXES: Business this issue for summary.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7739/Overview>

AB 280 – Public Access Restrooms

Introduced by Assemblywomen Peters and Torres and referred to Committee on Government Affairs. (BDR 54-132)

Requires places of public accommodation, including business, public buildings and facilities owned by a public body that provide a single-stall restroom to the public to make the single-stall restroom as inclusive and accessible as possible.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7756/Overview>

AB 291 – Non-Compete Covenants

Introduced by Assemblywoman Peters and referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor. (BDR 53-695)

Provides that a noncompetition covenant is void and unenforceable against independent contractors in certain circumstances.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7790/Overview>

AB 292 – Unemployment Insurance

Introduced by Assemblywoman Carlton and referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor. (BDR 53-210)

Eliminates provisions that make a person ineligible for unemployment benefits related to the person's separation from his or her next to last employer.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7791/Overview>

AB 300 – Payroll Tax Credit: Youth and Adolescent Enrichment Program

Introduced by Assemblyman Leavitt. Joint Sponsor Senator Hardy. Referred to Committee on Revenue. (BDR 32-197)

Refer to TAXES: Business this issue for summary.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7803/Overview>

AB 303 – Paid Leave Restriction

Introduced by Assemblymen Summers-Armstrong, Gonzalez, et al (7) and referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor. (BDR 53-851)

Removes certain exceptions relating to the requirements for an employer in private employment to provide paid leave to each employee and requires the posting of a notice.

Effective: Upon passage and approval.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7807/Overview>

AB 307 – Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation: Notice Posting

Introduced by Assemblywoman Martinez and referred to Committee on Government Affairs. (BDR 18-764)

Requires the preparation of informative notices by divisions or other units with DETR and requires employers to post the notices.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7811/Overview>

AB 314 – COVID: Liability Expanded

Introduced by Assemblymen Titus, Leavitt, et al (13). Joint Sponsors Senators Settlemeyer, Hansen, et al (7). Referred to Committee on Judiciary. (BDR 3-448)

Expands provisions limiting civil liability for personal injury or death resulting from exposure to COVID-19.

Effective: Upon passage and approval.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7828/Overview>

AB 324 – Uniform Commercial Code: Digital Assets

Introduced by Assemblywoman Dickman and referred to Committee on Judiciary. (BDR 10-981)

Defines virtual currency as a digital asset and authorizes a bank to provide custodial services for digital assets.

Effective: January 1, 2022

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7846/Overview>

AB 340 – Regulations: Economic Impact

Introduced by Assemblyman Matthews and referred to Committee on Government Affairs. (BDR 18-929)

Amends the Administrative Procedure Act to require agencies to determine the economic impact of proposed regulations and prohibits agencies from adopting regulations that will have an economic impact without legislative and executive approval.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7875/Overview>

SB 237 – Certified Small Business List Expanded

Introduced by Senators D. Harris and Scheible and referred to Committee on Judiciary. (BDR 7-548)

Revises provisions relating to policies, program, and procedures intended to encourage and promote certain business enterprises to require such programs to include LGBTQ-owned businesses.

Effective: Vary from upon passage and approval to September 30, 2023.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7753/Overview>

SB 239 – Trade Practice: Cyber Security

Introduced by Senator Seevers Gansert and referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor. (BDR 52-63)

Provides immunity from liability from damages arising from the commission of certain unfair trade practices under certain circumstances to certain owners of the rights to a proprietary program or the data stored in a computer who have adopted certain security controls or standards.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7757/Overview>

SB 245 – Wages Due Claim

Introduced by Senator Lange and referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor. (BDR 53-829)

Revises the definition of “wages” to include amounts due to certain former employees by employers who fail to pay certain wages within the periods required by law.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7766/Overview>

SB 265 – Payroll Tax Credit: Work Based Program

Introduced by Senators Buck, Hammond, et al (4). Joint Sponsors Assemblymen O’Neill, Kasama, et al (1). Referred to Committee on Education. (BDR 34-624)

Refer to TAXES: Business this issue for summary.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7843/Overview>

SB 266 – Worker’s Comp Claims

Introduced by Senator Goicoechea and referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor. (BDR 53-706)

Revises provisions governing an employer’s duty to file a report of industrial injury or occupational disease.

