### ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 451–ASSEMBLYMEMBERS JAUREGUI AND O'NEILL

# MARCH 17, 2025

## Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Establishes provisions for voluntarily placing temporary restrictions on the possession, custody, control, purchase or acquisition of firearms. (BDR 15-1057)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State: Yes.

EXPLANATION - Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to firearms; establishing provisions for voluntarily placing temporary restrictions on the possession, custody, control, purchase or acquisition of firearms; revising provisions relating to permits to carry a concealed firearm for persons with temporary restrictions on firearms; providing that forms and records relating to temporary restrictions on firearms are confidential; requiring the Department of Public Safety to adopt regulations relating to temporary restrictions on firearms; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

#### Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Existing law authorizes a family or household member who reasonably 234567 believes, or a law enforcement officer who has probable cause to believe, that a person poses an imminent risk of causing personal injury to himself or herself or another person by possessing, controlling, purchasing or otherwise acquiring a firearm, to file a verified application for an emergency or extended order for protection against high-risk behavior. (NRS 33.560) Existing law also prohibits certain persons from owning or having in their possession or under their custody or 8 9 control any firearm under certain circumstances. (NRS 202.360) Sections 2-14 of this bill establish a process wherein a person may voluntarily seek to temporarily 10 restrict his or her ability to possess, have custody or control of or purchase or 11 otherwise acquire any firearm.

Section 8 of this bill requires the Department of Public Safety to: (1) develop a process and forms for inclusion on, and removal from, a list of temporary restricted persons; and (2) maintain the list. Section 9 of this bill requires: (1) a licensed





15 firearm dealer or local law enforcement agency to accept such forms from persons 16 requesting inclusion on the list of temporary restricted persons and transmit the 17 forms to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History through 18 the Nevada Criminal Justice Information System; and (2) the Central Repository to 19 add such persons to the list of temporary restricted persons and enter the 20 information in the National Instant Criminal Background Check System. Section 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 11 of this bill provides a similar process for requesting removal from the list of temporary restricted persons. Section 12 of this bill requires a licensed firearm dealer or local law enforcement agency, as applicable, to destroy the files and the Central Repository to destroy the records after a person is removed from the list of temporary restricted persons.

Under existing law, a person who wishes to carry a concealed firearm is required to obtain a permit from the sheriff and certain persons are prohibited from obtaining such a permit. (NRS 202.3657) Section 15 of this bill requires the sheriff to deny an application for or suspend a permit to carry a concealed firearm if a person is temporarily restricted from possessing, having custody or control of or purchasing or otherwise acquiring any firearm.

31 32 33 34 Section 13 of this bill provides that all forms and records relating to temporary restrictions under sections 2-14 are confidential and are not public records. Section 16 of this bill makes a conforming change to indicate that such information is 35 exempt from the requirement that public books and public records of a 36 governmental entity must be open to inspection.

### THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA. REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** Chapter 202 of NRS is hereby amended by adding 1 2 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 14, inclusive, of this 3 act.

4 Sec. 2. As used in sections 2 to 14, inclusive, of this act, 5 unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined 6 in sections 3 to 6, inclusive, of this act have the meanings ascribed 7 to them in those sections.

"Central Repository" means the Central Repository 8 Sec. 3. for Nevada Records of Criminal History. 9

Sec. 4. "Department" means the Department of Public 10 11 Safety.

"Licensed firearm dealer" means a person licensed 12 Sec. 5. pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 923(a). 13

14 Sec. 6. "Local law enforcement agency" means:

The sheriff's office of a county; 15 1.

A metropolitan police department; or 2. 16

17 3. A police department of an incorporated city.

