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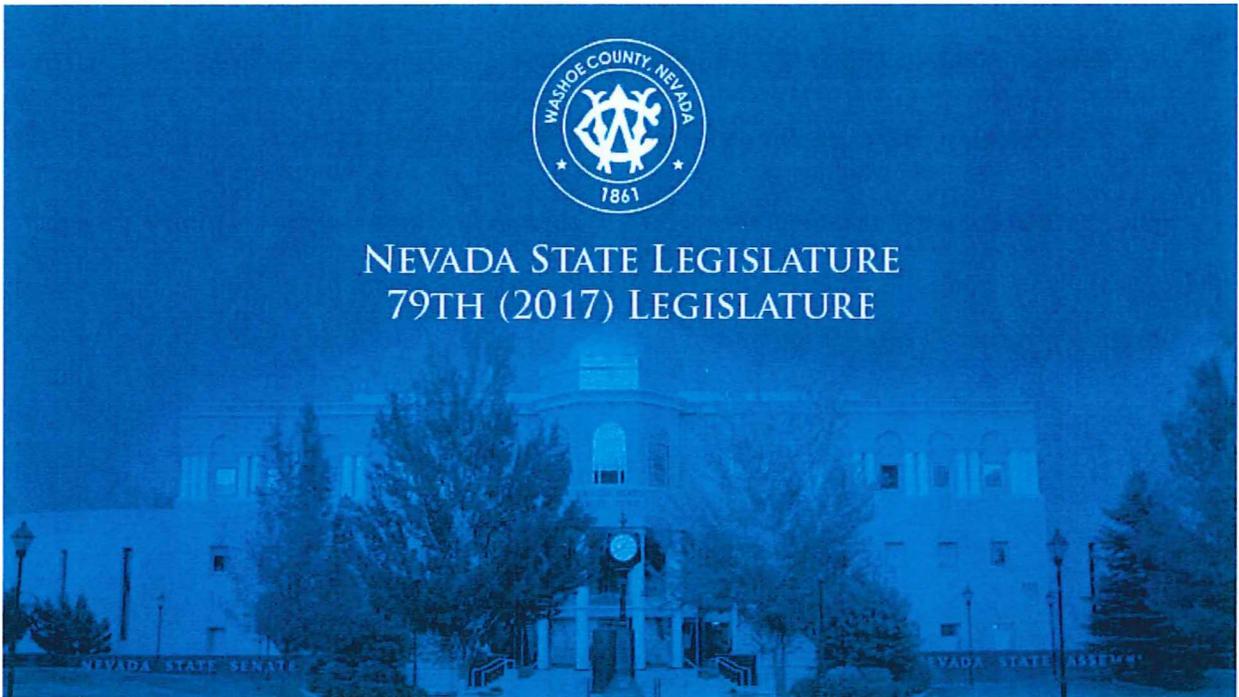




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Fiscal impact to Washoe County

New costs to the county

Bill	FY 17-18	FY 18-19	FY 19-20	Future Biennia
AB97	\$ 1,642,000.00	\$ 1,342,000.00	\$ 1,342,000.00	\$ 3,284,000.00
AB472			\$ 45,000.00	\$ 90,000.00
SB79	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 40,500.00	\$ 41,500.00	\$ 86,000.00
SB176		\$ 75,000.00	\$ 175,000.00	\$ 350,000.00
Total:	\$ 1,682,000.00	\$ 1,557,500.00	\$ 1,603,500.00	\$ 3,810,000.00

There are 21 bills that have minimal impact to the county, or the impact cannot be accurately determined at this time.

There are 30 bills that could have a future fiscal impact on the county.

Estimated New Revenue for the county

Bill	FY 17-18	FY 18-19	FY 18-19	Future Biennia
AB169	\$ 1,000,000 - 2,000,000	\$ 1,000,000 - 2,000,000	\$ 1,000,000 - 2,000,000	\$ 2,000,000 - 4,000,000
AB519	\$ 1,700,000			
SB519	\$ 15,608			

There are 5 bills that Washoe County can apply to receive a portion of a state appropriation.

There are 3 bills that passed that will reduce the costs to the county.

There are 2 bills that will likely have additional revenue to the county.

The 5 bills below allow for additional revenue to Washoe that cannot determine how much will be raised

- AB319- Allows an additional \$1 per recording of documents
- SB176- Allows for the increase to the E911 charge from \$0.25 to \$1
- SB182- Allows sheriff to charge for serving eviction notices
- SB305- Allows for an increase to document recording fees from \$3 up to \$6
- SB487- Sets rates for allowable fees for marijuana establishments





Highlights of the 2017 Nevada Legislative Session

SB487: Revises provisions relating to sales of marijuana and related products.

- Allows for the state to tax 15% at cultivation and 10% of the sale of marijuana. Of that money collected by the state a total of \$5,000,000 will be set aside to cover the costs of all local governments to be reimbursed for their costs. The county can collect a license tax for the regulation of the marijuana establishments that can be collected by a flat fee, percentage of the gross revenue or a combination of the two. The amount that is imposed by the county cannot equal more than 3% of the establishments' gross revenue. The county can also collect a one-time flat fee for a business application for a marijuana establishment. Also confirms that the county cannot enact or enforce any ordinance which is more restrictive than what the state has allowed relating to the cultivation of marijuana, types of products sold, transportation of marijuana, identification cards, training or certification to work in any marijuana establishment or other such regulations. (outlined in SB344)

SB344: Revises previous provisions relating to the labeling, packaging and advertising of marijuana.

- Establishes state standards for packaging and restrictions for the production of marijuana and marijuana products. Restricts any marijuana infused product to appeal to children, they are not able to contain cartoon images, balloon or toys with limited exceptions. The packaging and labeling cannot be modeled after products currently consumed or marketed towards children, including candy. If the products has packaging on the inside for more than one products sold at a time, such as cookies or brownies, the packaging must not be transparent. The labeling is required to show the amount of THC in the product, must state "Keep out of reach of children", list all ingredients, any potential allergens and total weight of the product. On any product sold by a dispensary there must be a label which states "This is a marijuana product". The bill restricts the amount of marijuana that can be sold, it must be sold as a single package and the size will be dependent upon the concentration of THC in said product. Requires any establishments selling marijuana to post health impacts from use of marijuana. There are restrictions on the types of advertising allowed, including what can be shown in any advertisement and the location of any advertisement for an establishment. Also does not allow for local governments to create restrictions more stringent or in conflict with the state regulations created by the bill.

AB422: Revises provisions relating to the use of marijuana.

- Transfers the responsibility of the regulation from the Department of Health and Human Services to the Department of Taxation. Makes changes to the registration cards for medical marijuana patients as well as ensuring that those patients do not go above the legal limits for possession of marijuana for medical use.



AB97: Revises provisions relating to evidence collection from and the reimbursement of payment for forensic medical examinations of victims of sexual assault.

- Requires that any sexual assault forensic evidence (SAFE) kit is to be submitted to a forensic lab 30 days from when it is collected. Allows for the reimbursement for the collection of the kits for either 10 kits or up to \$10,000 whichever is less. Requires that the SAFE kits be tested 120 days from when they are received by the forensic lab. Once the kit is tested the DNA profile obtained must be submitted to the State DNA Database and CODIS. Requires an annual report to the Legislature regarding the testing of the SAFE kits. Includes a \$3,000,000 allocation to the Attorney General's office to distribute for assisting with the current backlog of kits.

SB176: Revises provisions relating to public safety.

- Allows for the county commissioners to increase the collection for the Enhanced-911 from \$0.25 to \$1 per phone line. These funds are able to also be used to purchase and maintain portable recording devices and vehicular recording devices. There will be a change to the advisory committee who develops the plan for the Enhanced-911 program. There will be a requirement to include a representative from the sheriff, police department, any court which employs marshals within the county. The Board of County Commissioners will have to approve and establish an ordinance for the development of a 5- year master plan for the Enhanced-911 program. The board of county commissioners shall reduce any unencumbered balance in the fund by the end of the fiscal year to not exceed \$5,000,000. Requires any uniformed peace officer who routinely interacts with the public to wear a portable recording device while on duty. This will include the sheriff's office, local police departments and court marshals. The recordings must be maintained for not less than 15 days.

AB297: Requires certain local governments to designate sites for persons to meet in order to complete the sale of personal property that was initiated on the Internet.

- The board of county commissioners is required to designate at least one sheriff's office to provide a zone for trading of e-commerce. There is a release of any liability of what occurs at the "e-commerce zones" for both the county and sheriff's office. The bill only requires that there be a specific area designated for the transfer with signage to notify the public, the area can be monitored, either by a person or video, but that is all at the discretion of the board of county commissioners.

AB384: Revises provisions governing the consideration of the criminal history of an applicant for employment by the State or a county, city or unincorporated town.

- Eliminates the ability to ask on an applicant for employment about their criminal record. Also restricts what on an applicant's criminal history can be considered and how, such as when it occurred, severity of the crime and if it applies to the position. Peace officers, firefighters and court personnel are excluded from the provisions of the bill.



SB361: Revises provisions related to domestic violence.

- Allows for an employee who has been employed for more than 90 days to receive leave time if they, a family member or household member has been the victim of domestic violence. An employee is entitled to 160 hours of leave (paid or unpaid) during a 12 month period. It must be used on domestic violence events that have happened in the past 12 months. The time can be used consecutively or intermittently. There are some restrictions for how that time can be used, such as diagnosis, care or treatment from the event, court proceedings or creating a safety plan. The county can require documentation to confirm or support the reason for the requested leave. Documents would include a police report, copy of an application for a protection order or other documents. The county will have to maintain these records for a 2 year period and submit them to the Labor Commission if requested. The county will need to make reasonable accommodations to not create any undue hardship for the employee who is a victim, which can be things like a transfer, change to schedule and other such accommodations. The county cannot discharge, discipline or discriminate in any manner the employee for taking such leave.

SB352: Revises provisions governing the taxation of property rebuilt after an event proclaimed an emergency or disaster by the Governor.

- States that if a single-family residence is destroyed or damaged in a flood, fire, earthquake or other event for which the Governor has proclaimed a state of emergency or declaration of disaster, the owner can to apply to the county assessor for an exemption of a portion of the assessed value of the single-family residence. The resident will need to meet the qualification of any repair or rebuild to be eligible. Should the residence qualify this would allow them to keep the depreciation rate of the original property which was lost or partially damaged in the emergency. The bill does apply retroactively, however the abatement applies going forward only and no rebates will be given. If the property is sold the abatement does not apply to that new buyer.

SB462: Authorizes a board of county commissioners to create a committee to review general improvement districts.

- Authorizes a board of county commissioners to create a committee to review general improvement districts in the county. The committee of 5 to be compiled of a member of the Senate and Assembly who represent the county, and appointed members from the board of county commissioners, senate and assembly. Establishing certain requirements for such a committee to determine if the general improvement district is serving the purpose for which it was created, is still needed and ensure they see no other problems related there to. Requiring a general improvement district to submit certain requested information to such a committee for review.

AB519: Makes an appropriation to the Secretary of State to provide grants of money to the counties in this State for the purchase of voting machines.

- Creates appropriation through the Secretary of State's office for Washoe to receive up to \$1,700,000 for the purchase of voting machines. Of that, amount up to \$5,000 can be used for training purposes and up to \$35,000 for polling books.



SB57: Revises provisions relating to the Nevada Commission for the Reconstruction of the V&T Railway.

- Removes Washoe, Douglas and Lyon Counties from the Nevada Commission for the Reconstruction of the V & T Railway.

AB375: Allows the imposition of certain taxes, fees, rates, charges, levies and assessments in a county to fund approved flood management projects of a flood management authority based on the recommendations of a flood control project needs committee.

- The Flood Management Authority can create a committee to review funding for a flood program under their jurisdiction. The committee shall consist of no less than 14 members. The board of county commissioners shall appoint a member to that board. The committee will meet as soon as is reasonable after all members have been appointed. They will have until April 2, 2018 to submit either recommendations for one or more of the taxes, fees, rates, charges, levies, assessments or combination thereof to the flood management authority and the board of county commissioners. If the recommendation is one that would be administered by the flood management authority they will then work to begin enforcing it and creating any inter-local agreements needed. If the recommendation is one that will need to be a ballot question then the board of county commissioners shall submit the ballot questions to appear at the General Election on November 6, 2018. If the measures pass in the General Election then the board of county commissioner shall impose the recommendations in accordance with the ballot question. If the committee cannot come to a consensus then they will need to submit a report explaining what the committee did and why they were unable to reach a consensus.

AB379: Authorizers certain local governments to create parks, trails and open space district.

- Allows for the creation of a parks, trails and open spaces district. The district can be created by a county, city, combination of the two (if the district is in more than more jurisdiction) or through petition from a property owner. If a district is proposed then a service plan will be created by the county for consideration. Included in the service plan will be their proposed revenue source which can be a special assessment, fee, ad valorem taxes or any combination of the three. The details will be presented at a public hearing for consideration. They must also be presented to the county planning commission or regional planning commissioner for a recommendation to be presented to the county commission at their public meeting for consideration of approving the district. A decision on whether or not to approve the plan must be made within 20 days from the public hearing. Approval of the district is the decision of the Board of County Commissioners. If the service plan is approved and before the district is created the clerk shall send out a mailer all the potentially impacted property owners of the district. Property owners can protest the creation of the district, but must be done in writing. An ordinance will be required for the creation of the district. The ordinance will include the service plan and the district's ability to issue bonds and borrow money. The creating governing board shall appoint the original trustees of the district, after that the members will be elected. The county can choose to continue to financial support the district after its creation.



AB21: Makes various changes relating to elections.

- Requires that if a court finds a candidate for office fails to meet any qualifications required for the office according to the Constitution or laws of this state, their name must not appear on any ballot for election unless the statutory deadline for making changes to a ballot has passed. If the deadline has passed a sign must be posted at all appropriate polling places to advise voters that the person is disqualified. If the person's name does stay on the ballot the person is disqualified from entering upon the duties of the office for which they were a candidate. Members or members-elect of the Legislature are only able to be disqualified from duties if they are deemed disqualified from their House. A person who willfully files a declaration of candidacy which contains false statements are guilty of a gross misdemeanor, this does not apply to anyone filing for federal office or office of the district attorney.

AB478: Revises provisions relating to elections.

- Changes the last day to register to vote by mail is now the fourth Tuesday preceding the primary or general election. The last day to register to vote by computer is the Thursday before early voting begins. Makes exception that if a person registers less than 20 days prior to the election a sample ballot is not required to be mailed out.

SB144: Revises provisions relating to elections.

- 1. Allows anyone who is at least 17 but not yet 18 and who has lived in Nevada for more than 30 days, to preregister to vote. Once they turn 18 and are eligible to vote and the Clerk will issue them a voter registration card as soon as practicable. The forms for preregistration will be kept by the county clerk separate from other registrations. 2. If a person has good cause they can request for a field registrar to come to their home to help them preregister to vote. 3. Sets rules for accepting overseas voter registration, as well as a process if overseas military members do not receive their ballot. 4. Allows for a signature card for those voters who are unable due to physical limitations to sign their own name when voting. Polling locations will need to keep a count of the number of signature cards used for early voting.

SB59: Revises provisions relating to the program to monitor prescriptions for certain controlled substances.

- Allows for a member of law enforcement to report any encounter with what they believe to be a violation involving prescription of a controlled substance. Requires the coroner to report any death determined to be the result of using prescribed controlled substances. This information will be uploaded to a state database for review by the state.



SB539: Revises provisions relating to prescription drugs.