Effective: Upon passage and approval.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7823/Overview>

SB 267 – Workplace Reporting: Diversity

Introduced by Senator Spearman and referred to Committee on Judiciary. (BDR 7-461)

Requires the Department of Taxation to develop a survey to collect data and information concerning diversity and equality in the workplace.

Effective: Upon passage and approval for regulations, developing the survey, and administrative tasks and July 1, 2021 for all other purposes.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7829/Overview>

GOVERNMENT: State and Local**AB 263 – Signature Verification**

Introduced by Assemblymen Hansen, Wheeler, et al (6). Joint Sponsor Senator Hansen. Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR 24-537)

Requires county and city clerks to audit the performance of persons who check voter signatures on absentee and mail ballots.

Effective: Upon passage and approval for regulations and administrative tasks and January 1, 2022 for all other purposes.

NTA Comment: This bill contains an unfunded mandate not requested by the affected local government. It provides the statutory provision (NRS 354.599) that prohibits unfunded mandates to local government does not apply to this bill.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7729/Overview>

AB 264 – Voter Registration Lists

Introduced by Assemblymen Kasama, Hardy, et al (10) and referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR 24-637)

Establishes requirements for a program to remove the names of persons who are ineligible to vote.

Effective: Upon passage and approval for regulations and administrative tasks and January 1, 2022 for all other purposes.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7730/Overview>

AB 276 – Public Records

Introduced by Assemblymen Matthews, Wheeler, et al (6) and referred to Committee on Government Affairs. (BDR 19-884)

Provides relief for a requester who prevails in a legal action pertaining to a public records request.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7744/Overview>

AB 280 – Public Access Restrooms

Introduced by Assemblywomen Peters and Torres and referred to Committee on Government Affairs. (BDR 54-132)

Refer to BUSINESS ISSUES this issue for summary.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7756/Overview>

AB 321 – Mail Ballots and Signatures

Introduced by Assemblymen Frierson and Benitez-Thompson and referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR 24-927)

Establishes procedures for the use of mail ballots in all elections.

Effective: Upon passage and approval for regulations and administrative tasks and January 1, 2022 for all other purposes.

NTA Comment: This bill contains an unfunded mandate not requested by the affected local government. It provides the statutory provision (NRS 354.599) that prohibits unfunded mandates to local government does not apply to this bill.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7842/Overview>

AB 328 – Voter Registration

Introduced by Assemblymen Hardy, Titus, et al (11). Joint Sponsors Senators Hansen, Pickard, et al (3). Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR 24-609)

Requires a county clerk to cancel the preregistration or registration to vote of a person when notified by a funeral director that the person has died.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7851/Overview>

AB 337 – Public Employee Benefit Program: Pilot Program

Introduced by Assemblywoman Gorelow and referred to Committee on Government Affairs. (BDR 23-710)

Allows PEB Program to create a pilot program for establishment of one or more clinics to provide primary care services to persons who participate in the Program.

Effective: Upon passage and approval.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7865/Overview>

SB 256 – Petitions: Electronic Circulation

Introduced by Senator Kieckhefer and referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR 24-126)

Requires the Secretary of State to establish a system for electronically circulating and signing a petition for initiative or referendum.

Effective: Upon passage and approval for regulations and administrative tasks and January 1, 2022 for all other purposes.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7788/Overview>

SB 263 – Voter Registration

Introduced by Senator Settelmeyer and referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR 24-896)

Eliminates the requirement to cancel a person's voter registration if a person changes his or her party affiliation.

Effective: Upon passage and approval for regulations and administrative tasks and January 1, 2022 for all other purposes.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7819/Overview>

GOVERNMENT: State**AB 312 – Independent Contractor Benefits Program: Contributions – Requires 2/3s Majority**

Introduced by Assemblyman Wheeler and referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor. (BDR 53-886)

Refer to FEES, FINES & PENALTIES this issue for summary.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7825/Overview>

AB 340 – Regulations: Economic Impact

Introduced by Assemblyman Matthews and referred to Committee on Government Affairs. (BDR 18-929)

Refer to BUSINESS ISSUES this issue for summary.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7875/Overview>

AJR 9 – Constitutional Amendment: Changes to Appropriations

Introduced by Assemblymen Black, Wheeler, et al (5) and referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR C-592)

Proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution relating to appropriations for the operation of the Executive Department of State Government.

