

Bill Draft Requests  
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<b>BDR</b>	<b>Requestor/Committee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Subject Matter Expert</b>	<b>Stakeholders/ Partners</b>
15--10	Assembly Committee on Judiciary	Revises provisions governing smoking in certain stores.	D. Williams, M. Azzarelli	NTPC
40—23	Senator Wiener <a href="#">SB 7</a>	Makes various changes relating to the Advisory Council on the State Program for Fitness and Wellness.	N. Bungum	AHA/League of Women Voters/UNLV/Advisory Council on Fitness and Wellness/CCSD
42	Senator Cegavske	Revises the provisions governing communicable diseases to include MRSA.	J. Middaugh/B. Labus	NAA/Hospital Infection Control Nurses
48	Assemblywoman Kirkpatrick	Makes various changes concerning governmental financial administration.	S. Weiss	
53	Assemblyman Ocegüera	Makes various changes concerning transactions of scrap metal.	D. Campbell	NDEP
59	Senate Committee on Finance	Provides for a comprehensive study of existing taxes and the allocation of funding between state and local governments.	S. Weiss	
54--60	Senate Committee on Commerce and Labor	Makes various changes relating to massage therapists.	N. Hall	
18--62	Senator Wiener	Makes various changes concerning the procedure for adopting administrative regulations and the requirements of the Open Meeting Law.	S. Smith	
65	Senator Schneider	Revises provisions governing the partial abatement of property	S. Weiss	

		taxes.		
66	Assemblyman Ohrenschall	Revises provisions regarding the sale of certain recyclable materials.	D. Campbell	NDEP
40--68	Assemblywoman Gansert	Makes various changes concerning surgical centers.	L. Sands	
78	Assemblyman Parks	Establishes certain requirements for plastic products that contain certain chemical compounds which are intended to be used by children.	N. Hall/M. Bergtholdt	
105	Senator Woodhouse	Provides for the free immunization of certain children against certain diseases within certain limits.	B. Sorenson/V. Morata-Nichols	United Way/SNIC/Maternal Child Advisory Board (MCAB)
40--151	Assemblyman Stewart <a href="#">AB 68</a>	Provides for issuance of a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth.	A. Markle	
34--154	Assemblyman Stewart	Revises provisions governing immunization of children.	B. Sorenson	United Way/SNIC/ MCAB
161	Senator Carlton	Makes various changes to provisions governing occupational licensing boards.	Staff	
54--162	Senator Carlton	Revises provisions governing massage therapists.	N. Hall	
40--169	Senator Horsford <a href="#">SB 70</a>	Revises the provisions requiring inspections of ambulatory care centers and in-office physician clinics.	L. Sands	
40--201	Assemblyman Hardy (Originally requested by Senator Heck)	Revises provisions concerning the State Hygienic Laboratory.	J. Middaugh, P. Armour	
S--202	Senator Heck	Revises the sunset provision for the Nevada Academy of Health.	Staff	
38--210	Legislative Committee on Health Care(NRS.439B.200)	Revises provisions relating to Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program.	B. Sorenson	MCAB

	<a href="#">SB 4</a>			
39--211	Legislative Committee on Health Care(NRS.439B.200) <a href="#">AB 6</a>	Revises provisions governing certain emergency admissions to mental health facilities and hospitals.	R. Chetelat	
212	Legislative Committee on Health Care (NRS 439B.200) <a href="#">AB 7</a>	Makes appropriations relating to health care.		
40--214	Legislative Committee on Health Care(NRS.439B.200)	Revises provisions relating to public health.	Staff	
40--215	Legislative Committee on Health Care(NRS.439B.200)	Revises provisions relating to medical facilities.	Staff	
54--216	Legislative Committee on Health Care(NRS.439B.200)	Revises provisions relating to health care professional licensing boards.	L. Sands/J. Middaugh/B. Sorenson	State and local health authorities/CCMS/NSMA/professional associations
54--217	Legislative Committee on Health Care(NRS.439B.200)	Revises provisions relating to the discipline of certain health care professionals.	L. Sands/J. Middaugh/B. Sorenson	State and local health authorities/CCMS/NSMA/professional associations
218	Assembly Committee on Health and Human Services	Revises provisions relating to health care professional licensing board.	L. Sands/J. Middaugh/B. Sorenson	State and local health authorities/CCMS/NSMA/professional associations
40--219	Legislative Committee on Health Care (NRS 439B.200) <a href="#">AB 10</a>	Establishes certain protections for nurses.	B. Sorenson	
54--220	Legislative Committee on Health Care (NRS 439B.200)	Revises provisions relating to professional licensing boards and professional licenses.	L. Sands/J. Middaugh/B. Sorenson	State and local health authorities/CCMS/NSMA/professional associations
51--260	Attorney General <a href="#">SB 21</a>	Revises provisions governing the sales or offer of sale of certain food, drug and other commodities after the date of expiration of the commodity has passed.	S. Goode	

