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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).
- ♦ 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](#).
- ♦ Fiscal information is not currently available on recently introduced bills as they are exempt to the statutory provisions found in [NRS 218D.475](#).

TAXES

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

TAXES: Business

AB 449 – Economic Development Tax Abatements

Introduced by Assemblywoman Benitez-Thompson and referred to Committee on Revenue. (BDR 32-359)

Revises provisions governing the approval of applications for tax abatements by the Office of Economic Development, as well as the duration of tax abatements. Also requires businesses receiving certain abatements of taxes to pay a percentage of the abatements for development of affordable housing.

Effective: July 1, 2021 with varying expirations by limitation from 2023 to 2056.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/8123/Overview>

FEES, FINES & PENALTIES

(See Issue 21-1, Page 4, NTA's Policy for Evaluating Fees.)

SB 407 – Registration of Apiaries – Requires 2/3s Majority

Requested by the Governor's Office of Finance. Introduced by the Committee on Finance and referred to Committee on Natural Resources. (BDR 49-1085)

Establishes registration fee requirements for the operations of apiaries. Department of Agriculture will determine fee structure through regulation.

Effective: Upon passage and approval.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/8121/Overview>

SB 408 – Fee Increase: Pharmaceutical Manufacturers and Wholesalers – Requires 2/3s Majority

Requested by the Governor's Office of Finance. Introduced by the Committee on Finance and referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor. (BDR 54-1098)

Fee increase from \$500 to \$1,000 for wholesalers and manufacturers for original licensing investigation as well as biennial licensing registration. This bill also contains fairly extensive provisions relating to the Board of Pharmacy.

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/8124/Overview>

WORKFORCE / ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**AB 450 – Interim Study: Workforce Development**

Declared Exempt. Requested by Office of the Governor. Introduced by Committee on Education and referred to same. (BDR S-1108)

Refer to STUDY & ADVISORY COMMITTEES this issue for summary.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/8126/Overview>

AB 459 – Workforce Innovations Office

Declared Exempt. Requested by Governor’s Office of Finance. Introduced by Committee on Ways and Means and referred to same. (BDR 18-1068)

Moves the Office of Workforce Innovation from the Office of the Governor to the Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation. The legislation establishes a separate Division within the Department and reorganizes the organization and operation of the Office.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/8135/Overview>

GOVERNMENT: State**AB 452 – Funding: Greenhouse Gases Report**

Declared Exempt. Requested by the Governor’s Office of Finance. Introduced by Committee on Ways and Means and referred to same. (BDR 40-1093)

Requires certain agencies to submit information to the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for purposes of the annual report on greenhouse gases. The direct and indirect costs associated with providing the report are paid with an amount not to exceed \$500,000 transferred to the account to pay for the Management of Air Quality from an amount in excess over \$7.5 million from the Fund for Cleaning Up Discharges of Petroleum.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/8128/Overview>

STATE BUDGET: Appropriations IN Executive Budget**AB 451 – Secretary of State: Computer Updates**

Declared Exempt. Requested by the Governor’s Office of Finance. Introduced by Committee on Ways and Means and referred to same. (BDR S-1061)

Appropriates \$2,530,292 from the General Fund to the Office of the Secretary of State for the replacement of computer hardware and software. 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/8127/Overview>

AB 453 – Account for Pensions for Silicosis, and related issues

Declared Exempt. Requested by Governor’s Office of Finance. Introduced by Committee on Ways and Means and referred to same. (BDR S-1112)

Appropriates \$34,000 from the General Fund to the Account for Pensions for Silicosis, Diseases Related to Asbestos and Other Disabilities.

Effective: Upon passage and approval.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/8129/Overview>

AB 454 – Nevada Promise Scholarship

Declared Exempt. Requested by Governor’s Office of Finance. Introduced by Committee on Ways and Means and referred to same. (BDR S-1113)

Appropriates \$7,328,366 from the General Fund to the Nevada Promise Scholarship Account to support the Nevada Promise Scholarship Program.

Effective: Upon passage and approval.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/8130/Overview>

AB 455 – State Controller: Printer Replacement

Declared Exempt. Requested by Governor’s Office of Finance. Introduced by Committee on Ways and Means and referred to same. (BDR S-1114)

Appropriates \$18,848 from the General Fund to the Office of the State Controller for the replacement of printers. 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/8131/Overview>

AB 456 – Desert Regional Center: Jones Campus

Declared Exempt. Requested by Governor’s Office of Finance. Introduced by Committee on Ways and Means and referred to same. (BDR S-1120)

Appropriates \$85,750 from the General Fund to the Aging and Disability Services Division of the Department of Health and Human Services for pavement maintenance at the Jones campus of the Desert Regional Center. 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/8132/Overview>

AB 457 – Division of Forestry: Deferred Maintenance

Declared Exempt. Requested by Governor’s Office of Finance. Introduced by Committee on Ways and Means and referred to same. (BDR S-1133)

Appropriates \$666,590 from the General Fund to the Division of Forestry of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources for deferred maintenance projects. 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/8133/Overview>

AB 458 – Real Estate Division: Computer Updates

Declared Exempt. Requested by Governor’s Office of Finance. Introduced by Committee on Ways and Means and referred to same. (BDR S-1134)

Appropriates \$693,670 and \$37,654 from the General Fund to the Real Estate Division of the Department of Business and Industry for an update of its licensing software system and replacement of computer hardware and software, respectively. 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/8134/Overview>

STUDY & ADVISORY COMMITTEES**AB 450 – Interim Study: Workforce Development**

Declared Exempt. Requested by Office of the Governor. Introduced by Committee on Education and referred to same. (BDR S-1108)

Directs the Governor of the State of Nevada to conduct an interim study concerning opportunities to align workforce training and programs offered by community colleges. Establishes the membership of the committee and includes without limitation issues to be studied regarding the structure and funding of community colleges.

Effective: Upon passage and approval.

<https://www.leg.state.nv.us/App/NELIS/REL/81st2021/Bill/8126/Overview>

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