Effective: Upon passage.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7749/Overview>

SB 270 – Political Contributions

Introduced by Senators Seevers Gansert, Hardy, et al (3) and referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR 24-602)

Prohibits certain constitutional officers from soliciting or accepting political contributions during certain periods.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7836/Overview>

GOVERNMENT: Local**AB 297 – Registrar of Voters: Clark and Washoe Counties**

Introduced by Assemblymen Titus, Leavitt, et al (2). Joint Sponsors Senators Settlemeyer, Hardy, et al (1). Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR 24-908)

Requires election for registrar of voters.

Effective: Upon passage and approval for regulations and administrative tasks and January 1, 2022 for all other purposes.

NTA Comment: Appointed Registrar of Voters continue in office until successor is elected at the November 2022 general election.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7799/Overview>

AB 311 – City of Elko: Charter Revision

Introduced by Assemblyman Ellison. Joint Sponsor Senator Goicoechea. Referred to Committee on Government Affairs. (BDR S-928)

Requires the City Council to determine whether the Municipal Court is presided over by an ex-officio or appointed Municipal Judge.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7824/Overview>

AB 325 – County Recorders: Electronic Documents

Introduced by Assemblymen Kasama, Titus, et al (12). Joint Sponsors Senators Buck and Seevers Gansert. Referred to Committee on Government Affairs. (BDR 20-642)

Authorizes the submission of a certified paper copy as an electronic document to county recorders if the recorder has agreed to accept them.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7847/Overview>

AB 335 – Redevelopment: Employment Plan

Introduced by Assemblywoman Summers-Armstrong and referred to Committee on Government Affairs. (BDR 22-852)

Revises the requirements for the submission of an employment plan for a redevelopment project located in the City of Las Vegas.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7862/Overview>

STATE BUDGET: Appropriations NOT in Executive Budget**AB 309 – Unemployment Insurance**

Introduced by Assemblywoman Dickman and referred to Committee on Ways and Means. (BDR S-691)

Appropriates \$48,500,000 from the General Fund to the Interim Finance Committee for allocation to the Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation to modernize the current unemployment insurance information system to a cloud-based system. Any remaining balance on September 15, 2023 reverts to the General Fund. Requires the Legislative Auditor to conduct an audit during the 2021-22 interim of the Employment Security Division of the Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation relating to its controls and processes.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7814/Overview>

SB 233 – NV Health Services Corps: Federal Match

Declared Exempt. Introduced by Senator Hardy. Joint Sponsor Assemblywoman Titus. Referred to Committee on Finance. (BDR S-931)

Appropriates \$250,000 in FY 2021-22 and \$250,000 in FY 2022-23 from the General Fund to the Governor's Office of Finance for allocation to the Nevada Health Services Corps for the purpose of obtaining matching federal money for the program. Any remaining balance on September 16, 2022 and September 15, 2023, respectively, reverts to the General Fund.

Effective: Upon passage and approval.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7741/Overview>

SB 234 – Collaboration Center Foundation: Matching Funds

Declared Exempt. Introduced by Senators Settlemeyer, Hammond, et al (2). Joint Sponsors Assemblymen Roberts and Leavitt. Referred to Committee on Finance. (BDR S-906)

Appropriates \$6,000,000 from the General Fund to the Interim Finance Committee for expansion and improvement of the Collaboration Center Foundation's Las Vegas Ranch campus. Allocation of the money appropriated is contingent upon matching money obtained by the Collaboration Center Foundation. Any remaining balance on September 15, 2023 reverts to the General Fund.