Sec. 7. A person who is not prohibited from owning, 18

possessing or having under his or her custody or control any 19

20 firearm pursuant to NRS 202.360 may be voluntarily restricted

21 through a temporary process from possessing, having under his or





her custody or control, purchasing or otherwise acquiring a 1 2 firearm. 3 Sec. 8. 1. The Department shall: (a) Develop a process and forms for inclusion on, and removal 4 5 from, a list of temporary restricted persons; (b) Maintain the list: 6 7 (c) Make the forms for inclusion and removal available on its 8 Internet website: and 9 (d) Require, at a minimum, the following information for the 10 person described in section 7 of this act: 11 (1) Name: 12 (2) Address; 13 (3) Date of birth; 14 (4) Contact information: 15 (5) Signature; and (6) An acknowledgment of the statement described in 16 17 subsection 2. 18 The form must have the following language prominently displayed before the signature: 19 20 21 **ACKNOWLEDGMENT** 22 By presenting this completed form to a licensed firearm 23 dealer or local law enforcement agency, I understand that I 24 am voluntarily requesting that my name be placed on a list that restricts my ability to possess, have custody or control 25 26 of, purchase or otherwise acquire a firearm for not less than 27 21 days. I understand that by making myself a temporary 28 restricted person, I may not have a firearm in my 29 possession, custody or control and any attempt to purchase 30 or otherwise acquire a firearm while I am on this list will be denied. I also understand that any time after 21 days, I may 31 32 request removal from the list of temporary restricted persons and all previous rights will be restored. In addition, if I am 33 in possession of a permit to carry a concealed firearm issued 34 pursuant to NRS 202.3653 to 202.369, inclusive, my permit 35 will be suspended during the time I am on the list but will be 36 reinstated upon my removal unless the permit has been 37 revoked, suspended for another reason or expired or I have 38 become prohibited from owning, possessing or having under 39 40 my custody or control any firearm. Additionally, I acknowledge that if I possess, obtain custody or control of, 41 42 purchase or otherwise acquire a firearm while I am outside 43 of this State, I will be subject to the law of that jurisdiction 44 regarding restricted persons.





1 Sec. 9. 1. A person requesting inclusion on the list of 2 temporary restricted persons maintained pursuant to section 8 of 3 this act shall deliver the completed form in person to a licensed 4 firearm dealer or local law enforcement agency who:

5 (a) Shall verify the identity of the person before accepting the 6 form;

7 (b) May not accept a form from anyone other than the person 8 named on the form; and

9 (c) Shall electronically transmit the form to the Central 10 Repository through the Nevada Criminal Justice Information 11 System.

12 2. Upon receipt of a verified form requesting inclusion on the
13 list of temporary restricted persons, the Central Repository shall,
14 within 24 hours:

15 (a) Add the name of the person to the list; and

16 (b) Enter the information in the National Instant Criminal 17 Background Check System, including the date of the entry.

18 3. A person who is added to the list of temporary restricted 19 persons may not request removal from the list unless the person 20 has been on the list for at least 21 days.

21 Sec. 10. If a person who is added to the list of temporary 22 restricted persons pursuant to sections 2 to 14, inclusive, of this 23 act possesses a permit to carry a concealed firearm issued 24 pursuant to NRS 202.3653 to 202.369, inclusive, the person's 25 permit must be:

26 1. Suspended upon entry onto the list of temporary restricted 27 persons; and

28 **2. Reinstated upon removal from the list of temporary** 29 restricted persons, unless:

30 (a) The permit has expired, been revoked or suspended for a 31 reason other than under sections 2 to 14, inclusive, of this act; or

32 (b) The person is prohibited from owning, possessing or 33 having under his or her custody or control any firearm pursuant 34 to NRS 202.360.

**Sec. 11.** *1. A person requesting removal from the list of temporary restricted persons maintained pursuant to section 8 of this act shall deliver in person a completed form for removal to the licensed firearm dealer or local law enforcement agency that processed the form for inclusion on the list pursuant to section 9 of this act. The licensed firearm dealer or local law enforcement agency:* 

42 (a) Shall verify the identity of the person before accepting the 43 form;

(b) May not accept a form from someone other than the person
named on the form; and





1 (c) Shall electronically transmit the form to the Central 2 Repository through the Nevada Criminal Justice Information 3 System.