- Requires the state to create a list of the most prescribed medications in the state and then divide those into 2 categories, one for diabetes and a second category for everything else. Requires tracking of the most significant price increases to be tracked for the previous 2 years. Requires the pharmaceutical benefits managers to submit to the state the reason for the increase in the drug price for any drugs listed as essential diabetes prescriptions. Any non-profit who receives cost saving discounts to assist people with drug prices must share how much that is with the state. Requires any insurance company to notice insured a year or two if possible if any of the drugs that fall under the essential diabetes drugs will be removed from the formulary. Requires pharmaceutical sale representatives to be listed with the state in order to do business in the state. The bill also creates different penalties to anyone who does not share the required information with the state.

SB552: Revises provisions governing the cost of certain coverage under the Public Employees' Benefits Program.

- Removes the abatement and shifts the entire portion of the Public Employees' Benefit Program benefits costs to the county. This will be implemented in a step rate process, with the state paying 100% of the difference in FY17-18, 75% in FY18-19, 50% in FY19-20, 25% in FY20-21 and every year going forward will be paid by the county.

SJR6: Proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution to provide for certain increases in the minimum wage.

- Beginning on January 1, 2021 the hourly employee rate must be \$9.40 per hour worked. The rate will increase by \$1.15 every year after that until it reaches \$14.00 per hour worked.

SJR14: Proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution to revise certain provisions relating to property taxes.

- Proposing to amend the Nevada Constitution to revise provisions relating to the assessment and taxation of property which is sold or transferred and to require the Legislature to enact a "Senior and Disabled Taxpayers Protection Act" to provide property tax assistance to senior citizens and persons with disabilities.



Bills that the board of county commissioners must take action on:

AB241	Requires baby changing tables be included in certain buildings and facilities used by the public. (BDR 22-861)	
Department:	CSD	
Requires a change to our building code to adopt by ordinance that all public bathroom have baby changing stations.		
Approved on June 1, 2017. Chapter 276	Effective June 1, 2017, for the purpose of adopting regulations and performing any other administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act and on October 1, 2017, for all other purposes.	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB297	Requires certain local governments to designate sites for persons to meet in order to complete the sale of personal property that was initiated on the Internet. (BDR 20-765)	
Departments: Office of the County Manager and Sheriff's Office		
The board of county commissioners is required to designate at least one sheriff's office to provide a zone for trading of e-commerce. There is a release of any liability of what occurs at the "e-commerce zones" for both the county and sheriff's office. The bill only requires that there be a specific area designated for the transfer with signage to notify the public, the area can be monitored, either by a person or video, but that is all at the discretion of the board of county commissioners.		
Approved on May 22, 2017. Chapter 65	Effective October 1, 2017	There will be a minimal impact to the county for the production of the materials needed to create the designated e-commerce zone(s).
AB375	Allows the imposition of certain taxes, fees, rates, charges, levies or assessments in a county to fund approved flood management projects of a flood management authority based on the recommendations of a flood control project needs committee. (BDR S-473)	
Department: Office of the County Manager		
The Flood Management Authority can create a committee to review funding for a flood program under their jurisdiction. The committee shall consist of no less than 14 members. The board of county commissioners shall appoint a member to that board. The committee will meet as soon as is reasonable after all members have been appointed. They will have until April 2, 2018 to submit either recommendations for one or more of the taxes, fees, rates, charges, levies, assessments or combination thereof to the flood management authority and the board of county commissioners. If the recommendation is one that would be administered by the flood management authority they will then work to begin enforcing it and creating any inter-local agreements needed. If the recommendation is one that will need to be a ballot question then the board of county commissioners shall submit the ballot questions to appear at the General Election on November 6, 2018. If the measures passes in the General Election then the board of county commissioner shall impose the recommendations in accordance with the ballot question. If the committee cannot come to a consensus then they will need to submit a report explaining what the committee did and why they were unable to reach a consensus.		
Approved on June 12, 2017. Chapter 557	Effective June 12, 2017. Section 1 of this act expires by limitation on April 2, 2018.	There could be some fiscal impact to the county, but at this time there is no way to determine what that impact would be.

SB42 Revises provisions related to justices of the peace. (BDR 1-394)		
Departments: Office of the County Manager and Justice Courts		
Changes the meeting from July to December for setting the salary, following an election of a justice of the peace, that the Board of County Commissioners will set the minimum compensation of the respective justices.		
Approved on May 18, 2017. Chapter 26	Effective May 18, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB377 Revises provisions relating to indigent defense. (BDR 14-1005)		
Department: Office of the County Manager		
Creates the Nevada Right to Counsel Commission which will consist of 13 members. Washoe County will submit 2 nominees for the Commission and the serving member will be chosen by the Governor. There are qualification that determine a persons eligibility to serve on the Commission which should be considered in determining the nominees from the county. There are no terms for the appointments and such members shall serve until a successor is appointed. If a vacancy does occur, it must be filled by the same means the original member was appointed. If the appointee is a county employee they must be relieved from their duties to serve and with their regular compensation. The Commission will be conducting a study so as to make recommendations to the Legislature to improve the provisions of indigent defense services. The will be reviewing things such as standards for caseload, minimum standards for indigent defense services, funding and other recommendations in accordance to the findings from the study.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 460	Effective July 1, 2017, and expires by limitation on June 30, 2019.	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB407 Creates the Nevada Clean Energy Fund. (BDR 58-1133)		
Department: Office of the County Manager		
Creates a state board of which the county will submit 3 nominees for the board, of which the Governor will appoint 1 of them to the Nevada Clean Energy Fund. The nominees should have expertise related to renewable energy, economic development, banking, law, finance, or other relevant matters. The focus of the group will be to create a work program to serve and support clean energy projects from single family residences to commercial to governmental or any other projects that can advance clean energy. Will also be offering financial support of some projects to assist in their implementation if approved. There will be a required annual report to the public of all activities and expense related information.		
Approved on June 5, 2017. Chapter 388	Effective on June 5, 2017 for approval for the purpose of adopting regulations and performing any preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and on July 1, 2017 for all other purposes.	No fiscal impact to the county.



Bills that the board of county commissioners can take action on:

AB5 Provides for the creation of certain local improvement districts. (BDR 22-233)		
Department: CSD		
Allows for the creation of special districts to focus on energy efficiency improvement projects. These would be private projects and not owned by the municipality. However if the county did want to create such districts there would need to be new zoning and development codes created to address the district.		
Approved on June 1, 2017. Chapter 267	Effective July 1, 2017	Potential cost for the changes to the code, but would be minimal.
AB65 Revises provisions relating to medical care for indigent persons. (BDR 38-438)		
Departments: Comptroller, Social Services and Treasury		
Allows for the county to use money from the indigent persons fund for medical assistance to provide supplemental payments to public hospitals in the county.		
Approved on May 27, 2017. Chapter 184	Effective May 27, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB179 Revises provisions governing massage therapy. (BDR 54-766)		
Departments: CSD and Sheriff's Office		
Authorizes the county to license and regulate a massage, reflexology and structural integration establishment that in more stringent that the regulations adopted by the State.		
Approved on June 1, 2017. Chapter 275	Effective June 1, 2017, for the purpose of adopting regulations and performing any other preparatory tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and on July 1, 2017, for all other purposes.	No fiscal impact on the county.
AB203 Revises provisions governing cemeteries. (BDR 40-723)		
Departments: CSD, District Attorney- Civil, District Court and Health District		
Allows a family member or the district attorney to bring forward to the court a cemetery owner who is not maintaining the cemetery. In such a case the county has the ability to accept transfer of title, and if so then must operate and maintain the cemetery.		
Approved on May 23, 2017. Chapter 77	Effective May 23, 2017	No fiscal impact on the county
AB246 Revises provisions relating to the creation of a local improvement district and tax increment area. (BDR 22-705)		
Department: Office of the County Manager		
Allows for 2 or more governing bodies to jointly create a taxable general improvement district.		
Approved on June 1, 2017. Chapter 288	Effective July 1, 2017.	No fiscal impact to the county.

AB321 Authorizes a county or city to require a hosting platform and certain users of hosting platforms to provide certain reports and information to a county or city. (BDR 20-1138)		
Department: Office of the County Manager		
The board of county commissioners may adopt an ordinance that would require a hosting platform (Airbnb) to submit quarterly reports. The report submitted to the county would include things such as the number of booking, number of units available, average length of stay and revenue collected. The ordinance must include subpoena rights for the county to ensure that they can collect any data necessary to ensure that the properties are not being rented in violation of state law.		
Approved on June 4, 2017. Chapter 347	Effective July 1, 2017	There could be a fiscal impact to the county for the changes in code to enable the quarterly reports.
AB365 Revises provisions relating to marriage. (BDR 11-1020)		
Department: Clerk		
The clerk can, at their discretion, establish a program to provide for the issuance of a certificate of vow renewal. The clerk will also need to establish a course for the marriage officiants to become authorized. A cost can be charged to participate in the course not to exceed \$100. If such a program is created the clerk shall issue a certificate of vow renewal to couples who request it. The clerk can collect a fee for the vow renewal which would be the same cost as a marriage license.		
Approved on May 27, 2017. Chapter 191	Effective July 1, 2017	If the course and licensing program were created by the Clerk they are unsure if the fee would be enough to cover the cost and therefore could result in a fiscal impact to the county if it is not enough is collected to cover the cost of the course.
AB379 Authorizes certain local governments to create a parks, trails and open space district. (BDR 25-211)		
Departments: Clerk, CSD and Office of the County Manager		
Allows for the creation of a parks, trails and open spaces district. The district can be created by a county, city, combination of the two (if the district is in more than more jurisdiction) or through petition from a property owner. If a district is proposed then a service plan will be created by the county for consideration. Included in the service plan will be their proposed revenue source which can be a special assessment, fee, ad valorem taxes or any combination of the three. The details will be presented at a public hearing for consideration. They must also be presented to the county planning commission or regional planning commissioner for a recommendation to be presented to the county commission at their public meeting for consideration of approving the district. A decision on whether or not to approve the plan must be made within 20 days from the public hearing. Approval of the district is the decision of the Board of County Commissioners. If the service plan is approved and before the district is created the clerk shall send out a mailer all the potentially impacted property owners of the district. Property owners can protest the creation of the district, but must be done in writing. An ordinance will be required for the creation of the district. The ordinance will include the service plan and the districts ability to issue bonds and borrow money. The creating governing board shall appoint the original trustees of the district, after that the members will be elected. The county can choose to continue to financial support the district after its creation.		
Approved on June 5, 2017. Chapter 403	Effective July 1, 2017	There will be a fiscal impact to the county if such a district is sought to be created.
AB380 Revises provisions relating to real property. (BDR 10-340)		
Department: Recorder		
If an owner of real property opens any part of their property for use by the public for pedestrian access, they may record in the county recorders office the description of the property and portion that is open to public access.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 485	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.

SB60 Revises provisions governing Medicaid payments for ground emergency medical transportation services. (BDR 38-411)		
Department: TMFPD		
Allows for an increase in capitation payments to Medicaid managed care plans for ground emergency medical transportation services which are provided by a governmental provider. If created the county must pay the nonfederal share of the expenditures of the program.		
Approved on June 4, 2017. Chapter 356	Section 13 effective June 4, 2017. Sections 1 to 12, inclusive, effective June 4, 2017 for the purpose of performing any tasks necessary to obtain the approval of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for a program established pursuant to section 11 of this act. For all other purposes sections 1 to 10, inclusive, and 12 effective on the date on which a program to provide increased capitation payments to governmental providers for ground emergency medical transportation services established pursuant to section 11 of this act is approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services; and section 11 effective on the date that a program to provide increased capitation payments to governmental providers for ground emergency medical transportation services established pursuant to that section is approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.	As TMFPD does few of these transportations there is not expected to be a fiscal impact on the county.
SB105 Authorizes and requests the Governor to proclaim "Indigenous Peoples Day." (BDR 19-115)		
Department: Office of the County Manager		
Authorizes and requested by the Governor that August 9 be proclaimed as "Indigenous Peoples Day".		
Approved on May 23, 2017. Chapter 87	Effective May 23, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.

SB176 Revises provisions relating to public safety. (BDR 23-666)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, Office of the County Manager, Public Defender, Sheriff's Office		
Allows for the county commissioners to increase the collection for the Enhanced-911 from \$0.25 to \$1 per phone line. These funds are able to also be used to purchase and maintain portable recording devices and vehicular recording devices. There will be a change to the advisory committee who develops the plan for the Enhanced-911 program. There will be a requirement to include a representative from the sheriff, police department, any court which employs marshals within the county. The Board of County Commissioners will have to approve and establish an ordinance for the development of a 5- year master plan for the Enhanced-911 program. The board of county commissioners shall reduce any unencumbered balance in the fund by the end of the fiscal year to not exceed \$5,000,000. Requires any uniformed peace officer who routinely interacts with the public to wear a portable recording device while on duty. This will include the sheriff's office, local police departments and court marshals. The recordings must be maintained for not less than 15 days.		
Approved on May 25, 2017. Chapter 129	Effective May 25, 2017 for the purpose of adopting regulations and performing any preliminary administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and on July 1, 2018, for all other purposes.	There will be an estimated \$175,000 fiscal impact to the county for both the Sheriff's office as well as the District Attorney. The increase to the E911 fund will also need to take into account the cost for City of Reno and City of Sparks.
SB199 Revises provisions relating to alcoholic beverages. (BDR 52-519)		
Department: CSD		
Creates an "estate distillery" and makes regulations around the operation of such a business. Will require some modifications to the county code.		
Approved on June 5, 2017. Chapter 393	Effective October 1, 2017	There could be minimal impact associated with the code change, but not expected to be much of a fiscal impact.
SB429 Establishes provisions relating to urban agriculture. (BDR 22-1078)		
Departments: CSD and the Office of the County Manager		
Allows for the creation of an urban agricultural element in the master plan.		
Approved on June 1, 2017. Chapter 260	Effective July 1, 2017.	There could be a fiscal impact if the county chooses to make changes to the master plan and development code changes.
SB305 Revises provisions regarding certain proceedings concerning children. (BDR 38-926)		
Departments: District Court, Recorder and Social Services		
Requires the court to appoint an attorney to represent a child in certain cases. If a public defender or legal aid attorney is not available, an attorney can be appointed who would then be entitled to compensation. A guardian ad litem for the child cannot be appointed attorney for the child. Board of County Commissioners can charge \$6 (currently \$3) in recording fees to use for compensation attorney fees.		
Approved on May 31, 2017. Chapter 242	Effective October 1, 2017	There could possibly be an increase in compensation for appointed attorneys, however the County also has the option of increasing the recording fee to cover such costs. Therefore we are unable to determine if there would be a fiscal impact to the county at this time.

SB462		
Authorizes a board of county commissioners to create a committee to review general improvement districts. (BDR 20-496)		
Departments: CSD and Office of the County Manager		
Authorizes a board of county commissioners to create a committee to review general improvement districts in the county. The committee of 5 to be compiled of a member of the Senate and Assembly who represent the county, and appointed members from the board of county commissioners, senate and assembly. Establishing certain requirements for such a committee to determine if the general improvement district is serving the purpose for which it was created, is still needed and ensure they see no other problems related there to. Requiring a general improvement district to submit certain requested information to such a committee for review.		
Approved on May 31, 2017. Chapter 251	Effective on July 1, 2017, and expires by limitation on June 30, 2021.	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB487		
Revises provisions relating to sales of marijuana and related products. (BDR 32-818)		
Departments: CSD and Office of the County Manager		
Allows for the state to tax 15% at cultivation and 10% of the sale of marijuana. Of that money collected by the state a total of \$5,000,000 will be set aside to cover the costs of all local governments to be reimbursed for their costs. The county can collect a license tax for the regulation of the marijuana establishments that can be collected by a flat fee, percentage of the gross revenue or a combination of the two. The amount that is imposed by the county cannot equal more than 3% of the establishments' gross revenue. The county can also collect a one-time flat fee for a business application for a marijuana establishment. Also confirms that the county cannot enact or enforce any ordinance which is more restrictive than what the state has allowed relating to the cultivation of marijuana, types of products sold, transportation of marijuana, identification cards, training or certification to work in any marijuana establishment or other such regulations. (outlined in SB344)		
Approved on June 12, 2017. Chapter 541	Effective July 1, 2017	There will be an increase in revenue to the county that cannot be determined at this time.