Effective: Upon passage and approval.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7745/Overview>

SB 272 – Nevada Educator Corps: Administration

Introduced by Senators SeEVERS Gansert and Kieckhefer and referred to Committee on Education. (BDR 34-940)

Appropriates \$5,000,000 from the General Fund to the Department of Education for the administration of the Nevada Educator Corps. Any remaining balance on September 15, 2023 reverts to the General Fund.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7857/Overview>

EDUCATION: K-12**AB 266 – Use of Class-Size Counts**

Introduced by Assemblywomen Brittney Miller and Anderson and referred to Committee on Education. (BDR 34-704)

Requires that only certain personnel be counted in determining the ratio of pupils per licensed teacher.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7733/Overview>

AB 305 – School District – Ending Fund Balance

Introduced by Assemblywoman Titus and referred to Committee on Government Affairs. (BDR 31-912)

Increases the budgeted ending fund balance for a county school district fund that is not subject to negotiation in collective bargaining with an employee organization.

Effective: Upon passage and approval.

NTA Comment: See also SB 142, Issue 6, page 29.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7809/Overview>

AB 319 – Dual Credit Courses: Pilot Program

Introduced by Assemblyman Roberts and referred to Committee on Education. (BDR S-925)

Requires the College of Southern Nevada to develop, create and administer a pilot program for dual courses by the College of Southern Nevada and school boards in Clark County.

Effective: Upon passage and approval for regulations and administrative tasks and July 1, 2021 for all other purposes. Expires by limitation on June 30, 2023.

NTA Comment: See also SB 172, Issue 7, page 34.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7840/Overview>

AB 330 – Education Certificate for Occupational Education

Introduced by Assemblyman Ellison and referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor. (BDR 54-759)

Provides that students who complete certain training programs for occupational, vocational, career, trade or technical education and receive certificates for the completion of such programs shall be eligible to receive equivalent credit towards related professional and occupational licenses and certifications.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7854/Overview>

SB 250 – Changing Count of Pupils

Introduced by Senator Dondero Loop and referred to Committee on Education. (BDR 34-1002)

Requires that pupils enrolled in certain courses for an adult to receive a high school diploma be included in the count of pupils for apportionment of educational funding.

NTA Comment: This bill contains an unfunded mandate not requested by the affected local government. It provides the statutory provision (NRS 354.599) that prohibits unfunded mandates to local government does not apply to this bill.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7772/Overview>

SB 265 – Payroll Tax Credit: Work Based Programs

Introduced by Senators Buck, Hammond, et al (4). Joint Sponsors Assemblymen O’Neill, Kasama, et al (1). Referred to Committee on Education. (BDR 34-624)

Refer to BUSINESS ISSUES this issue for summary.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7843/Overview>

EDUCATION: NSHE**AB 262 – Tuition Charges: Exemption**

Introduced by Assemblymen Anderson, Duran, et al (3) and referred to Committee on Education. (BDR 34-946)

Prohibits the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada from assessing tuition charges against a graduate who is at least one-quarter from a federally recognized Indian Tribe or nation located in Nevada.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7728/Overview>

AB 338 – College Savings Plans: Financing

Introduced by Assemblyman Orentlicher and referred to Committee on Government Affairs. (BDR 31-787)

Revises the conditions under which certain public money may be invested in certain foreign bonds, notes or other obligations.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7866/Overview>

SJR 7 – Constitutional Amendment: Change Election of Regents

Introduced by Senator Dondero Loop. Joint Sponsor Assemblyman Roberts. Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR C-944)

Amends the Nevada Constitution to remove the constitutional provisions governing the election and duties of the Board of Regents of the State University.

Effective: Upon passage.

NTA Comment: See Tax Topics September and December 2020 Issues.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7818/Overview>

LEGISLATURE**AB 340 – Regulations: Economic Impact**

Introduced by Assemblyman Matthews and referred to Committee on Government Affairs. (BDR 18-929)

Refer to GOVERNMENT: State this issue for summary.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7875/Overview>

AJR 10 – Constitutional Amendment: Removal of Language

Introduced by Assemblymen Watts, C.H. Miller, et al (5). Joint Sponsors Senators D. Harris and Neal. Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR C-496)

Proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution to remove language authorizing the use of slavery and involuntary servitude as a criminal punishment.

Effective: Upon passage.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7795/Overview>

AJR 12 – Constitutional Amendment: Expands Time for Reading of Legislation

Introduced by Assemblymen Black, Wheeler, et al (4) and referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR C-595)

Proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution to prohibit a vote on a bill or joint resolution until it has been made available to the public for at least 48 hours.