18--263	Attorney General <a href="#">SB 76</a>	Classifies provisions which allow an agency to summarily suspend a license in the interest of the public health, safety or welfare.	L. Sands/S. Smith	State and local public health authorities
32--270	Attorney General <a href="#">SB 48</a>	Revises the provisions governing taxes on the sale of cigarettes to remove the requirements regarding cigarette sales that are delivered to the premises of the purchaser that are preempted by federal law.	D. Williams/M. Azzarelli	NTPC
38--334	Child and Family Services, Division of Health and Human Services <a href="#">AB 89</a>	Revises provisions governing the regulation of licensed child care facilities.	S. Goode/M. Bergtholdt/G. Osburn	
40--336	Health Division-Health and Human Services <a href="#">SB 54</a>	Revises qualifications of the State Health Officer.	L. Sands	State and local health authorities/NSMA
50--356	Agriculture, State Dept. of <a href="#">SB 39</a>	<del>Eliminates the annual requirement that the State Department of Agriculture provide proposals for control of invasive species, pests and weeds to counties.</del>	V. Raman	
48--394	Senator Care	Prohibits certain restrictions on the use of gray water.	A. Qazi	
40--442	Governor, Office of the <a href="#">AB 62</a>	Requires determination of format of a do-not-resuscitate order by the Board of Health.	R. Chetelat	
40-448	Clark County <a href="#">AB 52</a>	Requires all hospitals in larger counties to provide core specialty services to treat patients with injuries or conditions typically seen in emergency departments or to have an agreement with another facility to provide those services.	R. Chetelat/M. Britt/S. Weiss	

32--451	Senator McGinness	Makes various changes relating to the assessment of property taxes.	S. Weiss	
31--460	Nevada Association of Counties <a href="#">AB 67</a>	Authorizes boards of county commissioners to levy an ad valorem tax to pay the costs of vital public safety, health and welfare services.	S. Weiss	
52--464	Assemblywoman Pierce	Prohibits retailers from promoting or selling children's toys that have been voluntarily recalled.	M. Bergtholdt	
466	Assemblywoman Pierce	Establishes a state e-recycling program for consumer electronics.	D. Campbell	NDEP
469	Assemblywoman Gansert	Expands the "Good Samaritan" law for health care providers responding to natural disasters and similar emergencies.	J. Shunney/P. Martel	
54--470	Assemblywoman Gansert	Authorizes special volunteer medical licenses for retired nurses.	J. Shunney/P. Martel	
40--483	Nevada League of Cities and Municipalities	<del>Revises provisions governing the responsibilities of underground facility owners and operators upon notification of excavation or demolition near a subsurface installation.</del>	D. Campbell	NDEP
40--492	Assemblywoman Koivisto	Makes various changes concerning health care facilities that employ nurses.	B. Sorenson	
18--508	Lieutenant Governor <a href="#">AB 91</a>	Authorizes State Treasurer to securitize the revenue stream produced by the Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement.	D. Williams/M. Azzarelli	NTPC
514	Assemblyman Bobzien	Establishes new penalties for illegal dumping on public lands.	D. Campbell	NDEP
536	Senator Beers	Provides for centralized administration of professional licensing boards.	L. Sands/G. Savage/J. Middaugh/B. Sorenson	State and local health authorities/CCMS/NSMA/professional associations

20--537	Senator Beers	Provides that county business licenses become effective 30 days after filing of the application unless the county objects.	A. Qazi	
562	Assemblywoman Weber	Establishes the Office of Faith-Based and Community initiatives.	OCDPHP	
564	Assemblywoman Weber	Provides for the implementation of integrated pest management programs in schools.	S. Goode/V. Raman	
40--600	Assembly Committee on Commerce and Labor <a href="#">AB 16</a>	Provides for disclosure of certain information to EMTs regarding the results of source tests of their patients.	R. Chetelat	
54--607	Senator Wiener <a href="#">SB 17</a>	Makes various changes concerning medical records.	S. Smith/Staff	
614	Senator Cegavske	Requires identification of person who sells scrap metal for recycling to reduce theft of certain metals.	D. Campbell	NDEP
682	Assemblyman Hardy	Makes various changes concerning the monitoring of lead exposure in children in this State.	M. Bergtholdt/K. Zupnik	CLPPP
739	Senator Copening	Requires recycling of motor vehicle tires.	D. Campbell	NDEP
741		Requires recycling containers in certain locations.	D. Campbell	NDEP
775	Assemblyman Settlemeyer	Revises provisions relating to franchise agreements concerning trash removal in certain counties.	G. Savage/D. Campbell	NDEP
808	<b>Senate Committee on Health and Education</b>	<b>Revises provisions relating to emergency services and care.</b>		
809	<b>Senate Committee on Health and Education</b>	<b>Revises provisions relating to immunizations for children.</b>		
812	Assemblywoman Leslie	Revises provisions governing the taxation of tobacco products.		
827	Assemblyman Denis	Extends provisions relating to certain physical examinations		