Bills for Washoe County to be aware of:

AB1		
Requires the payment of certain undergraduate fees and expenses of the dependent child of a public employee who is killed in the performance of his or her duties. (BDR 34-69)		
Department: Human Resources		
If a county employee is killed in the line of duty, their dependent child would be eligible for the board of regents to pay for registration fees, laboratory fees and expenses related to textbooks and other related course material towards an undergraduate degree within their school system.		
Approved on May 15, 2017. Chapter 19	Effective July 1, 2017	No Fiscal Impact to the County
AB4		
Repeals provisions relating to reciprocal enforcement of support orders with foreign countries or political subdivisions. (BDR 11-175)		
Department: District Attorney- Civil		
Deletes NRS 135.035 which relates to the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act. This bill repeals the provisions governing the declaration of a foreign country or political subdivision as a state because the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act requires such countries to be treated as foreign countries and not as states.		
Approved on April 7, 2017. Chapter 8	Effective July 1, 2017	No Fiscal Impact to the County
AB6		
Revises provisions governing exemptions from the requirement to obtain a state business registration. (BDR 7-247)		
Department: CSD		
Removes the exemption so that a business whose primary purpose is to create or produce motion pictures will now have to obtain a state business license.		
Approved on May 19, 2017. Chapter 35.	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB8		
Revises provisions governing the collection of delinquent municipal utility charges. (BDR 21-323)		
Department: Treasurer		
Allows for cities to create an ordinance to place delinquent public utilities charges onto a the properties tax roll from sewage to now include all utility services provided by a city. The county treasurer must approve the description of each parcel and the amount of delinquent charges that are filed.		
Approved on May 23, 2017. Chapter 88	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.

AB13 Revises provisions governing the annual fee for conducting business in Nevada. (BDR 7-3)		
Department: CSD		
Changes the name of a license issued by the Secretary of State from "State Business Registration" to "State Business License".		
Approved on March 30, 2017 Chapter 8	Effective July 1, 2017	No Fiscal impact to the County
AB21 Makes various changes relating to elections. (BDR 24-2)		
Department: Registrar of Voters		
Requires that if a court finds a candidate for office fails to meet any qualifications required for the office according to the Constitution or laws of this state, their name must not appear on any ballot for election unless the statutory deadline for making changes to a ballot has passed. If the deadline has passed a sign must be posted at all appropriate polling places to advise voters that the person is disqualified. If the persons name does stay on the ballot the person is disqualified from entering upon the duties of the office for which they were a candidate. Members or members-elect of the Legislature are only able to be disqualified from duties if they are deemed disqualified from their House. A person who willfully files a declaration of candidacy which contains false statements are guilty of a gross misdemeanor, this does not apply to anyone filing for federal office or office of the district attorney.		
Approved on June 9, 2017. Chapter 502	Effective June 9, 2017, for the purpose of performing any preparatory administrative tasks necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and on July 1, 2017, for all other purposes.	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB28 Revises provisions relating to the Commission on Judicial Discipline. (BDR 1-395)		
Departments: Justice Courts		
Allows for the Commission on Judicial Discipline to order a justice of peace to forfeit their office if they fail to attend the required instruction without a reasonable excuse. Justices will receive 30 days notice to respond for the incomplete instruction and hold a public hearing before they are ordered to forfeit their office.		
Approved on May 23, 2017. Chapter 79	Effective May 23, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB29 Revises provisions governing off-highway vehicles. (BDR 18-220)		
Department: County Manager's Office		
Will create a survey of local governments to develop for recommendation of current law which, prohibits the operation of off-highway vehicles on a paved highway unless authorized by a governmental entity. As well as is that is how the law should be interpreted or amended accordingly.		
Approved on June 9, 2017. Chapter 504	Effective June 9, 2017, for the purpose of adopting regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and on July 1, 2017, for all other purposes.	No fiscal impact to the county.

AB32 Revises provisions governing pest control. (BDR 49-176)		
Department: CSD		
The county will be required to obtain a certificate from the Department of Agriculture if we are to engage in pest control. Staff who engage in pest control will be required to get a license or any unlicensed employee will need to be under the supervision of a certificate holder.		
Approved on May 23, 2017. Chapter 80	Sections 2 to 41, inclusive, and 43, 44, and 45 of this act effective on July 1, 2017. Section 42 of this act becomes effective on the date on which the provisions of 42 U.S.C. § 666 requiring each state to establish procedures under which the state has authority to withhold or suspend, or to restrict the use of professional, occupational and recreational licenses of persons who: (a) Have failed to comply with the subpoena or warrant relating to a proceeding to determine the paternity of a child or to establish or enforce an obligation for the support of a child; or (b) Are in arrears in the payment for the support of one or more children, are repealed by the Congress of the United States.	May be a future fiscal impact for the certificate and training of personnel.
AB34 Revises provisions relating to government land. (BDR 26-179)		
Department: CSD		
Allows for money in the Revolving Account be used for any required environmental assessment of the land and other such uses. Creates a priority for activities of the State Land Use Planning Agency to be provisions of technical assistance to a county where such assistance is requested. The administrator shall develop information useful to land use planning available to the county. Reduces the number of appraisals to one for any state land before offering it for sale or lease. Expands the degree of consanguinity to the third degree.		
Approved on May 26, 2017. Chapter 145	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB38 Revises provisions relating to bail. (BDR 14-399)		
Departments: District Court, District Attorney- Criminal, Justice Courts and Public Defender		
Allows for notices relating to bail to be emailed between the courts and the issuers of the bail.		
Approved on May 22, 2017. Chapter 69	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county

AB45 Revises provisions relating to public office. (BDR 24-426)		
Department: Registrar of Voters		
The bill makes changes to close of registration dates by expanding them if done online. However, if done less than 20 days before the election a sample ballot does not have to be sent out and requires groups who requested voter registration forms to return any unused forms to the registrar. Will now require any non-governmental agency who mails out voter registration to make note in the mailings that it is not coming from the Secretary of State or the registrar of voters. Requires candidates for office to include in their yearly campaign reports the balance of the account. Candidates will now report campaign contributions quarterly for the year of their election and will be due the 15th day of the following month, these reports will also require the inclusion of the fund balance. During non-election years for candidates they will need to file an annual report of contributions received, money spend and ending fund balance.		
Approved on June 9, 2017. Chapter 505	Sections 1 to 23, inclusive, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30 to 38, inclusive, and 39 of this act effective on July 1, 2017. Sections 23.5, 23.7, 24.2, 24.5, 25.2, 25.4, 26.5, 27.1, 27.11 and 27.2 of this act effective on: (a) January 1, 2018, for purposes of adopting any regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and (b) January 1, 2019, for all other purposes.	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB50 Revises provisions relating to the imposition of certain fees, civil penalties and administrative fines by the State Environmental Commission. (BDR 40-181)		
Department: Health District		
Allows for the State Environmental Commission to establish fees for violations relating to public water systems.		
Approved on May 22, 2017. Chapter 70	Effective May 22, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county
AB52 Establishes provisions relating to dissolved mineral resources. (BDR 48-258)		
Department: CSD		
Establishes provisions governing the exploration for dissolved mineral resources. Will now be required to obtain a permit from the Division of Minerals in order to drill a dissolved mineral exploration well. Creates requirements for the reasonable amount of loss water in the process that is acceptable.		
Approved on June 9, 2017. Chapter 507	Effective June 9, 2017, 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 on January 1, 2018, for all other purposes.	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB54 Revises provisions relating to reports of certain accidents or motor vehicle crashes by employers. (BDR 53-160)		
Departments: Comptroller and CSD		
Increases reporting to the Division of Industrial Relations for any accident or motor vehicle crash, to better report the types of injuries received from the incident.		
Approved on May 8, 2017. Chapter 13	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.

AB57 Revises provisions relating to coroners. (BDR 20-375)		
Department: Coroner's Office		
Requires the coroner to make a reasonable effort to contact the next of kin who is authorized to order the burial or cremation of the deceased. The bill states that the coroner may notify parents, guardians, adult children or custodians of the deceased of their death and provide them with a copy of the death report.		
Approved on May 24, 2017. Chapter 108	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB69 Revises provisions relating to autonomous vehicles. (BDR 43-246)		
Department: CSD		
The county is not able to impose any tax, fee or other requirement for the use of automated driving systems or autonomous vehicles. The state will be creating the regulations for the use of such systems.		
Approved on June 16, 2017. Chapter 608	Effective June 16, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB80 Revises provisions governing redevelopment in certain cities. (BDR 22-416)		
Departments: Office of the County Manager and Treasurer		
Allows for the City of Reno to adopt an ordinance which allows them to extend their redevelopment plan by 60 years. The redevelopment area must include all taxable property within the area and no taxable property can be excluded. The redevelopment area can be increased, but not decreased. RDA I under current law would expire in 2028. The primary reason the City of Reno brought the bill forward was to give the City additional time to restructure existing debt.		
Approved on June 9, 2017. Chapter 508	Effective June 9, 2017	Fiscal impact to the county will be if RDA I is extended the loss of property tax revenue to the County General Fund will continuer to go to RDA I an additional 15 years to 2043 rather than the current 2028 end date.
AB94 Repeals the prospective expiration of the NV Grow Program. (BDR S-217)		
Department: Office of the County Manager		
Makes permanent the NV Grow Program, which offers assistance to existing small businesses.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 430	Sections 1 to 7, inclusive, and 10 of this act become effective June 8, 2017. Sections 8 and 9 of this act become effective on July 1, 2017.	No fiscal impact to the county.

AB97 Revises provisions relating to evidence collected from and the reimbursement of payment for forensic medical examinations of victims of sexual assault. (BDR 15-538)		
Department: Sheriff's Office		
Requires that any sexual assault forensic evidence (SAFE) kit is to be submitted to a forensic lab 30 days from when it is collected. Allows for the reimbursement for the collection of the kits for either 10 kits or up to \$10,000 whichever is less. Requires that the SAFE kits be tested 120 days from when they are received by the forensic lab. Once the kit is tested the DNA profile obtained must be submitted to the State DNA Database and CODIS. Requires an annual report to the Legislature regarding the testing of the SAFE kits. Includes a \$3,000,000 allocation to the Attorney Generals' office to distribute for assisting with the current backlog of kits.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 431	Sections 1, 1.3, 2, 3.3 to 4, inclusive, 5, 6, and 8 of this act effective on October 1, 2017. Sections 1.7, 2.5, 3.1 and 4.5 of this bill effective on January 1, 2021.	Fiscal impact to the county will be approximately \$1,642,000 for the first year and \$1,342,000 every year after that. The additional \$300,000 the first year is for necessary upgrades to the crime lab. \$721,000 is for personnel and \$621,000 is for the consumables needed for the testing.
AB102 Revises certain provisions relating to the proper venue in civil actions. (BDR 2-591)		
Department: District Court		
If complaint, petition or motion is not in the proper county, it can be heard unless the defendant demands in writing that the trial be moved to the proper county. Family cases can be moved if neither party currently resides in the origination county or to the county of residence where the subject child resides or by order of the court.		
Approved on May 22, 2017. Chapter 64	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB107 Provides for the sealing of records relating to eviction under certain circumstances. (BDR 3-689)		
Departments: District Court and Justice Courts		
A summary eviction case will be sealed automatically if denied or dismissed by the court, or 31 days after tenant affidavit filed that a landlord failed to file complaint following. There are additional circumstances by which a case can be sealed.		
Approved on May 22, 2017. Chapter 52	Effective October 1, 2017	There could be some potential impact depending on how many cases need to be sealed.
AB113 Requires certain employers to make certain accommodations for a nursing mother. (BDR 23-7)		
Departments: CSD and Human Resources		
Required to create a reasonable break time and a clean and private place for an employee who is a nursing mother to express breast milk.		
Approved on June 1, 2017. Chapter 271	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county. Washoe County already does this.

AB122 Revises provisions related to the manner in which the State Board of Examiners awards compensation to certain victims of crime. (BDR 16-305)		
Department: District Attorney-Criminal		
Removes requirement that the victim must be a citizen of the United States to receive compensation.		
Approved on June 6, 2017. Chapter 418	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB125 Revises provisions relating to court interpreters. (BDR 1-297)		
Departments District Court and Justice Courts		
Allows for court interpreters to be registered in addition to certified.		
Approved on May 30, 2017. Chapter 211	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB128 Exempts certain unpaid individuals from the requirement to obtain licensure as a process server. (BDR 54-700)		
Departments: District Court, Justice Courts and Sheriff's Office		
States that a person who is a private investigator without compensation, on behalf of a litigant who is an individual and not a business, or does not engage in the actives more than 3 time each calendar year are not required to be licensed.		
Approved on May 25, 2017. Chapter 126	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB145 Extends the statute of limitations for certain civil actions for damages for injuries incurred as a child as a result of sexual abuse or pornography. (BDR 2-584)		
Department: District Attorney- Civil		
Extends the statute of limitations for victims of sexual abuse for a civil action that recovery of damages are being sot to 20 years from when the victim turns 18 years of age.		
Approved on May 24, 2017. Chapter 111	Effective May 24, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB161 Revises provisions relating to certain rental agreements. (BDR 10-733)		
Department: CSD		
Requires a rental agreement for a single-family residence to be signed by an authorized agent or notarized. Can help CSD when called in for a "squatter" situation.		
Approved on June 4, 2017. Chapter 345	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB169 Revises provisions governing certain fees collected by county recorders. (BDR 20-832)		
Department: Recorder		
Creates a standardized recording fee when recording non-conforming documents with the recorders officer.		
Approved on May 26, 2017. Chapter 162	Effective October 1, 2017	Increase of funds to the county around \$1,000,000 to \$2,000,000 annually.

AB181 Revises provisions governing the restoration of civil rights for certain ex-felons. (BDR 14-720)		
Departments: District Courts, Registrar of Voters		
Allows for certain persons convicted of a felony charge to have their voting rights restored as well as serve on a jury in a civil action, after sentencing is complete.		
Approved on June 4, 2017. Chapter 362	Effective January 1, 2019	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB204 Provides that marriage licenses and certificates of marriage may include the name to be used by each spouse after the marriage. (BDR 11-743)		
Departments: Clerk and Recorder		
Allows for a marriage license or certificate of marriage to contain the names selected for use by each after the marriage.		
Approved on June 1, 2017. Chapter 285	Effective January 1, 2018	Depending on volume to the Clerk's office there is a chance that a 3rd party vendor would be needed and that will cost somewhere between \$10,000 and \$15,000. The bill allows for a charge to be incurred by those who register for the program, those could potentially cover the cost of the vendor.
AB205 Revises provisions relating to cremation. (BDR 40-649)		
Department: Coroner's Office and Health District		
Allows for the use of "alkaline hydrolysis" to be used by crematoriums if proper steps are taken through the state.		
Approved on June 5, 2017. Chapter 406	Effective June 5, 2017, for the purpose of adopting regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act, and on January 1, 2018, for all other purposes.	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB207 Revises provisions governing juries. (BDR 1-648)		
Departments: District Court and Justice Courts		
Includes additional sources for a jury pool to include DETR and NV Energy. Requires the following information be retained for those who do serve on juries: name, occupation, address and race. Requires those statistics be submitted to the state annually.		
Approved on June 12, 2017. Chapter 549	Effective July 1, 2017	There will be a fiscal impact which cannot be quantified, but would come from additional staff time to implement.
AB209 Revises provisions governing the forfeiture of water rights. (BDR 48-308)		
Department: CSD		
Modifies the laws governing the forfeiture of ground water rights, provides for additional consideration in those basins that are over appropriated and are declared as critical management area. In these basins, the State Engineer can grant extensions of time to prevent forfeiture in a more liberal manner and up to 3 years.		
Approved on May 26, 2017. Chapter 147	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.