4 2. Upon receipt of a verified form for removal, the Central 5 Repository shall within 24 hours remove the person from the list 6 of temporary restricted persons and the information from the 7 National Instant Criminal Background Check System.

8 Sec. 12. 1. A licensed firearm dealer or local law 9 enforcement agency that receives a form for inclusion on the list 10 of temporary restricted persons maintained pursuant to section 8 11 of this act shall maintain the form and all subsequent forms 12 related to the person who requested such inclusion in a separate 13 file.

14 2. If a licensed firearm dealer or local law enforcement 15 agency receives a form for removal pursuant to section 11 of this 16 act, the licensed firearm dealer or local law enforcement agency, 17 as applicable, shall destroy the entire file after transmitting the 18 form to the Central Repository.

19 3. Upon removal of a person from the list of temporary 20 restricted persons, the Central Repository shall destroy all records 21 related to the inclusion and removal of the person.

22 Sec. 13. All forms and records created pursuant to sections 2 23 to 14, inclusive, of this act are confidential and are not public 24 records pursuant to chapter 239 of NRS.

25 Sec. 14. The Department shall adopt regulations to develop 26 the processes and forms to carry out the provisions of sections 2 to 27 14, inclusive, of this act.

Sec. 15. NRS 202.3657 is hereby amended to read as follows:

29 202.3657 1. Any person who is a resident of this State may 30 apply to the sheriff of the county in which he or she resides for a 31 permit on a form prescribed by regulation of the Department. Any 32 person who is not a resident of this State may apply to the sheriff of 33 any county in this State for a permit on a form prescribed by 34 regulation of the Department. Application forms for permits must be 35 furnished by the sheriff of each county upon request.

2. A person applying for a permit may submit one application and obtain one permit to carry all handguns owned by the person. The person must not be required to list and identify on the application each handgun owned by the person. A permit is valid for any handgun which is owned or thereafter obtained by the person to whom the permit is issued.

42 3. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the sheriff shall 43 issue a permit to any person who is qualified to possess a handgun 44 under state and federal law, who submits an application in 45 accordance with the provisions of this section and who:



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(a) Is:

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(1) Twenty-one years of age or older; or

3 (2) At least 18 years of age but less than 21 years of age if 4 the person:

5 (I) Is a member of the Armed Forces of the United States, 6 a reserve component thereof or the National Guard; or

7 (II) Was discharged or released from service in the 8 Armed Forces of the United States, a reserve component thereof or 9 the National Guard under honorable conditions;

10 (b) Is not prohibited from possessing a firearm pursuant to NRS 11 202.360; and

12 (c) Demonstrates competence with handguns by presenting a 13 certificate or other documentation to the sheriff which shows that 14 the applicant:

15 (1) Successfully completed a course in firearm safety 16 approved by a sheriff in this State; or

17 (2) Successfully completed a course in firearm safety offered 18 by a federal, state or local law enforcement agency, community 19 college, university or national organization that certifies instructors 20 in firearm safety.

Such a course must include instruction in the use of handguns
and in the laws of this State relating to the use of a firearm. A sheriff
may not approve a course in firearm safety pursuant to subparagraph
(1) unless the sheriff determines that the course meets any standards
that are established by the Nevada Sheriffs' and Chiefs' Association
or, if the Nevada Sheriffs' and Chiefs' Association ceases to exist,
its legal successor.

4. The sheriff shall deny an application or revoke a permit if the sheriff determines that the applicant or permittee:

30 (a) Has an outstanding warrant for his or her arrest.

31 (b) Has been judicially declared incompetent or insane.

32 (c) Has been voluntarily or involuntarily admitted to a mental 33 health facility during the immediately preceding 5 years.