		<b>given to children in schools.</b>		
<b>828</b>	<b>Senator Breeden</b>	<b>Makes various changes concerning reports of sentinel events.</b>		
<b>833</b>	<b>Assemblyman Christensen</b>	<b>Revises provisions governing landlords and tenants.</b>		
<b>837</b>	<b>Assembly Committee on Government Affairs</b>	<b>Revises provisions governing fees and taxes.</b>		
<b>842</b>	<b>Senator Parks</b>	<b>Provides for implementation of a circuit breaker on property taxes.</b>		
<b>844</b>	<b>Senator Parks</b>	<b>Revises provisions governing communicable disease testing, treatment and control.</b>		
<b>845</b>	<b>Senator Parks</b>	<b>SCR: Urges providers of health care to provide routine testing for the Human Immunodeficiency Virus.</b>		
<b>858</b>	<b>Assembly Committee on Health and Human Services</b>	<b>Makes various changes relating to public health and safety.</b>		
<b>861</b>	<b>Assemblywoman Parnell Joint Requester: Assemblywoman Smith, Senator Lee</b>	<b>Establishes an Oral Health Program.</b>		

## SOUTHERN NEVADA HEALTH DISTRICT

### Bill Draft Request:

### Healthy dwellings for Residents of Counties with Populations exceeding 500,000 persons

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AN ACT relating to the authority of a health department or district board of health located in an area with a population greater than 500,000 persons to promulgate regulations, take enforcement actions, and create an administrative hearing process to ensure enforcement of laws and regulations that protect the public health and safety associated with the condition of rental dwellings and to recover costs for administering such a program.

**ABSTRACT:** Authorities are granted to Health Departments or District Boards of Health located in counties or districts with populations over 500,000 people, as outlined in Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) Chapter 439-*Administration of Public Health*, for such departments or districts to write regulations and take enforcement actions to protect residents from unhealthy conditions in their areas of jurisdiction.

The Southern Nevada Health District wishes to create a formal regulatory system for inspection, remedy, and recovery of associated administrative costs when it is necessary for their agents to take enforcement action in rental dwellings where housing-related health hazards have been caused or allowed to develop. Housing-related health hazards are defined as any biological, physical, or chemical source of exposure or condition either in, or immediately adjacent to, housing that can adversely affect human health.

This regulatory program will outline the authority of Southern Nevada Health District agents to write violations and take enforcement actions to protect residents from unhealthy conditions in rental properties. The regulations will address housing-related health hazards as defined above. An Administrative Hearing Officer process will be established to adjudicate cases of documented violations of the regulations. The Hearing Officer can issue penalties and corrective actions to the violators as part of the hearing process, when administered under the provisions of the Nevada Revised Statutes. Penalties collected, as determined by the Hearing Officer, based on a predetermined penalty schedule, shall be used to defray the investigative, enforcement, laboratory, remediation, administrative, and educational costs of governing the program.

**JUSTIFICATION:** The Southern Nevada Health District is often called upon by partner agencies and jurisdictions to respond to rental properties with conditions that pose a health hazard to the occupants. Health district staff is able to respond within the limits of statutes that address public nuisances, including NRS 444, which is specific to sanitation and solid waste, and NRS 445A which is specific to public accommodations, including hotels, motels and transient lodging.

Enabling legislation will allow the health district to specifically address rental properties posing public health hazards to tenants through an established regulatory process.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** Currently the health district does not have a means for recouping costs when conducting this type of an investigation into a rental property. Jurisdictions within Clark County have explored the possibility of establishing an inspection and regulatory system which would be funded by fees from rental properties and associations. These initiatives have met resistance from the professional rental associations. The assertion of these associations is the burden for funding a regulatory program would fall on those that maintain their properties.

The proposed bill draft request would shift the financial responsibility only to those properties not adequately maintaining health and safety standards and would allow the health district to recoup costs and ensure compliance with corrective action orders.