AB214 Establishes a program to increase participation by certain demographic groups in clinical trials. (BDR 40-707)		
Department: Health District		
If the county conducts clinical trials of drugs or medical devices shall adopt a policy concerning the identification and recruitment of person who are members of underrepresented demographic groups to participate in those trials.		
Approved on May 26, 2017. Chapter 142	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB223 Revises provisions relating to energy efficiency programs. (BDR 58-660)		
Departments: Office of the County Manager		
Requires the Public Utilities Commission to work towards an expenditure of not less than 5% of total expenditures related to energy efficiency and conservation programs to be directed to low-income customers of the electric utility.		
Approved on May 26, 2017. Chapter 175	Effective May 26, 2017, for the purpose of adopting regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative tasks necessary to carry out the provisions of this act, and on July 1, 2017, for all other purposes.	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB229 Revises provisions governing domestic relations. (BDR 11-701)		
Department: Clerk		
Makes marriage licenses and a certificate of marriage gender neutral.		
Approved on May 26, 2017. Chapter 167	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB232 Establishes provisions governing changing the name of a minor. (BDR 3-811)		
Department: District Court		
Sets forth a process for the name change of a minor.		
Approved on May 26, 2017. Chapter 161	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB235 Enacts the Uniform Commercial Real Estate Receivership Act. (BDR 3-714)		
Department: Treasurer		
Provides direction and clarification regarding instances when a receiver is to be appointed for real property used for commercial purposes. There may be times that the provisions could affect property that we are pursuing delinquent taxes for, by staying our collection efforts.		
Approved on May 31, 2017. Chapter 232	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB239 Enacts the Revised Uniform Fiduciary Access to Digital Assets Act. (BDR 59-687)		
Departments: District Attorney- Civil, District Court, Justice Courts, Public Administrator and Public Guardian		
Adopts a new uniform law that allows personal representatives of a ward or a dead persons executors, guardians and administrators to access digital assets like social media pages and email accounts.		
Approved on May 19, 2017. Chapter 38	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.

AB243 Revises provisions relating to criminal convictions of victims of sex trafficking and involuntary servitude. (BDR 14-444)		
Department: District Court		
Allows for the sealing of records for certain crimes to those who were victims of sex trafficking or involuntary servitude.		
Approved on June 1, 2017. Chapter 277	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB249 Requires the State Plan for Medicaid and all health insurance plans to provide certain benefits relating to contraception. (BDR 38-858)		
Department: Human Resources		
Requires the county health insurance plan cover family planning services include contraception, the first prescription filled will be for 3 months and after that will be a 9 month supply. After that if the prescription is not changed, the prescription will be filled with a 12 month supply. The bill specifies which methods of contraception must be covered by the health insurance plans.		
Approved on June 12, 2017. Chapter 553	Effective January 1, 2018	There could be a fiscal impact to the county due to increased premiums, or potential overpayment of prescription coverage if employee leaves before end of plan year.
AB254 Revises provisions governing guardianships. (BDR 13-595)		
Departments: District Court and Public Guardian		
Allows for the supervision of a trust to a district court having jurisdiction of the guardianship of the ward, who is the beneficiary of the trust.		
Approved on May 31, 2017. Chapter 233	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB267 Revises provisions governing industrial insurance. (BDR 53-650)		
Departments: District Attorney- Civil and Comptroller		
Made changes to the compensation of the heart and lung provisions of industrial insurance for firefighters and police officers. Has made the requirements to qualify for benefits through their insurance less stringent.		
Approved on June 12, 2017. Chapter 551	Effective October 1, 2017	There will likely be a fiscal impact, however it cannot be determined, there could be attorney costs.
AB276 Revises provisions relating to employment practices. (BDR 53-289)		
Department: Human Resources		
This bill makes it unlawful to discriminate against a person for discussing or inquiring about their wages or wages or other individuals. This applies to private employers as county employee salary information is already public.		
Approved on June 3, 2017. Chapter 324	Effective June 3, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.

AB278 Revises provisions relating to the support of children. (BDR 11-892)		
Departments: District Attorney- Civil and District Court		
The presiding judge of the Family Division of the Second Judicial District Court or their designee and a district attorney in Washoe County appointed by the Nevada District Attorneys Association, which will be appointed to a committee who will be reviewing the process of collecting child support and submitting a report for any suggested changes. The first meeting has to happen on or before September 1, 2017 and they must submit any recommendations to the Administrator by July 1, 2018.		
Approved on June 4, 2017. Chapter 371	Sections 4 to 8, inclusive, and 14 of this act effective June 4, 2017. Sections 1, 2, 3 and 9 to 13, inclusive, of this act effective on the effective date of the regulations adopted by the Administrator of the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services of the Department of Health and Human Services establishing the guidelines in this State for the support of one or more children pursuant to section 8 of this act.	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB296 Revises provisions governing the drafting of legislative measures. (BDR 17-956)		
Department: Office of the County Manager		
Makes changes to how the Legislative Counsel shall process bill draft requests. If a bill draft request is submitted without sufficient detail it will now be assigned a number. However, priority for working on any drafting requests received will be given to those requests for which sufficient information is submitted.		
Approved on June 5, 2017. Chapter 381	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB304 Revises provisions relating to autism. (BDR 38-363)		
Department: Human Resources		
Expands those who are qualified to received treatment and insurance assistance to people who are considered to be on the autism spectrum through the age of 19.		
Approved on June 1, 2017. Chapter 280	Effective July 1, 2017	Potential fiscal impact that insurance rates may change.
AB337 Revises provisions governing termination of the employment of members of the National Guard. (BDR 36-1134)		
Department: District Court		
Includes a person being a member of the National Guard of another state as illegal to terminate an employee for needing to go to training or is called to active service. If violated the National Guard member can file a civil suit against their employer with District Court.		
Approved on May 29, 2017. Chapter 203	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.

AB366 Creates four behavioral health regions in this State and a regional behavioral health policy board for each region. (BDR 39-987)		
Department: Health Department		
Creates the Washoe Behavioral Health Region as one of the four new behavioral health regions. A policy board of 13 will be created, 6 of which will be appointed by the Governor, 3 members will be appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly, 3 members appointed by the Majority Leader of the Senate, 1 member of the Legislature as appointed by the Legislative Commission. Each member will serve a term of 2 years and can be reappointed.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 479	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB381 Revises provisions governing prescription drugs covered by certain policies of health insurance. (BDR 57-698)		
Department: Human Resources		
Makes it so that health insurance providers may only move a prescription drug tier to a lower tier. If they are moving the prescription to a higher tier they must offer other options to the insureds.		
Approved on June 1, 2017. Chapter 281	Effective January 1, 2019	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB384 Revises provisions governing the consideration of the criminal history of an applicant for employment by the State or a county, city or unincorporated town. (BDR 23-33)		
Departments: District Attorney- Civil and Human Resources		
Eliminates the ability to ask on an applicant for employment about their criminal record. Also restricts what on an applicant's criminal history can be considered and how, such as when it occurred, severity of the crime and if it applies to the position. Peace officers, firefighters and court personnel are excluded from the provisions of the bill.		
Approved on June 3, 2017. Chapter 340	Effective January 1, 2017	There is a possible fiscal impact in the future for the county.
AB388 Making an appropriation for the Women's Health Connection Program. (BDR S-915)		
Departments: Health Department and Social Services		
Creates an appropriation of funds for FY17-18 and FY18-19 to assist with the cost of the Women's Health Connection Program.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 432	Effective July 1, 2017	Could result in funding assistance for Washoe County.
AB392 Revises provisions concerning certain communications relating to elections. (BDR 24-85)		
Department: Registrar of Voters		
States that if a communication is published in support or opposition to a candidate and the communication includes official contact information of a governmental entity that the communication must also clearly disclose that the communication is not endorsed by and is not an official publication of the State of Nevada.		
Approved on May 26, 2017. Chapter 133	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.

AB397 Makes an appropriation for grants to local governmental entities and nonprofit organizations for certain family planning services. (BDR S-856)		
Department: Health District		
Creates State appropriation of \$500,00 for each FY17-18 and FY18-19 to be issued via grant to local governments or nonprofit organization to be used for family planning services.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 433	Effective July 1, 2017.	Could result in funding assistance for Washoe County.
AB399 Establishes the Nevada State Infrastructure Bank and revises provisions relating to certain public works. (BDR 35-1129)		
Department: CSD and the Office of the County Manager		
Establishes the Nevada State Infrastructure Bank, which will provide loan and other financial assistance to local governments for the development, construction, repair, improvement, maintenance, decommission, operation and ownership of certainty transportation facilities and utility infrastructure. Will require an agreement between the county and a private entity to submit an application to the bank for such a loan or financial assistance.		
Approved on June 13, 2017. Chapter 575	Sections 37.8, 37.9, 39 of this act effective June 13, 2017. Sections 1 to 37.7, inclusive, and 38 of this act effective June 13, 2017, for the purposes of establishing the Nevada State Infrastructure Bank and appointing the Board of Directors, and for all other purposes, on the date on which the Director of the Department of Transportation notifies the Governor and the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau that sufficient money is available to capitalize and carry out the business of the Nevada State Infrastructure Bank created by section 20 of this act.	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB413 Makes various changes relating to electronic documents and electronic signatures. (BDR 12-597)		
Department: District Court		
Creates clarification for the court for the use of electronic wills and trusts.		
Approved on June 9, 2017. Chapter 511	Sections 56 to 60, inclusive, and 63 of this act effective June 9, 2017. Sections 1 to 28, inclusive, and 61 of this act effective on July 1, 2017. Sections 29 to 55, inclusive, and 62 of this act effective: (a) June 9, 2017, for the purpose of adopting any rules and regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and (b) On July 1, 2018, for all other purposes.	No fiscal impact to the county.

AB418 Revises provisions relating to elections. (BDR 24-750)		
Departments: District Attorney- Civil, Registrar of Voters		
Clarifies the means by which a recount of votes will be handled as well as clarifying the means by which an election can be contested.		
Approved on June 4, 2017. Chapter 348	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB422 Revises provisions relating to the use of marijuana. (BDR 40-983)		
Departments: CSD, Office of the County Manager and Sheriff's Officer		
Transfers the responsibility of the regulation from the Department of Health and Human Services to the Department of Taxation. Makes changes to the registration cards for medical marijuana patients as well as ensuring that those patients do not go above the legal limits for possession of marijuana for medical use.		
Approved on June 12, 2017. Chapter 540	Sections 56.5, 56.9, and 70 of this act effective June 12, 2017. Sections 1 to 56, inclusive, and 57 to 69, inclusive, of this act effective June 12, 2017 for the purposes of adopting any regulations and performing any preparatory administrative tasks necessary to carry out the provisions of this act, and on July 1, 2017, for all other purposes. Section 56.7 of this act effective on January 1, 2020.	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB424 Revises provisions governing the determination of death. (BDR 40-1025)		
Department: Coroner's Office		
A determination of death does not require the consent of the person's authorized representative.		
Approved on June 2, 2017. Chapter 315	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB428 Revises provisions governing the acquisition and use of opioid antagonists. (BDR 40-620)		
Department: Health District		
Allows for a registered pharmacist to prescribe an opioid antagonist with or without a prescription.		
Approved on June 5, 2017. Chapter 398	Effective June 5, 2017, 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 on July 1, 2017, for all other purposes.	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB439 Revises provisions governing taxation of the sale, storage, use or other consumption of certain property by a licensed veterinarian. (BDR 32-1017)		
Department: Office of the County Manager and Treasurer		
Changes a licensed veterinarian from a retailer to a consumer for the purpose of tangible personal property used, furnished or dispensed in providing medical care of treatment to animals as part of their professional services.		
Approved on May 27, 2017. Chapter 187	Effective July 1, 2017	Cannot be determined, could result in additional sales and use tax.

AB458 Revises provisions governing industrial insurance. (BDR 53-489)		
Department: Comptroller		
Allows an injured employee to have an independent medical examination for a claim of compensation that is open, or under dispute. The cost of the independent examination will be paid by the insurer. Employees are limited to one independent medical examination per calendar year. Expands vocational rehabilitation counseling when requested by an employee. Increases the medical benefits to be paid from a claim from \$300 to \$800. There are also changes made to the calculation should a lump sum be paid out.		
Approved on May 30, 2017. Chapter 216	Effective July 1, 2017	There would be increased costs for claims and there would be an increase in the length of time a claim remains open.
AB471 Creates the Nevada Office of Cyber Defense Coordination. (BDR 43-917)		
Department: Technology Services		
If the county identifies the detection of, investigation of or response to a suspected or confirmed threat or attack on our security, that information does not fall under public record but may be disclosed to the Administrator of the Nevada Office of Cyber Defense Coordination.		
Approved on June 2, 2017. Chapter 307	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB464 Revises provisions governing certain reports required to be submitted by or to certain governmental entities. (BDR 22-542)		
Departments: Office of the County Manager		
Eliminates the requirement for the capital improvement plan submitted by the county to the Department of Taxation as well as the appropriate debt management commission submitted to the Legislature. The Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau can request the capital improvement report and must only be submitted if such a request is received.		
Approved on May 27, 2017. Chapter 192	Effective July 1, 2017.	There would be a savings to the county for the elimination of the delivery of the report to the Legislature and the Department of Taxation, which is minimal.
AB474 Makes various changes relating to drug overdoses and prescribing and using drugs. (BDR 40-1102)		
Department: Health District		
Requires reporting to the State Chief Medical Officer concerning case or suspected cases of drug overdose.		
Approved on June 16, 2017. Chapter 605	Effective June 16, 2017, for the purpose of adopting regulations and performing any other administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act and on January 1, 2018, for all other purposes.	No fiscal impact to the county.