(d) Has habitually used intoxicating liquor or a controlled
substance to the extent that his or her normal faculties are impaired.
For the purposes of this paragraph, it is presumed that a person has
so used intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance if, during the
immediately preceding 5 years, the person has:

39 (1) Been convicted of violating the provisions of NRS 40 484C.110; or

41 (2) Participated in a program of treatment pursuant to NRS42 176A.230 to 176A.245, inclusive.

43 (e) Has been convicted of a crime involving the use or
44 threatened use of force or violence punishable as a misdemeanor
45 under the laws of this or any other state, or a territory or possession





1 of the United States at any time during the immediately preceding 3 2 years.

3 (f) Has been convicted of a felony in this State or under the laws 4 of any state, territory or possession of the United States.

5 (g) Has been convicted of a crime involving domestic violence 6 or stalking, or is currently subject to a restraining order, injunction 7 or other order for protection against domestic violence.

8 (h) Is currently subject to an emergency or extended order for 9 protection against high-risk behavior issued pursuant to NRS 33.570 or 33.580. 10

11 (i) Is currently on parole or probation from a conviction 12 obtained in this State or in any other state or territory or possession 13 of the United States.

14 (j) Has, within the immediately preceding 5 years, been subject 15 to any requirements imposed by a court of this State or of any other 16 state or territory or possession of the United States, as a condition to 17 the court's:

18 (1) Withholding of the entry of judgment for a conviction of 19 a felony; or 20

(2) Suspension of sentence for the conviction of a felony.

21 (k) Has made a false statement on any application for a permit 22 or for the renewal of a permit.

23 (1) Has been discharged or released from service in the Armed 24 Forces of the United States, a reserve component thereof or the 25 National Guard under conditions other than honorable conditions 26 and is less than 21 years of age.

27 5. The sheriff may deny an application or revoke a permit if the 28 sheriff receives a sworn affidavit stating articulable facts based upon 29 personal knowledge from any natural person who is 18 years of age 30 or older that the applicant or permittee has or may have committed 31 an offense or engaged in any other activity specified in subsection 4 32 which would preclude the issuance of a permit to the applicant or 33 require the revocation of a permit pursuant to this section.

34 6. If the sheriff receives notification submitted by a court or 35 law enforcement agency of this or any other state, the United States or a territory or possession of the United States that a permittee or 36 37 an applicant for a permit has been charged with a crime involving 38 the use or threatened use of force or violence, the conviction for 39 which would require the revocation of a permit or preclude 40 the issuance of a permit to the applicant pursuant to this section, the 41 sheriff shall suspend the person's permit or the processing of the 42 person's application until the final disposition of the charges against 43 the person. If a permittee is acquitted of the charges, or if the 44 charges are dropped, the sheriff shall restore his or her permit 45 without imposing a fee.





1 7. The sheriff shall deny an application or suspend a permit if 2 the applicant or permittee is a temporary restricted person 3 pursuant to sections 2 to 14, inclusive, of this act. If a permittee is 4 removed from the temporary restricted list, the sheriff shall restore 5 his or her permit without imposing a fee.

6 8. An application submitted pursuant to this section must be 7 completed and signed under oath by the applicant. The applicant's 8 signature must be witnessed by an employee of the sheriff or 9 notarized by a notary public. The application must include:

10 (a) The name, address, place and date of birth, social security 11 number, occupation and employer of the applicant and any other 12 names used by the applicant;

(b) A complete set of the applicant's fingerprints taken by thesheriff or his or her agent;

15 (c) A front-view colored photograph of the applicant taken by 16 the sheriff or his or her agent;

(d) If the applicant is a resident of this State, the driver's license
number or identification card number of the applicant issued by the
Department of Motor Vehicles;

(e) If the applicant is not a resident of this State, the driver's
license number or identification card number of the applicant issued
by another state or jurisdiction;

(f) If the applicant is a person described in subparagraph (2) ofparagraph (a) of subsection 3, proof that the applicant:

(1) Is a member of the Armed Forces of the United States, a
reserve component thereof or the National Guard, as evidenced by
his or her current military identification card; or

28 (2) Was discharged or released from service in the Armed 29 Forces of the United States, a reserve component thereof or the 30 National Guard under honorable conditions, as evidenced by his or 31 her DD Form 214, "Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active 32 Duty," or other document of honorable separation issued by the 33 United States Department of Defense;

(g) A nonrefundable fee equal to the nonvolunteer rate charged
by the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History
and the Federal Bureau of Investigation to obtain the reports
required pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 202.366; and

(h) A nonrefundable fee set by the sheriff not to exceed \$60.

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Sec. 16. NRS 239.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

239.010 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section and
NRS 1.4683, 1.4687, 1A.110, 3.2203, 41.0397, 41.071, 49.095,
49.293, 62D.420, 62D.440, 62E.516, 62E.620, 62H.025, 62H.030,
62H.170, 62H.220, 62H.320, 75A.100, 75A.150, 76.160, 78.152,
80.113, 81.850, 82.183, 86.246, 86.54615, 87.515, 87.5413,
87A.200, 87A.580, 87A.640, 88.3355, 88.5927, 88.6067, 88A.345,



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88A.7345, 89.045, 89.251, 90.730, 91.160, 116.757, 116A.270, 1 2 118B.026, 119.260, 119.265, 119.267, 116B.880. 119.280. 119A.280, 119A.653, 119A.677, 119B.370, 119B.382, 120A.640, 3 120A.690, 125.130, 125B.140, 126.141, 126.161, 126.163, 126.730, 4 5 127.007, 127.057, 127.130, 127.140, 127.2817, 128.090, 130.312, 130.712, 136.050, 159.044, 159A.044, 164.041, 172.075, 172.245, 6 7 176.01334, 176.01385, 176.015, 176.0625, 176.09129, 176.156, 8 176A.630, 178.39801, 178.4715, 178.5691, 178.5717, 179.495, 179A.070, 179A.165, 179D.160, 180.600, 200.3771, 200.3772, 9 200.5095, 200.604, 202.3662, 205.4651, 209.392, 209.3923, 10 209.3925, 209.419, 209.429, 209.521, 211A.140, 213.010, 213.040, 11 213.095, 213.131, 217.105, 217.110, 217.464, 217.475, 218A.350, 12 13 218E.625, 218F.150, 218G.130, 218G.240, 218G.350, 218G.615, 224.240, 226.462, 226.796, 228.270, 228.450, 228.495, 228.570, 14 231.1473, 232.1369, 233.190, 15 231.069. 231.1285, 237.300. 239.0105, 239.0113, 239.014, 239B.026, 239B.030, 239B.040, 16 239B.050, 239C.140, 239C.210, 239C.230, 239C.250, 239C.270, 17 239C.420, 240.007, 241.020, 241.030, 241.039, 242.105, 244.264, 18 244.335, 247.540, 247.545, 247.550, 247.560, 250.087, 250.130, 19 250.140, 250.145, 250.150, 268.095, 268.0978, 268.490, 268.910, 20 269.174, 271A.105, 281.195, 281.805, 281A.350, 281A.680, 21 281A.685, 281A.750, 281A.755, 281A.780, 284.4068, 284.4086, 22 286.110, 286.118, 287.0438, 289.025, 289.080, 289.387, 289.830, 23 293.4855, 293.5002, 293.503, 293.504, 293.558, 293.5757, 293.870, 24 293.906, 293.908, 293.909, 293.910, 293B.135, 293D.510, 331.110, 25 26 332.061, 332.351, 333.333, 333.335, 338.070, 338.1379, 338.1593, 27 338.1725. 338.1727, 348.420, 349.597, 349.775. 353.205. 28 353A.049, 353A.085, 353A.100, 353C.240, 353D.250, 360.240, 29 360.247, 360.255, 360.755, 361.044, 361.2242, 361.610, 365.138, 366.160, 368A.180, 370.257, 370.327, 372A.080, 378.290, 378.300, 30 379.0075, 379.008, 379.1495, 385A.830, 385B.100, 387.626, 31 387.631, 388.1455, 388.259, 388.501, 388.503, 388.513, 388.750, 32 388A.247, 388A.249, 391.033, 391.035, 391.0365, 391.120, 33 391.925, 392.029, 392.147, 392.264, 392.271, 392.315, 392.317, 34 392.325, 392.327, 392.335, 392.850, 393.045, 394.167, 394.16975, 35 394.1698, 394.447, 394.460, 394.465, 396.1415, 396.1425, 396.143, 36 37 396.159. 396.3295, 396.405, 396.525, 396.535, 396.9685. 398A.115, 408.3885, 408.3886, 408.3888, 408.5484, 412.153, 38 414.280, 416.070, 422.2749, 422.305, 422A.342, 422A.350, 39 425.400, 427A.1236, 427A.872, 427A.940, 432.028, 432.205, 40 432B.175, 432B.280, 432B.290, 432B.4018, 432B.407, 432B.430, 41 42 432B.560, 432B.5902, 432C.140, 432C.150, 433.534, 433A.360, 43 439.4941, 439.4988, 439.5282, 439.840, 439.914, 439A.116, 439A.124, 439B.420, 439B.754, 439B.760, 439B.845, 440.170, 44 45 441A.195, 441A.220, 441A.230, 442.330, 442.395, 442.735.