Effective: Upon passage.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7853/Overview>

AJR 13 – Constitutional Amendment: Canvas of Elections

Introduced by Assemblymen Wheeler, Dickman, et al (3) and referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR C-652)

Proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution to require the Legislature to canvass the vote for the general election and certify the results.

Effective: Upon passage.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7874/Overview>

SB 268 – Budget Stress Test

Introduced by Senator D. Harris and referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR 17-545)

Requires the Fiscal Analysis Division of the Legislative Counsel Bureau, to the extent of available resources, to perform a budget stress test biennially and submit and cause the posting of a report of the results of the test.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7830/Overview>

SJR 7 – Constitutional Amendment: Change Election of Regents

Introduced by Senator Dondero Loop. Joint Sponsor Assemblyman Roberts. Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR C-944)

Refer to EDUCATION: NSHE this issue for summary.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7818/Overview>

SJR 8 – Constitutional Amendment: Valuation of Property

Introduced by Senator Ratti and referred to Committee on Revenue and Economic Development. (BDR C-957)

Refer to TAXES: Property this issue for summary.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7821/Overview>

SJR 9 – Constitutional Amendment: Redistricting

Introduced by Senator Kieckhefer and referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR C-160)

Amends the Nevada Constitution to create an independent redistricting commission.

Effective: Upon passage.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7834/Overview>

JUDICIAL

SB 262 – Civil Action: Attorney Fees

Introduced by Senators Settlemeyer, Pickard, et al (7). Joint Sponsors Assemblymen Titus, Wheeler, et al (12). Referred to Committee on Judiciary. (BDR 2-640)

Requires a court to award reasonable attorney's fees to a plaintiff who prevails in a civil action for the establishment, protection or enforcement of a right pursuant to a provision of the Nevada Constitution.

Effective: Upon passage and approval.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7817/Overview>

ELECTIONS

AB 263 – Signature Verification

Introduced by Assemblymen Hansen, Wheeler, et al (6). Joint Sponsor Senator Hansen. Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR 24-537)

Refer to GOVERNMENT: State and Local this issue for summary.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7729/Overview>

AB 264 – Voter Registration Lists

Introduced by Assemblymen Kasama, Hardy, et al (10) and referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR 24-637)

Refer to GOVERNMENT: State and Local this issue for summary.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7730/Overview>

AB 297 – Registrar of Voters: Clark and Washoe Counties

Introduced by Assemblymen Titus, Leavitt, et al (2). Joint Sponsors Senators Settlemeyer, Hardy, et al (1). Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR 24-908)

Refer to GOVERNMENT: State and Local this issue for summary.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7799/Overview>

AB 321 – Mail Ballots and Signatures

Introduced by Assemblymen Frierson and Benitez-Thompson and referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR 24-927)

Refer to GOVERNMENT: State and Local this issue for summary.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7842/Overview>

AB 328 – Voter Registration

Introduced by Assemblymen Hardy, Titus, et al (11). Joint Sponsors Senators Hansen, Pickard, et al (3). Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR 24-609)

Refer to GOVERNMENT: State and Local this issue for summary.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7851/Overview>

AJR 11 – Constitutional Amendment: Changes to Primary and General Election Ballots

Introduced by Assemblywoman Black and referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR C-596)

Proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution to require “none of the above” be a choice on the ballot in any primary or general election.

Effective: Upon passage.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7835/Overview>

AJR 13 – Constitutional Amendment: Canvas of Elections

Introduced by Assemblymen Wheeler, Dickman, et al (3) and referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR C-652)

Refer to LEGISLATURE this issue for summary.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7874/Overview>

SB 256 – Petitions: Electronic Circulation

Introduced by Senator Kieckhefer and referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR 24-126)

Refer to GOVERNMENT: State and Local this issue for summary.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7788/Overview>

SB 263 – Voter Registration

Introduced by Senator Settlemeyer and referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR 24-896)

Refer to GOVERNMENT: State and Local this issue for summary.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7819/Overview>

SB 270 – Political Contributions

Introduced by Senators Seevers Gansert, Hardy, et al (3) and referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections. (BDR 24-602)

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<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/7836/Overview>

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