AB478 Revises provisions relating to elections. (BDR 24-463)		
Department: Registrar of Voters		
Changes the last day to register to vote by mail is now the fourth Tuesday preceding the primary or general election. The last day to register to vote by computer is the Thursday before early voting begins. Makes exception that if a person registers less than 20 days prior to the election a sample ballot is not required to be mailed out.		
Approved on May 23, 2017. Chapter 94	Effective October 1, 2017.	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB512 Temporarily extends fee for the provision of specialty court programs. (BDR S-1214)		
Department District Court		
Extends the \$100 DUI fee for an additional 2 years to help fund provisions of the Specialty Court programs.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 446	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB519 Makes an appropriation to the Secretary of State to provide grants of money to the counties in this State for the purchase of voting machines. (BDR S-1238)		
Departments: Office of the County Manager and Registrar of Voters		
Creates appropriation through the Secretary of State's office for Washoe to receive up to \$1,700,000 for the purchase of voting machines. Of that, amount up to \$5,000 can be used for training purposes and up to \$35,000 for polling books.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 447	Effective July 1, 2017	Appropriation of funds up to \$1,700,000 to help with the purchase of new voting machines.
AJR2 Proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution to require the recognition of all marriages regardless of gender. (BDR C-690)		
Department: None		
All legally valid marriages would be treated equally under the law.		
Secretary of State. File #17	Return to 2019 Session	No fiscal impact to the county.
AJR10 Expresses opposition to the development of a repository for spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste at Yucca Mountain in the State of Nevada. (BDR R-1012)		
Department: None		
Askes President Trump not to pursue the repository for spent nuclear fuel at Yucca Mountain.		
Secretary of State. File #29	Effective May 23, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AJR14 Proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution to ensure access to affordable emergency medical care at reasonable rates to all persons in this State. (BDR C-1218)		
Department: None		
Constitution would state that all persons in the State have the right to receive medically necessary emergency services at a reasonable cost, that services cannot be denied if they do not have insurance or ability to pay for services.		
Secretary of State. File #46	Return to 2019 Session	No fiscal impact to the county.

ACR9 Directs the Legislative Commission to conduct an interim study concerning treating certain traffic and related violations as civil infractions. (BDR R-1064)		
Department: None		
Requires the Legislature to look at other states and options to determine if traffic violations should continue to be considered criminal, or if they should be viewed as civil infractions.		
Secretary of State. File #41		No fiscal impact to the county.
SB25 Revises provisions governing the organization and functions of the Office of the Attorney General relating to domestic violence and the fictitious address program. (BDR 18-385)		
Departments: Coroner's Officer, Sheriff's Office and Social Services		
Creates the Committee on Domestic Violence, to work on expanding awareness of domestic violence and assistance to programs who aid those who are victims of domestic violence as well as reviewing judicial process and options in relation to domestic violence. Will also review any deaths that are associated with domestic violence. They will submit a report to the Legislature on any comments or recommendations for their consideration.		
Approved on June 5, 2017. Chapter 382	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB26 Makes certain changes concerning governmental entities that contract with or invest in companies that boycott Israel. (BDR 27-418)		
Department: Office of the County Manager		
Would prohibit the county from contracting with companies that boycott Israel.		
Approved on June 2, 2017. Chapter 304	Effective June 2, 2017 for the purposes of adopting regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act, and on July 1, 2018, for all other purposes.	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB47 Makes various changes relating to the appropriation of water. (BDR 48-499)		
Department: CSD		
Requires State Engineer to prepare a water budget and calculate and maintain an inventory of ground water for each basin located in Nevada. The State Engineer will now need to send a final notice to an owner of water rights before the 30-day period to contest forfeiture of water rights.		
Approved on June 9, 2017. Chapter 517	Effective June 9, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB51 Makes various changes relating to the adjudication of vested water rights. (BDR 48-180)		
Department: CSD		
Makes various changes to the appropriation of water rights as related to stream or stream systems. It revises the requirements related to hydrological surveys for the determination of the water rights in a stream.		
Approved on May 26, 2017. Chapter 156	Effective May 26, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.

SB57 Revises provisions relating to the Nevada Commission for the Reconstruction of the V & T Railway. (BDR S-414)		
Department: Office of the County Manager		
Removes Washoe, Douglas and Lyon Counties from the Nevada Commission for the Reconstruction of the V & T Railway.		
Approved on May 22, 2017. Chapter 62	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB59 Revises provisions relating to the program to monitor prescriptions for certain controlled substances. (BDR 40-386)		
Departments: Coroner's Office and the Sheriff's Office		
Allows for a member of law enforcement to report any encounter with what they believe to be a violation involving prescription of a controlled substance. Requires the coroner to report any death determined to be the result of using prescribed controlled substances. This information will be uploaded to a state database for review by the state.		
Approved on May 30, 2017. Chapter 219	Effective July 1, 2017	There is believed to be a fiscal impact for both the Sheriff and Coroner's office for additional staff time, but cannot be determined at this time.
SB74 Revises provisions relating to water. (BDR 48-178)		
Department: CSD		
Requires that the supplier of water to prepare and adopt a plan of water conservation which now needs to be reviewed within 120 days.		
Approved on June 9, 2017. Chapter 520	Effective June 9, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB78 Revises provisions relating to local government financial administration. (BDR 31-403)		
Department: Office of the County Manager		
Allows for on or before July 1, 2018 the Committee on Local Government Finance to approve a plan to adopted by the county to eliminate transfers from an enterprise fund to subsidized the general fund of the county plan to reduce by at least 3.3% each fiscal year during the term of the plan the amount of transfers from the enterprise fund to the general of the county by subsidizing the general fund.		
Approved on May 27, 2017. Chapter 194	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB79 Revises provisions concerning the confidentiality of certain personal information of certain persons and entities. (BDR 20-400)		
Departments: Clerk, Recorder, Assessor, District Attorney- Criminal, Public Defenders		
Allows certain personal information to be kept confidential in the records of the county recorder, county clerk and county assessors office. A court order is required to qualify for information to be deemed confidential. This is expanding the confidentiality ability to certain court staff, District Attorney and Public Defender attorneys.		
Approved on June 1. 2017. Chapter 294	Effective October 1, 2017	There will be a fiscal impact to the county, but will be determined by how many people will request and receive court approval.

SB84 Makes various changes relating to ethics in government. (BDR 23-250)		
Department: Office of the County Manager		
Allows for a public officer or employee to file with the Ethics Commission the request for an advisory opinion related to their own past, present or future conduct under the statutory ethical standards.		
Approved on June 5, 2017. Chapter 384	Sections 1 to 15.5, inclusive, 16.5 to 30, inclusive, and section 31 effective on July 1, 2017. Sections 15.7 and 16 effective on January 1, 2018.	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB110 Revises provisions governing the process for a change of name. (BDR 3-142)		
Department: District Court		
If an applicant is applying for a name change to conform with their gender identity the court shall not require the change to be published in a newspaper for 3 weeks.		
Approved on May 24, 2017. Chapter 107	Effective May 24, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB117 Revises provisions relating to election accessibility. (BDR 24-547)		
Department: Registrar of Voters		
Requires that a separate line be available at polling places for those with disabilities who are not physically able to wait in line to vote. An officer at a polling place can allow a person to vote without waiting in line should a second line not be available. Washoe County already does this during elections.		
Approved on May 27, 2017. Chapter 195	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB122 Establishes a program to provide grants for family planning services. (BDR 40-630)		
Department: Health District		
Creates an account for family planning to be used for grants to local governmental entities and non-profit organizations for those who would otherwise have difficulty in obtaining such services.		
Approved on May 26, 2017. Chapter 164	Effective May 26, 2017 for the purpose of adopting regulations and performing any other administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act and on January 1, 2018, for all other purposes.	Could allow for the county to receive funds to help with family planning services from the state.
SB133 Revises the Uniform Deployed Parents Custody and Visitation Act. (BDR 11-571)		
Department: District Attorney- Civil		
The Uniformed Deployed Parents Custody and Visitation Act is changed to include civilian employees of the United States Department of Defense for the protections offered in the original act.		
Approved on May 26, 2017. Chapter 163	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB137 Revises provisions governing certain plans, programs and reports relating to veterans. (BDR 37-64)		
Department: Office of the County Manager		
Requires any state regulatory body who collects data on veterans include additional questions for collection, related to those who may have suffered sexual trauma while serving.		
Approved on June 4, 2017. Chapter 357	Effective June 4, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.

SB144 Revises provisions relating to elections. (BDR 24-300)		
Department: Registrar of Voters		
1. Allows anyone who is at least 17 but not yet 18 and who has lived in Nevada for more than 30 days, to preregister to vote. Once they turn 18 and are eligible to vote and the Clerk will issue them a voter registration card as soon as practicable. The forms for preregistration will be kept by the county clerk separate from other registrations. 2. If a person has good cause they can request for a field registrar to come to their home to help them preregister to vote. 3. Sets rules for accepting overseas voter registration, as well as a process if overseas military members do not receive their ballot. 4. Allows for a signature card for those voters who are unable due to physical limitations to sign their own name when voting. Polling locations will need to keep a count of the number of signature cards used for early voting.		
Approved on June 12, 2017. Chapter 548	Effective June 12, 2017 for the purpose of adopting any regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative tasks necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and on January 1, 2018, for all other purposes.	There could be a need for additional staff to accommodate extensions.
SB145 Revises provisions relating to energy. (BDR 58-54)		
Department: Office of the County Manager		
Requires the Public Utilities Commission to establish incentives for the installation of energy storage systems by customers. Requires the state to expand supporting infrastructure throughout the state for the use of electric vehicles.		
Approved on May 31, 2017. Chapter 239	Effective May 31, 2017 for the purpose of performing any preparatory administrative tasks necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and on July 1, 2017, for all other purposes. Sections 1 to 2, inclusive, of this act expire by limitation on December 31, 2025.	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB149 Revises provisions governing regional transportation commissions. (BDR 22-318)		
Department: Office of the County Manager		
Makes changes to the Regional Transportation Commission to allow for the cities Mayors to be among those who can be appointed to the commission.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 492	Effective June 8, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB159 Provides for the regulation of the sale of dextromethorphan. (BDR 40-543)		
Department: Office of the County Manager and Sheriff's Office		
Requires any person who purchases any material containing dextromethorphan, a common ingredient in cough syrup, to be above the age of 18. A local ordinance cannot be created that would conflict with this law.		
Approved on May 30, 2017. Chapter 221	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.

SB165 Makes various changes concerning the prevention and treatment of obesity. (BDR 40-791)		
Department: Health District		
Classifies "obesity" as a chronic disease. The school district will take height and weight measurements of a sample of pupils in grades 4, 7 and 10. Along with the health district the school district will determine how many pupils are needed to give a representative sample to determine obesity in children in Washoe County. This information will be collected and a statewide report will be presented to the Legislature.		
Approved on June 1, 2017. Chapter 257	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB167 Makes an appropriation for the creation and maintenance of school gardens. (BDR S-834)		
Department: Health District		
Gives a fiscal allocation for the creation and maintenance of school gardens.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 452	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB171 Requires certain pharmacies to post or provide written instructions for the safe disposal of unused drugs. (BDR 54-634)		
Department: Health District		
Requires pharmacies to post and provide in writing if requested, instructions concerning the safe disposal of unused drugs.		
Approved on June 3, 2017. Chapter 339	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB177 Revises provisions governing the assignment of certain defendants to a program for treatment of mental illness. (BDR 14-754)		
Departments: Animal Services, District Court		
Adds hoarding to the definition of mental illness for purposes of Mental Health Court.		
Approved on May 24, 2017. Chapter 160	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact of the county.
SB187 Makes an appropriation for the establishment of a fine arts museum in Las Vegas, Nevada, and the expansion of the Nevada Museum of Art in Reno, Nevada. (BDR S-267)		
Department: Office of the County Manager		
Creates an allocation of \$1,000,000 which will be distributed by the Interim Finance Committee which can be applied for by the Nevada Museum of Art in Reno as well as others.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 454	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB188 Revises provisions prohibiting certain discriminatory acts. (BDR 18-106)		
Departments: District Attorney, Human Resources, Juvenile Services and Social Services		
Expands the terms covered as protective groups against discrimination to include sexual orientation and gender identity or expression along with religion, disability, race and ethnicity.		
Approved on May 27, 2017. Chapter 197	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.

SB197 Extends the deadline for issuing certain bonds for certain environmental improvement projects in the Lake Tahoe Basin. (BDR S-493)		
Departments: CSD and Office of the County Manager		
Extends the Environmental Improvement Program for the State of Nevada to 20 years to now expire on June 30, 2030.		
Approved on May 18, 2017. Chapter 32	Effective May 18, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB202 Revises various provisions of the Charter of the City of Sparks. (BDR S-503)		
Department: Registrar of Voters		
Requires that those running for Municipal Judge in Sparks, must be members of the Nevada State Bar. Creates ward only voting for the Sparks City Council elections.		
Approved on May 24, 2017. Chapter 113	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB229 Revises provisions relating to guardianships. (BDR 13-87)		
Departments: District Court, Public Guardian		
Allows for a person to request to nominate someone as their appointed guardian and sets forth a process to do so. Requires the court to determine if the person meets the designation requirements.		
Approved on June 15, 2017. Chapter 599	Effective June 15, 2017 for the purpose of adopting regulations or performing any other preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and January 1, 2018, for all other purposes.	There could be a potential fiscal impact with possible need for additional staff.
SB230 Makes various changes relating to judgments. (BDR 2-512)		
Departments: Justice Courts		
Increases the percentage of a judgement debtor's disposable earnings.		
Approved on June 3, 2017. Chapter 329	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB233 Requires the State Plan for Medicaid and certain health insurance plans to provide certain benefits. (BDR 38-817)		
Departments: Health District, Human Resources and Office of the County Manager		
Allows for a higher deductible or co-pay to be available for contraceptives that are not covered under a patients insurance. Requires coverage of hormone replacement therapy without any co-pay or deductible by insurance companies. Requires Medicaid to cover additional preventative services that private insurance plans currently offer.		
Approved on June 3, 2017. Chapter 323	Effective January 1, 2018.	No fiscal impact to the county.

SB244 Revises provisions relating to historic preservation. (BDR 33-515)		
Department: CSD		
Makes changes to any land development should historic items be found during the process of developing that land.		
Approved on June 9, 2017. Chapter 523	Section 39 effective June 9, 2017. Sections 38.3, 38.5 and 38.7 effective on July 1, 2017. Sections 1 to 38, inclusive, effective: June 9, 2017 for the purpose of adopting regulations and performing any other preparatory tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and on July 1, 2018, for all other purposes.	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB245 Revises provisions governing county treasurers. (BDR 20-599)		
Department: Treasurer		
Expands the authority of a county treasurer to use a facsimile signature.		
Approved on May 30, 2017. Chapter 222	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB246 Revises provisions relating to public works. (BDR 28-667)		
Department: CSD		
Extends Construction Management At Risk (CMAR) until June 30, 2021 instead of expiring on June 30, 2017.		
Approved on June 12, 2017. Chapter 562	Sections 5, 6 and 7 effective June 12, 2017. Sections 1 to 4, inclusive, effective on July 1, 2017. Sections 1 to 3, inclusive, of this act expire by limitation on June 30, 2021.	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB253 Establishes the Nevada Pregnant Workers' Fairness Act to provide protections to female employees and applicants for employment who are affected by a condition of the employee or applicant relating to pregnancy, childbirth or a related medical condition. (BDR 53-773)		
Department: Human Resources		
Requires a workplace to adequately protect pregnant women's employment by providing reasonable accommodations in the workplace related to the pregnancy. The reasonable accommodations shall be made for both the pregnancy and for up to a year after the birth of the child. Also creates a protection for women who are pregnant from losing their jobs or from being discriminated against when applying for a job or promotion.		
Approved on June 2, 2017. Chapter 319	Effective June 2, 2017 for the purpose of providing the notice required pursuant to section 19 of this act; and on October 1, 2017, for all other purposes.	There is no anticipated fiscal impact to the county as we already work to accommodate our employees as provided in the legislation.
SB262 Revises provisions concerning payments for treatment relating to mental illness or the abuse of alcohol or drugs. (BDR 57-455)		
Department: Human Resources		
Makes changes to the payment from insurance companies for treatment centers for mental health or the abuse of alcohol or drugs must be made from the insurer to the treatment center if in Nevada.		
Approved on June 4, 2017. Chapter 359	Effective January 1, 2018	No fiscal impact to the county.