442.774, 445A.665, 445B.570, 445B.7773, 449.209, 1 449.245. 2 449.4315, 449A.112, 450.140, 450B.188, 450B.805, 453.164. 453.720, 458.055, 458.280, 459.050, 459.3866, 459.555, 459.7056, 3 459.846, 463.120, 463.15993, 463.240, 463.3403, 463.3407, 4 5 463.790, 467.1005, 480.535, 480.545, 480.935, 480.940, 481.063, 481.091, 481.093, 482.170, 482.368, 482.5536, 483.340, 483.363, 6 7 483.575, 483.659, 483.800, 484A.469, 484B.830, 484B.833, 484E.070, 485.316, 501.344, 503.452, 522.040, 534A.031, 561.285, 8 9 598.0964. 571.160. 584.655. 587.877, 598.098. 598A.110, 598A.420, 599B.090, 603.070, 603A.210, 604A.303, 604A.710, 10 604D.500, 604D.600, 612.265, 616B.012, 616B.015, 616B.315, 11 616B.350, 618.341, 618.425, 622.238, 622.310, 623.131, 623A.137, 12 13 624.110, 624.265, 624.327, 625.425, 625A.185, 628.418, 628B.230, 14 628B.760. 629.043. 629.047. 629.069. 630.133. 630.2671. 15 630.2672, 630.2673, 630.2687, 630.30665, 630.336, 630A.327, 632.3415, 16 630A.555, 631.332. 631.368. 632.121, 632.125, 17 632.3423, 632.405, 633.283, 633.301, 633.427, 633.4715, 633.4716, 18 633.4717. 633.524. 634.055, 634.1303, 634.214, 634A.169, 634A.185, 634B.730, 635.111, 635.158, 636.262, 636.342, 637.085, 19 638.089. 20 637.145, 637B.192. 637B.288, 638.087, 639.183. 21 639.570, 640.075, 640.152, 640A.185, 640A.220, 639.2485. 22 640B.405, 640B.730, 640C.580, 640C.600, 640C.620, 640C.745, 23 640C.760, 640D.135, 640D.190, 640E.225, 640E.340, 641.090, 24 641.221, 641.2215, 641A.191, 641A.217, 641A.262, 641B.170, 25 641B.281, 641B.282, 641C.455, 641C.760, 641D.260, 641D.320, 26 642.524. 643.189, 644A.870, 645.180, 645.625. 645A.050. 27 645A.082, 645B.060, 645B.092, 645C.220, 645C.225, 645D.130, 28 645D.135, 645G.510, 645H.320, 645H.330, 647.0945, 647.0947, 648.033, 648.197, 649.065, 649.067, 652.126, 652.228, 653.900. 29 654.110, 656.105, 657A.510, 661.115, 665.130, 665.133, 669.275, 30 669.285, 669A.310, 670B.680, 671.365, 671.415, 673.450, 673.480, 31 675.380, 676A.340, 676A.370, 677.243, 678A.470, 678C.710, 32 678C.800, 679B.122, 679B.124, 679B.152, 679B.159, 679B.190, 33 679B.285, 679B.690, 680A.270, 681A.440, 681B.260, 681B.410, 34 681B.540, 683A.0873, 685A.077, 686A.289, 686B.170, 686C.306, 35 687A.060, 687A.115, 687B.404, 687C.010, 688C.230, 688C.480, 36 37 688C.490, 689A.696, 692A.117, 692C.190, 692C.3507, 692C.3536, 692C.3538, 692C.354, 692C.420, 693A.480, 693A.615, 696B.550, 38 696C.120, 703.196, 704B.325, 706.1725, 706A.230, 710.159, 39 711.600, and section 13 of this act, sections 35, 38 and 41 of 40 chapter 478, Statutes of Nevada 2011 and section 2 of chapter 391, 41 42 Statutes of Nevada 2013 and unless otherwise declared by law to be 43 confidential, all public books and public records of a governmental 44 entity must be open at all times during office hours to inspection by 45 any person, and may be fully copied or an abstract or memorandum





