STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources



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To: State Land Use Planning Advisory Council

From: Scott Carey, AICP, State Lands Planner

RE: Recap of Land Use Planning Bills and Other Policy Issues from the 82nd Session

of the Nevada Legislature

Background

Staff monitored the 82nd Session of the Nevada Legislature that began on February 6th and will run till June 5th. During the session staff tracked proposed bills and other policy matters being discussed at the Legislature related to land use planning, zoning, and natural resource issues. The Agency closely coordinated its bill tracking efforts this session with the Nevada Chapter of the American Planning Association (APA) and DCNR leadership to keep a list of bills that are of interest to the Council. The Agency would like to extend its appreciation to Marco Velotta of the City of Las Vegas and Professional Development Officer for the APA for his assistance during the session. A copy of the Agency's BDR list is attached to this memo.

At the meeting staff will provide the Council broad overview of the following land use planning related bills for the Council.

Bill#	Sponsor	Summary	Topic	Status
AB 10	City of Las Vegas	Authorizes the designation of a tax increment area for certain transportation and housing reinvestment purposes.	Housing / Transportation	No Further Action Allowed.
AB 71	Joint Interim Standing Committee on Natural Resources	Creates 2023-2024 interim study relating to environmental justice.	Creates a working group to review environmental justice issues	No Further Action Allowed.
AB 131	Assemblywoman Cohen	Revises provisions governing urban forestry.	Environment	Passed. Signed Into Law by Governor.

AB 213	Assemblywoman Jauregui	Revises provisions governing residential zoning.	Land Use	Passed. Signed Into Law by Governor.
AB 220	Assembly Committee on Natural Resources	Revises provisions relating to water conservation.	Water	Passed. Signed Into Law by Governor.
AB 312	Assemblywoman Sarah Peters	Revises provisions governing environmental justice. Stand up an EJ committee to establish EJ metrics which would be used to conduct EJ Impact Assessment on regulations – similar to the small business impact assessments currently required by law.	Environment	No Further Action Allowed.
AB 314	Assemblywoman Gallant	Revises provisions governing local government licensure and regulation of home-based businesses.	Business	No Further Action Allowed.
AJR 3	Assemblywoman Peters	AJR: Proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution relating to the protection of certain environmental rights.	Constitutional amendment known as the Green Amendment to enshrine protections of natural resources in the constitution.	No Further Action Allowed.
SB 18	City of Fernley	Revises provisions governing meetings of planning commissions in certain counties.	Government Administration	Passed. Signed Into Law by Governor.
SB 19	Clark County	Revises provisions relating to the creation of unincorporated towns.	Government Administration	Passed. Signed Into Law by Governor.
SB 33	Cannabis Compliance Board	Revises various provisions relating to cannabis.	Alcohol / Marijuana	No Further Action Allowed.
SB 81	Senator Daly	Revises provisions governing regional planning.	Zoning / Land Use	Passed. Vetoed by the Governor.

SB 92	Senator Donate	Revises provisions relating to street food vending.	Business	Passed. Signed Into Law by Governor.
SB 169	Joint Committee on Natural Resources	Revises provisions governing master plans adopted by certain local governments.	Environment	Passed. Vetoed by the Governor.
SB 247	Senate Committee on Government Affairs	Revises provisions relating to regional planning in Southern Nevada.	Land Use	Passed. Signed Into Law by Governor.
SB 421	Senator Ohrenschall	Revises provisions relating to energy; revises tax abatements, IRP, and requires interim study on renewable energy.	Energy	No Further Action Allowed.
SB 432	Senator Seevers Gansert	Revises provisions relating to economic development. Creates the account to Mitigate the Regional Impacts of Economic Development.	Economic Development	No Further Action Allowed.

Following staff's overview of these land use planning bills, members of the Council are encouraged to share other bills or policy matters from the 82 Session of the Nevada Legislature with the rest of the Council. The Council may also engage in discussion on other issues and share any insight on potential impacts from legislation. Following the discussion, the Council if desired, is authorized to take a formal position on legislation from the legislative session.

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Council review the information provided and have a discussion on legislation and other land use planning policy matters from the 82nd Session of the Nevada Legislation.