SB270 Revises provisions relating to water. (BDR 48-359)		
Department: CSD and Office of the County Manager		
Allows for a claimant of vested water rights to submit their proof of claim to the State Engineer on or before December 31, 2027. If no such claim is made or proved the claim shall be deemed abandoned.		
Approved on June 9, 2017. Chapter 525	Sections 1, 2, 5 to 8 and 13, inclusive, and 11 effective on July 1, 2017. Sections 3, 4, 9, 10 and 12 effective on January 1, 2028.	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB281 Revises provisions relating to real property. (BDR 32-99)		
Department: Treasurer		
Relates to properties which are sold at foreclosure due to delinquent property taxes. Allows for the appropriate of excess proceeds to go to certain waste managements liens on the property and the common interest community association if they recorded a notice of default. States that if a unit owner association does receive funds from the foreclosure they are not able to pursue funds from the owner of the unit. Does allow for a unit-owner's association to pay on behalf of the owner the delinquent property or utility charges that those expenses can be assessed against the owner.		
Approved on June 3, 2017. Chapter 331	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB291 Revises provisions relating to health records. (BDR 54-350)		
Department: Coroner's Office		
Requires that the custodian of health care records make such records available to the medical examiner or coroner in the performance of their duties.		
Approved on June 5, 2017. Chapter 415	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB308 Revises provisions relating to motor vehicle insurance. (BDR 43-938)		
Department: Comptroller		
Increases the minimum coverage of motor vehicle insurance. The coverage for county vehicles is already above this, but could be helpful is any of the county vehicles are in accidents that are the fault of others.		
Approved on June 1, 2017. Chapter 258	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB313 Revises provisions relating to local public libraries. (BDR 33-804)		
Department: Library		
Creates a library foundation, which is a nonprofit corporation, for the purpose of supporting local libraries. They can accept private funds and donations for which libraries can apply to receive assistance with lease, lease-purchase agreement of real or personal property.		
Approved on May 24, 2017. Chapter 119	Effective May 24, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county, could result in funding assistance to our libraries.

SB314 Revises provisions related to the installation of certain systems for obtaining wind energy. (BDR 22-482)		
Department: CSD and Office of the County Manager		
Allows the county to only deny a request for installation of wind energy if: represents a danger to health, safety or welfare or if it is not compatible with the character of the area in which the system would be located.		
Approved on May 31, 2017. Chapter 244	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB344 Revises various provisions relating to the labeling, packaging and advertising of marijuana. (BDR 40-451)		
Departments: CSD and Office of the County Manager		
Establishes state standards for packaging and restrictions for the production of marijuana and marijuana products. Restricts any marijuana infused product to appeal to children, they are not able to contain cartoon images, balloon or toy with limited exceptions. The packaging and labeling cannot be modeled after products currently consumed or marketed towards children, including candy. If the products has packaging on the inside for more than one products sold at a time, such as cookies or brownies, the packaging must not be transparent. The labeling is required to show the amount of THC in the product, must state "Keep out of reach of children", list all ingredients, any potential allergens and total weight of the product. On any product sold by a dispensary there must be a label which states "This is a marijuana product". The bill restricts the amount of marijuana that can be sold, it must be sold as a single package and the size will be dependent upon the concentration of THC in said product. Requires any establishments selling marijuana to post health impacts from use of marijuana. There are restrictions on the types of advertising allowed, including what can be shown in any advertisement and the location of any advertisement for an establishment. Also does not allow for local governments to create restrictions more stringent or in conflict with the state regulations created by the bill.		
Approved on June 12, 2017. Chapter 539	Sections 3 to 8, inclusive, and 9 effective on July 1, 2017. Section 1 effective October 1, 2017. Section 2 effective January 1, 2020.	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB352 Revises provisions governing the taxation of property rebuilt after an event proclaimed an emergency or disaster by the Governor. (BDR 32-929)		
Departments: Assessor and Office of the County Manager		
States that if a single-family residence is destroyed or damaged in a flood, fire, earthquake or other event for which the Governor has proclaimed a state of emergency or declaration of disaster, the owner can to apply to the county assessor for an exemption of a portion of the assessed value of the single-family residence. The resident will need to meet the qualification of any repair or rebuild to be eligible. Should the residence qualify this would allow them to keep the depreciation rate of the original property which was lost or partially damaged in the emergency. The bill does apply retroactively, however the abatement applies going forward only and no rebates will be given. If the property is sold the abatement does not apply to that new buyer.		
Approved on June 4, 2017. Chapter 372	Effective July 1, 2017	There may be a fiscal impact on the county but it should be a minimal impact.

SB355 Increases the fee for a certificate of death to fund grief support services. (BDR 40-114)		
Department: Health District		
The fee collected for a copy of a death certificate will include a sum of 50 cents to go to the Grief Support Trust Account. This money will go to support nonprofit community organizations that provide grief support services to children who have experienced loss of a relative or other person who had significant emotional relationship with the child. It can also be used to assist with grief support to a parent or caregiver who experiences the loss of a child.		
Approved June 8, 2017. Chapter 495	Effective June 8, 2017 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 on July 1, 2017, for all other purposes.	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB361 Revises provisions related to domestic violence. (BDR 53-775)		
Departments: Human Resources and Office of the County Manager		
Allows for employees who has been employed for more than 90 days to receive leave time if they, a family member or household member has been the victim of domestic violence. An employee is entitled to 160 hours of leave (paid or unpaid) during a 12 month period. It must be used on domestic violence events that have happened in the past 12 months. The time can be used consecutively or intermittently. There are some restrictions for how that time can be used, such as diagnosis, care or treatment from the event, court proceedings or creating a safety plan. The county can require documentation to confirm or support the reason for the requested leave. Documents would include a police report, copy of an application for a protection order or other documents. The county will have to maintain these records for a 2 year period and submit them to the Labor Commission if requested. The county will need to make reasonable accommodations to not create any undue hardship for the employee who is a victim, which can be things like a transfer, change to schedule and other such changes. The county cannot discharge, discipline or discriminate in any manner the employee for taking such leave.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 469	Effective June 8, 2017 for the purpose of adopting any regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative tasks necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and on January 1, 2018, for all other purposes.	There could be potential fiscal impact for staff time to accommodate the legislation, but there is no way to determine what that would be.
SB371 Establishes provisions governing the care of an animal which has been impounded. (BDR 14-153)		
Department: Animal Services		
Makes state law the procedure by which Washoe County Regional Animal Services handles the impoundment of animals whose owners are lawfully arrested.		
Approved on June 1, 2017. Chapter 301	Effective June 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.

SB373 Requires the appointment of a Minority Affairs Management Analyst in the Office of the Director of the Department of Business and Industry. (BDR 18-1108)		
Department: CSD, Comptroller and Office of the County Manager		
Creates the position of a Minority Affairs Management Analyst within the Department of Business and Industry to investigate and collect data to determine if discrimination on the basis of race is occurring with local purchasing, public works or any other area.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 459	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB375 Authorizes agreements between the Governor and Indian tribes in this State relating to the regulation of the use of marijuana. (BDR 18-321)		
Department: Office of the County Manager		
Allows the Governor to enter into agreements with tribal governments regarding any authority for the enforcement, regulatory issues, taxation or other such rules and regulations as related to marijuana and marijuana products.		
Approved on June 2, 2017. Chapter 305	Effective June 2, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB396 Revises provisions relating to industrial hemp. (BDR 49-53)		
Department: Office of the County Manager		
Allows for the growth of industrial hemp or agricultural hemp so long as they are registered with the Department of Health and Human Services, with some restrictions. To Regulate the growth of hemp in the state, pesticides they are allowed to use and testing standards before products can be sent out for sale.		
Approved on June 1, 2017. Chapter 259	Effective July 1, 2017. Sections 13 and 14 of this act expire by limitation on the date on which the provisions of 42 U.S.C. § 666 requiring each state to establish procedures under which the state has authority to withhold or suspend, or to restrict the use of professional, occupational and recreational licenses of persons who: have failed to comply with a subpoena or warrant relating to a proceeding to determine the paternity of a child or to establish or enforce an obligation for the support of a child; or are in arrears in the payment for the support of one or more children, are repealed by the Congress of the United States.	No fiscal impact to the county.

SB406 Revises provisions relating to court reporters and court reporting firms. (BDR 54-949)		
Department: District Court		
Prohibits a court reporter or court reporting firm from altering any records of proceedings that have been certified. Also gives more authority to the Certified Court Reporters' Board to impose penalties for violations.		
Approved on June 4, 2017. Chapter 361	Effective June 4, 2017 for the purpose of adopting regulations or performing any preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and on January 1, 2018, for all other purposes.	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB411 Revises provisions governing cruelty to animals. (BDR 50-11)		
Department: Animal Services		
Matches in state statute the ordinance that Washoe County has in the feral cat colonies and ensure it is not considered abandoning an animal under animal cruelty definition or statutes.		
Approved on June 2, 2017. Chapter 320	Effective June 2, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB413 Establishes "Public Lands Day" in the State of Nevada. (BDR 19-772)		
Department: Office of the County Manager		
Makes the last Saturday in September to be established as "Public Lands Day".		
Approved on June 1, 2017. Chapter 299	Effective July 1, 2017.	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB414 Revises provisions governing the taxation of certain property owned by nonresidents. (BDR 32-935)		
Departments: Assessor and Office of the County Manager		
Determines the taxation of property to create an exemption if the property is here for only display purposes and here less than 30 days, or if used for the purpose of an exhibit used in a tradeshow or convention.		
Approved on June 6, 2017. Chapter 428	Effective July 1, 2017	There could be an impact to the county. However, it cannot be determined at this time.
SB415 Proposes to exempt sales of feminine hygiene products from sales and use taxes and analogous taxes. (BDR 32-631)		
Department: Office of the County Manager		
Includes feminine hygiene products to the list of items for which sale tax cannot be added to the purchase.		
Approved on June 5, 2017. Chapter 389	Sections 1 to 9, inclusive, and section 13 effective on October 1, 2017. Sections 10, 11 and 12 effective on January 1, 2019, and expire by limitation on December 31, 2028, only if the proposal submitted pursuant to sections 2 to 9, inclusive, of this act is approved by the voters at the General Election on November 6, 2018.	There will be a fiscal impact to the county via loss of sale taxes.

SB442 Revises provisions relating to economic development. (BDR 32-1001)		
Department: Office of the County Manager		
Makes several changes to the administrative provisions, eligibility criteria and the authority granted to the Governor's Office of Economic Development regarding the issuance of tax credits and granting partial tax abatements of new and expanding businesses. There are new qualifications for rural projects that are part of a larger county. Makes clarifications regarding the requirement of at least 50% of the employees engaged in the construction of the project to be residents.		
Approved on June 12, 2017. Chapter 545	Effective July 1, 2017. Section 2 expires by limitation June 30, 2023. Sections 5, 5.5, 6, 7, 7.5, 14.7 and 14.9 expire by limitation June 30, 2032. Section 3 expires by limitation June 30, 2035. Sections 8 and 9 expire by limitation June 30, 2036. Section 22 expires by limitation June 30, 2049. Section 4 expires by limitation December 31, 2056.	No way to determine if there would be a fiscal impact to the county.
SB447 Revises provisions relating to absentee voting. (BDR 24-1125)		
Department: Registrar of Voters		
Allows a person who is 65 years of age or older, or those who have a physical disability to apply one time to be registered for an absentee ballot for any election going forward.		
Approved on June 1, 2017. Chapter 261	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB460 Revises provisions governing the membership of the Local Government Employee-Management Relations Board. (BDR 23-556)		
Department: Human Resources		
Increases the board from 3 to 5 members and states that 3 of the members must reside in Southern Nevada.		
Approved on June 5, 2017. Chapter 413	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB490 Revises provisions relating to the foreclosure of real property. (BDR 9-488)		
Departments District Court, Clerk, Recorder and Treasurer		
Creates a new foreclosure mediation program. There are increased recording fees to help pay for the program which will be paid by the lender when they file the notice of foreclosure. There is also a fee paid by the borrower to the clerk when they register for the program to pay for the program as a whole.		
Approved on June 12, 2017. Chapter 571	Effective June 12, 2017	There could be a future fiscal impact to the county. Depending on the number of filings made the court may need additional staffing.
SB491 Makes various changes relating to mechanical voting systems and mechanical recording devices. (BDR 24-491)		
Department: Registrar of Voters		
Requires the Secretary of State to approve which mechanical voting machines can be used. Allows for counties who have a population of less than 100,000 to lease mechanical voting machines from the Secretary of State.		
Approved on May 25, 2017. Chapter 124	Effective May 25, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county

SB492 Revises provisions relating to elections. (BDR 24-450)		
Department: Registrar of Voters		
Requires that at least 1 polling location be placed within the boundaries of an Indian reservation or Indian colony that has been approved by both parties for both the early voting period and election day. Allows for voting materials to be printed in additional languages if they can show a need in the community.		
Approved on June 12, 2017	Effective July 1, 2017, for the purpose of adopting any regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative tasks necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and on January 1, 2018, for all other purposes.	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB496 Revises provisions governing the issuance of revenue bonds and other securities by the Nevada System of Higher Education. (BDR S-1083)		
Department: Office of the County Manager		
Allows for the Board of Regents to issue a revenue bond not to exceed \$58,710,000 for the construction of an engineering building and a residence hall at the University of Nevada, Reno. Also allows for a revenue bond not to exceed \$22,000,000 for the construction of a fitness complex at Truckee Meadows Community College.		
Approved on June 4, 2017. Chapter 267	Effective June 4, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB499 Revises provisions relating to forestry. (BDR 47-492)		
Department: CSD		
Clarifies the requirement of obtaining a variance when applying for a logging operation.		
Approved on June 1, 2017. Chapter 266	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB502 Makes various changes relating to the Public Employees' Benefits Program and the Public Employees' Deferred Compensation Program. (BDR 18-979)		
Departments: Human Resources and Office of the County Manager		
Moves the Public Employees' Benefit Program to the Department of Administration.		
Approved on June 1, 2017. Chapter 302	Effective June 1, 2017 for the purpose of appointing, pursuant to section 51 of this act, members to the Advisory Board of the Public Employees' Benefits Program created by NRS 287.041, as amended by section 15 of this act, and on July 1, 2017, for all other purposes.	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB512 Revises provisions relating to fees for the use of certain state lands. (BDR 29-		
Department: None		
Removes the rates set for the use of certain state lands set in statute, instead makes the State Land Registrar set the rates by regulations. If the fees collected in association with the use of lands related to navigable bodies of water are higher than \$65,000, the excess will be put in a separate account. The money will be used by the State Land Registrar to carry out programs to preserve, restore and enhance the natural environment of the Lake Tahoe Basin.		
Approved on June 4, 2017. Chapter 366	Effective July 1, 2017.	No fiscal impact to the county.