1 may be prepared from those public books and public records. Any 2 such copies, abstracts or memoranda may be used to supply the 3 general public with copies, abstracts or memoranda of the records or 4 may be used in any other way to the advantage of the governmental 5 entity or of the general public. This section does not supersede or in any manner affect the federal laws governing copyrights or enlarge, 6 diminish or affect in any other manner the rights of a person in any 7 8 written book or record which is copyrighted pursuant to federal law.

9 2. A governmental entity may not reject a book or record 10 which is copyrighted solely because it is copyrighted.

A governmental entity that has legal custody or control of a 11 3. 12 public book or record shall not deny a request made pursuant to 13 subsection 1 to inspect or copy or receive a copy of a public book or 14 record on the basis that the requested public book or record contains information that is confidential if the governmental entity can 15 16 redact, delete, conceal or separate, including, without limitation, 17 electronically, the confidential information from the information 18 included in the public book or record that is not otherwise 19 confidential.

4. If requested, a governmental entity shall provide a copy of a public record in an electronic format by means of an electronic medium. Nothing in this subsection requires a governmental entity to provide a copy of a public record in an electronic format or by means of an electronic medium if:

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26 27 (a) The public record:

(1) Ŵas not created or prepared in an electronic format; and

(2) Is not available in an electronic format; or

(b) Providing the public record in an electronic format or bymeans of an electronic medium would:

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(1) Give access to proprietary software; or

31 (2) Require the production of information that is confidential 32 and that cannot be redacted, deleted, concealed or separated from 33 information that is not otherwise confidential.

5. An officer, employee or agent of a governmental entity who has legal custody or control of a public record:

(a) Shall not refuse to provide a copy of that public record in the
medium that is requested because the officer, employee or agent has
already prepared or would prefer to provide the copy in a different
medium.

40 (b) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 239.030, shall, upon 41 request, prepare the copy of the public record and shall not require 42 the person who has requested the copy to prepare the copy himself 43 or herself.

44 **Sec. 17.** 1. This section becomes effective upon passage and 45 approval.





- 2. Sections 1 to 16, inclusive, of this act become effective:
  (a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and
  (b) On October 1, 2025, for all other purposes.