SB513 Increases the limit on the assessment for water distribution expenses. (BDR 48-905)		
Department: CSD		
Changes the assessment limit to \$1 per acre-foot of water decreed from a stream system irrigation that provides for more than 200,000 acres of land.		
Approved on May 27, 2017. Chapter 201	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB539 Revises provisions relating to prescription drugs. (BDR 40-1217)		
Department: None		
Requires the state to create a list of the most prescribed medications in the state and then divide those into 2 categories, one for diabetes and a second category for everything else. Requires tracking of the most significant price increases to be tracked for the previous 2 years. Requires the pharmaceutical benefits managers to submit to the state the reason for the increase in the drug price for any drugs listed as essential diabetes prescriptions. Any non-profit who receives cost saving discounts to assist people with drug prices must share how much that is with the state. Requires any insurance company to notice insures a year or two (if possible) of any drug that fall under the essential diabetes drugs that will be removed from the formulary. Requires pharmaceutical sale representatives to be listed with the state in order to do business in the state. The bill also creates different penalties to anyone who does not share the required information with the state.		
Approved on June 15, 2017. Chapter 592	Section 26.9 and 28 effective June 15, 2017. Section 8.6 effective on July 1, 2017. Sections 1 to 6.5, inclusive, 7.5, 8, 9 and 26.6 effective June 15, 2017 for the purpose of adopting regulations and performing any other administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act and on October 1, 2017, for all other purposes. Sections 10 to 26.3, inclusive, and 27 effective June 15, 2017 for the purpose of adopting regulations and performing any other administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act and on January 1, 2018, for all other purposes. Section 7 of effective upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting regulations and performing any other administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act and on May 1, 2018, for all other purposes.	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB549 Makes an appropriation to the Division of State Library, Archives and Public Records of the Department of Administration for certain projects, services and technology. (BDR S-1240)		
Departments: Library and Office of the County Manager		
Allocates \$500,000 to the Division of Library, Archives and Public Records for the purpose of library collection, bookmobile services, statewide databases and emerging technology.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 465	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.

SB551 Establishes for the 2017-2019 biennium the subsidies to be paid to the Public Employees' Benefits Program for insurance for certain active and retired public officers and employees. (BDR S-1242)		
Departments: Human Resource and Office of the County Manager		
Establishes rate share changes to PEBP retirees for both FY 17-18 and FY 18-19.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 476	Sections 2.5 and 3 effective June 8, 2017. Sections 1 and 2 effective on July 1, 2017.	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB552 Revises provisions governing the cost of certain coverage under the Public Employees' Benefits Program. (BDR 23-1226)		
Departments: Human Resource and Office of the County Manager		
Removes the abatement and shifts the entire portion of the Public Employees' Benefit Program benefits costs to the county. This will be implemented in a step rate process, with the state paying 100% of the difference in FY17-18, 75% in FY18-19, 50% in FY19-20, 25% in FY20-21 and every year going forward will be paid by the county.		
Approved on June 9, 2017. Chapter 536	Sections 2, 3.5 and 5 effective June 9, 2017. Sections 1, 3 and 4 effective on July 1, 2017.	There will be a fiscal impact to the county, we currently have 291 members that we pay some portion of their PEBP coverage. As rates change so will what the county will pay and therefore cannot be determined at this time.
SJR3 Proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution to provide certain rights to voters. (BDR C-55)		
Departments: Office of the County Manager and Registrar of Voters.		
Adds the rights afforded to voters that is in law into the Nevada Constitution.		
Secretary of State. File #39	Return to 2019 Session	No fiscal impact to the county.
SJR6 Proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution to provide for certain increases in the minimum wage. (BDR C-867)		
Departments: Human Resource and Office of the County Manager		
Beginning on January 1, 2021 the hourly employee rate must be \$9.40 per hour worked. The rate will increase by \$1.15 every year after that until it reaches \$14.00 per hour worked.		
Secretary of State. File #42	Return to 2019 Session	No fiscal impact to the county.
SJR14 Proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution to revise certain provisions relating to property taxes. (BDR C-1123)		
Department: Office of the County Manager		
Proposing to amend the Nevada Constitution to revise provisions relating to the assessment and taxation of property which is sold or transferred and to require the Legislature to enact a "Senior and Disabled Taxpayers Protection Act" to provide property tax assistance to senior citizens and persons with disabilities.		
Secretary of State. File#43	Return to 2019 Session	There would be a future fiscal impact, but no impact to the county at this time.
SJR17* Proposes to amend the Nevada Constitution to expand the rights guaranteed to victims of crime. (BDR C-952)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, Public Defender, Registrar of Voters and Sheriff's Office		
Victim's Bill of Rights. Passed in original form. Must now be passed by voters on 2018 Ballot.		
Secretary of State. File #47	On 2018 Ballot	No fiscal impact to the county.



Bills that impact on public safety in Washoe County:

AB14 Requires the submission of a complete set of fingerprints with certain petitions and court orders relating to a legal name change and citations for domestic violence. (BDR 3-172)		
Departments: District Court and Sheriff's Office		
Requires a person who is requesting a name change and who has a criminal record, to submit a complete set of finger prints with the petition sent to the court. If the name change is granted by the Court, the set of finger prints must be sent to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History. If a person is detained for a misdemeanor, domestic violence or is issued a citation in lieu of taking the person before a magistrate they must obtain a complete set of fingerprints and submit them to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal		
Approved on May 22, 2017. Chapter 66	Effective July 1, 2017	No Fiscal impact to the County
AB17 Revises provisions governing the duties of a driver when approaching certain authorized vehicles of the Department of Transportation. (BDR 43-140)		
Department: Sheriff's Office		
Requires drivers to reduce speed, proceed with caution, be prepared to stop or move over a lane away from an emergency vehicle or any other authorized vehicle which is flashing amber or blue lights. Not doing so can result in a citation being issued against the driver.		
Approved on June 12, 2017. Chapter 554	Effective October 1, 2017	No Fiscal impact to the County
AB25 Revises provisions relating to certain allowable deductions from the period of probation or sentence of a person. (BDR 14-171)		
Department: District Attorney- Criminal		
Makes changes to the probation/parole credit calculation.		
Approved on June 9, 2017. Chapter 503	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB37 Revises provisions relating to justice courts and municipal courts. (BDR 1-397)		
Departments: District Court and Justice Courts		
Sets forth a process for the transferring of a court case if an affidavit of bias or prejudice is filed against a judge or a justice of the peace. As well as a process for the judge to contest the alleged bias or prejudice.		
Approved on May 22, 2017. Chapter 68	Effective May 22, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county
AB63 Revises provisions relating to court interpreters. (BDR 1-393)		
Departments: District Court and Justice Courts		
Requires an applicant for certification as a court interpreter or appointment as an alternate court interpreter to submit with their applications a complete set of fingerprints. The applicant must also submit written permission to forward those fingerprints to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History and the Federal Bureau of Investigation for the reports on the criminal history of the applicant.		
Approved on May 23, 2017. Chapter 81	Effective May 23, 2017	There will be a minimal impact on the county.

AB76 Revises provisions relating to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History. (BDR 14-260)		
Department: Juvenile Services and Sheriff's Office		
Adds "biometric identifiers" to information collected for the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History. Makes changes to the agencies and information collected related to crime or delinquency of children. Adds press and coroners for certain circumstances to have information from the Central Repository.		
Approved on June 5, 2017. Chapter 401.	Effective January 1, 2018	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB118 Revises provisions governing the issuance of permits to carry concealed firearms. (BDR 15-572)		
Department: Sheriff		
Allows for active or honorably discharged veterans to obtain a CCW permit at 18, 19 or 20 years of age.		
Approved on May 22, 2017. Chapter 54	Effective May 22, 2017.	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB132 Provides for enhanced penalties for committing assault or battery against certain civilian employees and volunteers of certain governmental entities. (BDR 15-111)		
Departments: District Attorney, Public Defender and Sheriff's Office		
Revises the definition of "officer" to include certain civilian employees and volunteers of law enforcement agencies, fire-fighting agencies of this State and political subdivisions of this State for the purpose of enhancing penalties for the crimes of assault and battery against a person.		
Approved on May 22, 2017. Chapter 59	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB133 Revises provisions governing landlords and tenants. (BDR 10-339)		
Departments: CSD, Sheriff's Office and TMFPD		
Allows for responders to notify code enforcement if during a request for emergency service code violations are noticed.		
Approved on May 22, 2017. Chapter 71	Effective July 1, 2017	There will be a fiscal impact due to additional staff time needed to comply.
AB135 Revises provisions relating to prohibited acts concerning the use of marijuana and the operation of a vehicle or vessel. (BDR 43-598)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, Public Defender and Sheriff's Officer		
Eliminates urine for marijuana DUI only. Blood levels remain the same for marijuana and marijuana metabolite although a different metabolite is specified. Metabolite has changed from 11-nor to 11-OH.		
Approved on May 23, 2017. Chapter 76	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB146 Enacts the Uniform Recognition and Enforcement of Canadian Domestic-Violence Protection Orders Act. (BDR 3-617)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, District Courts, Justice Courts, Sheriff's Officer		
Allows for any protection order that is issued in Canada to be enforceable by our local jurisdictions.		
Approved on May 26, 2017. Chapter 137	Effective July 1, 2017, and applies to a Canadian domestic-violence protection order issued before, on or after July 1, 2017, and to a continuing action for enforcement of a Canadian domestic-violence protection order commenced before, on or after July 1, 2017.	No fiscal impact on the county

AB148 Increases the penalties for certain willful violations of provisions relating to notaries public and document preparation services. (BDR 19-756)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, District Courts, Justice Courts, Sheriff's Officer		
Creates more strict punishments for those who willfully violate the provisions granted to them by being a public notary.		
Approved on June 1, 2017. Chapter 284	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB151 Provides for the voluntary training of law enforcement dispatchers. (BDR 23-767)		
Department: Sheriff's Office		
Requires the Peace Officer's Standards and Training Commission to establish minimum standards for a voluntary program of training law enforcement dispatchers.		
Approved on May 22, 2017. Chapter 60	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB177 Revises provisions relating to domestic violence. (BDR 3-210)		
Departments District Court, Justice Courts, Sheriff's Officer		
Authorizes a court to set a second or third hearing on an extended protection order if the adverse party is not served or does not appear. This therefore extends the time that the temporary order of protection is in place if it falls under this bill.		
Approved on May 31, 2017. Chapter 230	Effective May 31, 2017	There is a potential future fiscal impact to the county for additional court proceedings.
AB180 Enacts the Juvenile Justice Bill of Rights. (BDR 5-711)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, Juvenile Services, Public Defender		
Puts in state statute what Washoe County already does with rights granted to juveniles.		
Approved on May 26, 2017. Chapter 165	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB184 Revises provisions concerning the withdrawal of certain pleas. (BDR 3-286)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, District Court, Public Defender		
Provides that a person may file a motion to withdraw his guilty plea within one year after sentencing. Also provides that the court shall not appoint an attorney to represent the defendant on such a motion and imposes a 1 year statute of limitations from the point of conviction.		
Approved on May 23, 2017. Chapter 85	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB218 Revises provisions concerning certain juvenile offenders. (BDR 14-215)		
Departments District Court, Justice Courts, Juvenile Services		
Allows the sentencing judge on a juvenile certified as an adult to depart from the minimum sentence by up to 35%.		
Approved on May 31, 2017. Chapter 231	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB251 Authorizes the State Board of Pardons Commissioners to commute certain sentences of juvenile offenders. (BDR 16-304)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal and Public Defender		
Allows the Pardons Board to commute the sentence of certain juvenile offenders. This law was designed to comport with the recent Supreme Court cases regarding juvenile life without parole.		
Approved on June 2, 2017. Chapter 308	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.

AB253 Revises provisions relating to adjudications of mental health. (BDR 39-688)		
Departments: District Court, Justice Courts, Sheriff's Office		
Requires the court to conduct a hearing as soon as practicable on an application for a writ of habeas corpus relating to a person with mental illness or who is alleged to be a person with mental illness if the application is made before the initial hearing on a petition for the involuntary court-ordered admission of the person. Requires a court to transmit an order for involuntary admission to a law enforcement agency under certain circumstances		
Approved on June 2, 2017. Chapter 309	Effective July 1, 2017	There could be a future fiscal impact to the county. Depending on the increase to the caseload, which cannot be determined at this time the District Court could require additional staffing.
AB260 Revises provisions relating to the crime of prostitution. (BDR 1-821)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, Justice Courts, Sheriff's Office, Social Services		
Increases penalties for soliciting prostitution. Also provides for a diversion court for first time offenders.		
Approved on June 2, 2017. Chapter 310	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB268 Revises provisions relating to a post conviction petition for a genetic marker analysis. (BDR 14-638)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, District Court, Public Defender, Sheriff's Office		
Adds 3 categories to the statute allowing a Defendant to obtain post-conviction DNA testing.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 478	Effective July 1, 2017	There is a potential fiscal impact to the county depending on how frequently the option is used.
AB286 Revises provisions relating to court programs for the treatment of veterans and members of the military. (BDR 14-872)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, District Court, Justice Courts, Public Defender		
Makes specific provisions related to veterans and specialty courts. Requires the judge to attempt to determine if defendant is a veteran and if they qualify for specialty or diversion court. Applies to crimes involving use or threatened use of force and will require prosecutor approval. Allows for a conditional dismissal of charges in certain circumstances and allows for sealing of those records after 7 years without a hearing.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 484	Effective June 8, 2017	There is a potential fiscal impact due to additional referrals and casework for some departments.
AB288 Revises provisions relating to the protection of older persons and vulnerable persons. (BDR 15-724)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, District Court, Justice Courts, Public Defender, Sheriff's Office, Social Services		
First offense against an older or vulnerable person is either a gross misdemeanor or a category C felony, with subsequent offenses being category B felonies. Also certifies the immunity provisions.		
Approved on June 6, 2017. Chapter 422	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB291 Revises provisions relating to reports of presentence investigations and general investigations. (BDR 14-1076)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, District Court, Public Defender		
Revises the information that must be contained in a PSI, including arrests from only the last ten years. Parole and Probation must provide worksheets and sources information.		
Approved on June 6, 2017. Chapter 423	Effective October 1, 2017	There could be a potential fiscal impact due to the changes in the PSI reports, but cannot be determined at this time.

AB301 Provides for the confidentiality of certain communications between parties during a peer support counseling session. (BDR 23-186)		
Department: Sheriff's Office		
Allows for peer support counseling session for law enforcement or public safety personnel to be confidential with some expectations.		
Approved on May 27, 2017. Chapter 190	Effective May 27, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB326 Revises provisions relating to reports of presentence investigations and general investigations. (BDR 14-1117)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, District Court, Public Defender		
Provides that Parole and Probation must provide documentation to support gang affiliation, to allow for the defendant to dispute the PSI reports.		
Approved on June 12, 2017. Chapter 554	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB327 Revises provisions relating to records of criminal history. (BDR 14-658)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, District Court, Public Defender		
Makes various changes to sealing of records including decreased time periods for filing.		
Approved on June 5, 2017. Chapter 378	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB334 Prohibits a driver from operating a motor vehicle in the extreme left lane of a controlled-access highway under certain circumstances. (BDR 43-154)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, District Court, Public Defender		
A driver can be in the extreme left lane for purposes of passing only.		
Approved on May 26, 2017. Chapter 140	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB335 Revises provisions governing motor vehicles and off-highway vehicles. (BDR 43-670)		
Department: Sheriff's Office		
Mopeds must be driving in the extreme right lane with certain exceptions.		
Approved on May 26, 2017. Chapter 141	Effective January 1, 2018	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB341 Revises provisions governing juvenile justice. (BDR 5-964)		
Departments: Juvenile Services, Public Defender, Sheriff's Office		
Allows a defense attorney in juvenile proceedings to seek the appointment of persons to assist in the defense of the juvenile. Also urges the Supreme Court to develop standards for the representation of juveniles.		
Approved on May 26, 2017. Chapter 174	Effective May 26, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB356 Revises provisions relating to criminal procedure. (BDR 14-1155)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, Public Defender, Sheriff's Office		
Either party may present to the court any written instruction and request that it be given. If the court believes that the charge is pertinent and an accurate statement of the law, whether or not the charge has been adopted as a model jury instruction, it must be given. If the court believes that the charge is not pertinent or not an accurate statement of law, then it must be refused.		
Approve on June 2, 2017. Chapter 313	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.

AB377 Revises provisions relating to the competency of a defendant in a criminal case. (BDR 14-1074)		
Department: District Attorney- Criminal		
An indictment may not be pursued, absent court approval, while a competency determination is pending. Charges can be refiled where charges were dismissed because a defendant was deemed incompetent and not likely to regain competency if there is reason to believe that a defendant has obtained competency and the statute of limitations has not passed. Also allows Lakes Crossing under certain circumstances to extend for 5 years the commitment of a person charged with murder or sex assault.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 480	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB391 Creates the crime of bestiality. (BDR 15-29)		
Departments: Animal Services, District Attorney- Criminal, District Court and Public Defender		
If no death or severe bodily harm to animal and no priors will be charged with a gross misdemeanor. If death or severe bodily harm or previous felony conviction for animal abuse will be charged with a category D felony. Court may also impose additional conditions as part of sentence.		
Approved on May 23, 2017. Chapter 86	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB395 Revises provisions governing juvenile justice. (BDR 5-853)		
Departments: District Court, Juvenile Services		
Excludes juveniles from certain requirements of the Adam Walsh Act. Requires the district court to notify the Central Repository if a child is adjudicated delinquent for an unlawful act that would have been a sexual offense if committed by an adult. Makes it that records cannot be sealed while a child is subject to registration and community notification.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 477	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB412 Revises provisions relating to the jurisdiction of courts over certain criminal charges. (BDR 14-601)		
Department: District Court		
Requires that misdemeanors committed with felonies/gross misdemeanors be charged all together in the District Court rather than separately in a municipal court.		
Approved on May 31, 2017. Chapter 235	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB440 Revises provisions governing involuntary commitment proceedings. (BDR 39-997)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, District Court and Public Defender		
Authorizes a proceeding for the involuntary court-ordered admission of a person who is the defendant in a criminal proceeding in the district court to a program of community based or outpatient services to be commenced by the district court, on its own motion, or by motion of the defendant or the district attorney if certain conditions are met. Also allows for diversion in certain circumstances.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 482	Effective October 1, 2017.	No fiscal impact to the county.

AB444 Sets forth certain requirements relating to the search and seizure of the property of an attorney. (BDR 14-1072)		
Departments: District Attorney- Civil, Public Defender and Sheriff's Office		
Specifies procedures that must be followed when serving a search warrant on the office of an attorney.		
Approved on May 31, 2017. Chapter 236	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB453 Establishes conditional plea agreements in criminal cases. (BDR 14-1065)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, District Court and Public Defender		
Upon an unconditional waiver of a preliminary hearing, a defendant and the district attorney may enter into a written conditional plea agreement, subject to the court accepting the recommended sentence pursuant to the agreement.		
Approved on May 31, 2017. Chapter 237	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB470 Authorizes the creation of a preprosecution diversion program for defendants charged with certain misdemeanor offenses. (BDR 14-1062)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, District Court, Justice Courts and Public Defender		
Justice court may establish a pre-prosecution diversion program. The District Attorney will have to agree to the diversion program, the court will set forth the terms and conditions and the defendant has to pay for the treatment unless they cannot afford to do so.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 483	Effective October 1, 2017	There is expected to be an impact to both the District Attorneys office and the Justice Courts for the program, but it cannot be determined until they know how many defendants will fall under this program as well as how many can afford it.
AB472 Establishes policies for reducing recidivism rates and improving other outcomes for youth in the juvenile justice system. (BDR 5-918)		
Department: Juvenile Services		
Creates the Juvenile Justice Oversight Commission, a representative from the Washoe County Director of Juvenile Services as appointed by the Governor. Also creates an advisory committee, which is also appointed by the Governor. Both will review different aspects of the juvenile justice system to make recommendations of necessary changes and state-wide standards.		
Approved on June 16, 2017. Chapter 604	Sections 1 to 32, inclusive, and 34 of this act effective on July 1, 2017. Section 33 of this act effective on July 1, 2018.	Starting FY 19-20, \$45,000 per year for an annual contract for the automated case management system that is required to be paid to the state.
SB27 Revises the definition of the term "mental illness" for purposes of provisions relating to criminal procedure, mental health and intellectual disabilities. (BDR 39-133)		
Departments: District Court, District Attorney- Criminal and Public Defender		
Changes the definition of "Mental Illness" to be considered if the thought, mood, perception, orientation, memory or behavior seriously limits the capacity of the person to function in normal daily living. It does not apply other mental disorders such as epilepsy, intellectual disability, dementia, delirium or intoxication or addition to alcohol or drugs.		
Approved on May 23, 2017. Chapter 97	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.

SB29 Provides for the transfer of a criminal case from one justice court or municipal court to another such court or a district court in certain circumstances. (BDR 1-396)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, District Court, Justice Courts and Public Defender		
Allows a justice/municipal court to transfer a criminal case to another justice/municipal court or District Court.		
Approved on May 22, 2017. Chapter 73	Effective May 22, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB35 Creates the Subcommittee on Criminal Justice Information Sharing of the Advisory Commission on the Administration of Justice. (BDR 14-261)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, District Court, Justice Courts and Public Defender		
Creates the Subcommittee on Criminal Justice Information Sharing of the Advisory Commission of the Administration of Justice.		
Approved on May 24, 2017. Chapter 99	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB124 Revises provisions concerning the ownership, possession and control of firearms by certain persons. (BDR 3-307)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, District Court, Justice Courts, Public Defenders and Sheriff's Office		
Provides that a court may order the surrender of firearms from a person subject to an extended protection order under certain circumstances. Adds the following to the list of persons who are prohibited from possessing a firearm: (1) a person who has been convicted of stalking pursuant to Nevada law or a substantially similar law of any other state and the court has entered a finding in the judgment of conviction or admonishment of rights; and (2) a person currently subject to an extended order for protection against domestic violence in this State or an equivalent order in any other state.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 490	Effective October 1, 2017 and is not retroactive.	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB125 Revises provisions governing the sealing of criminal records. (BDR 14-20)		
Departments: District Court and Justice Courts		
Makes changes to the time that a person must wait to petition for the court to seal their records of criminal history relating to a conviction.		
Approved on May 31, 2017. Chapter 246	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB169 Revises provisions relating to sexual offenses. (BDR 15-472)		
Departments: District Attorney- Civil, Juvenile Services, Sheriff's Office and Social Services		
This bill adds language to NRS 200 to criminalize sexual contact of certain employees of child-serving agencies including foster homes with children and young adults served by that entity. It also requires forensic sexual examination kits be tracked, monitored, and statistically reported semi-annually to the Governor's office. Anticipated program impact may be more timely evaluation by the Crime Lab of forensic sexual examination kits due to the increased analysis and tracking of processing time. The Program Impacts will positively impact older youth victimized by sexual assault; and expands sex trafficking language to include "child" and not just "pupil".		
Approved on June 4, 2017. Chapter 375	Sections 1.7 and 21 to 24, inclusive, effective on July 1, 2017. Sections 2 to 9, inclusive, and 11 to 20, inclusive, effective on October 1, 2017. Sections 1.3 and 10 effective on January 1, 2020.	No fiscal impact to the county.

SB182 Revises provisions governing sheriffs, constables and deputy constables. (BDR 20-607)		
Department: Sheriff's Office		
Allows for the Sheriff to charge \$21 for the service in a summary eviction, with some exceptions.		
Approved on May 27, 2017. Chapter 196	Effective July 1, 2017	Allows for potential additional income for the Sheriff but no way to determine at this time.
SB259 Revises provisions relating to driving under the influence of alcohol or a controlled substance. (BDR 43-606)		
Departments: District Courts, Justice Courts and Sheriff's Office		
Makes it a misdemeanor to blow into the interlock of another to enable him/her to drive. Requires an interlock on all DUI convictions with certain exceptions. Increases the time period for an interlock. Increases license revocation time periods. Also provides for interlocks for juveniles.		
Approved on June 12, 2017. Chapter 564	Effective June 12, 2017 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 on October 1, 2018, for all other purposes.	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB268 Revises various provisions relating to corrections. (BDR 16-546)		
Department: Juvenile Services and Sheriff's Office		
Allows for the jail or a detention center to issue an identification card upon leaving the facilities, if they choose to offer such a service. If they do not they can issue information of how to obtain such identification cards from the DMV. It also makes some changes to time deduction for a prisoner who completes different education or training programs that may be offered.		
Approved on June 12, 2017. Chapter 565	Effective June 12, 2017 for the purpose of performing any preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and on October 1, 2017, for all other purposes.	Language in bill is enabling, so should the departments choose to move forward with enabling the program there would be a fiscal impact.
SB277 Revises provisions relating to criminal justice information. (BDR 14-1004)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, Public Defender and Sheriff's Office		
Creates a subcommittee under the Department of Public Safety to review and evaluate criminal justice information systems. Including a review to consider a statewide a integrated statewide criminal justice information system.		
Approved on May 24, 2017. Chapter 144	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB312 Revises provisions relating to driving under certain conditions. (BDR 43-94)		
Department: Sheriff's Office		
Requires drives who approach an emergency or official vehicle that they decrease speed, approach with caution, and when applicable move to a non-adjacent lane from the emergency or official vehicle. Adds the language for an unattended or disabled vehicle that is endangering public safety as a vehicle which they are authorized for immediate removal. Removes any liability for the removal of any such vehicle to the law enforcement or tow car.		
Approved on May 31, 2017. Chapter 243	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB362 Revises provisions relating to racketeering. (BDR 15-966)		
Department: District Attorney- Criminal		
Adds to the crimes in the racketeering statute.		
Approved on May 24, 2017. Chapter 116	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.

SB402 Restricts the use of certain disciplinary action on persons in confinement. (BDR 16-1087)		
Department: Sheriff's Office		
Sets rules and process for the use of disciplinary segregation and solitary confinement.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 499	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB409 Revises provisions relating to animals. (BDR 15-100)		
Departments: Animal Services and Sheriff's Office		
Prohibit a person from allowing a pet to remain unattended in a motor vehicle under certain circumstances as well as adding the term 'animal control officer' to state statute.		
Approved on June 4, 2017. Chapter 364	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB451 Makes various changes relating to criminal justice. (BDR 14-1007)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, District Court and Public Defenders		
Creates the Nevada Sentencing commission.		
Approved on June 14, 2017. Chapter 583	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB473 Excludes juveniles from increased penalties for certain sexual offenses. (BDR 15-346)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, Juvenile services and Public Defender		
Provides that the increased penalty for committing Open or Gross Lewdness or Indecent Exposure in the presence of a child under the age of 18 years or a vulnerable person does not apply if the person committing the offense is under the age of 18 years.		
Approved on June 1, 2017. Chapter 263	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB477 Enacts provisions relating to residential establishments for persons with disabilities. (BDR 22-146)		
Departments: CSD, TMFPD		
Requires that any ordinance adopted for the definition of a "single-family residence" include group homes in which fewer than 11 persons with disabilities reside, home for individual residential care and a halfway house for recovering drug and alcohol abusers in which there are fewer than 11 residents. Requires a residential facility for groups to be equipped with a fire sprinkler system if the facility has 3 or more residents who would have difficulty perceiving the danger or ability to move to safety.		
Approved on June 3, 2017. Chapter 336	Effective July 1, 2017.	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB488 Revises provisions relating to certain crimes. (BDR 15-1086)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, Public Defender, Sheriff's Office and Social Services		
Creates a new crime of Facilitating Sex Trafficking. This bill expands acts that constitute child sex trafficking and requires the Department of Health and Human Services with Medicaid establish and publish available resources.		
Approved on June 12, 2017. Chapter 569	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.

SB541 Enhances the criminal penalty for certain crimes committed against first responders. (BDR 15-1219)		
Departments: District Attorney- Criminal, District Court, Public Defender, Sheriff's Office and TMFPD		
Creates an enhancement of 1-20 years for crimes committed against a first responder.		
Approved on June 14, 2017. Chapter 586	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.



Bills that impact social services in Washoe County:

AB31 Revises provisions relating to the Specialist for the Rights of Elderly Persons and the Community Advocate for Elder Rights. (BDR 38-130)		
Department: Social Services		
Expands the scope of the powers and duties of the Attorney for the Rights of Older Persons and Persons with a Physical Disability, an Intellectual Disability or a Related Condition to include; services to older persons, persons with a physical disability, persons with an intellectual disability and persons with a related condition; and acting as the State legal assistance developer for the purposes of satisfying certain requirements of federal law.		
Approved on May 19, 2017. Chapter 41	Effective May 19, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB46 Revises provisions governing services provided to persons with mental illness and other disabilities. (BDR 39-132)		
Department: Social Services		
Relating to mental health; makes provisions for the certification and regulation of providers of community-based living arrangement services; requiring a person or entity to consider certain factors when determining the placement of a person with a mental illness or a person with a related condition; clarifying that providers of community-based living arrangement services, supported living arrangement services and temporary respite services are not subject to certain licensing and regulatory requirements.		
Approved on June 1, 2017. Chapter 236	Effective July 1, 2017. Sections 10, 11 and 12 of this act expire by limitation on the date on which the provisions of 42 U.S.C. § 666 requiring each state to establish procedures under which the state has authority to withhold or suspend, or to restrict the use of professional, occupational and recreational licenses of persons who: (a) Have failed to comply with the subpoena or warrant relating to a proceeding to determine the paternity of a child or to establish or enforce an obligation for the support of a child; or (b) Are in arrears in the payment for the support of one or more children, are repealed by the Congress of the United States	No fiscal impact to the county

AB95 Revises provisions governing child support. (BDR 38-197)		
Departments: District Attorney- Civil and Social Services		
The bill simplifies language that proposes that the Welfare Division cannot collect an individual's child support as income to compensate the difference of the qualifying level thus taking an amount of money from the recipient over what would be allowable for them to receive benefits. It further suggests that child support would not be considered income when determining eligibility for benefits and thus a debt would not be owed to the Welfare Division when support was received. While the Court is currently setting cost of care waivers at "\$0", this would put that practice virtually in statute.		
Approved on May 23, 2017. Chapter 90	Effective July 1, 2017	There is a potential fiscal impact to the county.
AB99 Revises provisions relating to services for children. (BDR 38-144)		
Departments: Juvenile Services and Social Services		
Relating to children; requiring certain institutions and agencies to treat a child as having the gender with which the child identifies; requiring certain persons to receive training on working with lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning children; requiring the Division of Child and Family Services of the Department of Health and Human Services to establish protocols to follow or factors to consider before placing a child in certain placements; requiring the Division to establish a process for filing and resolving certain grievances; revising the manner in which a foster child is notified of his or her rights; requiring certain facilities to which a juvenile court commits a child to comply with certain federal law. The bill will have program impacts related to training and supportive services; however, the intent is consistent with Agency goals and intent.		
Approved on April 11, 2017. Chapter 9	Effective April 11, 2017, 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 October 1, 2017, for all other purposes.	There will be a fiscal impact to the county for the training, however we are unable to determine what that cost will be.
AB105 Revises continuing education requirements relating to suicide prevention and awareness for certain providers of health care. (BDR 54-32)		
Departments: Juvenile Services and Social Services		
This bill modifies suicide prevention requirement training for affected staff from every two years to every four		
Approved on May 26, 2017. Chapter 176	Effective May 26, 2017, 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 on July 1, 2017, for all other purposes.	This will be a savings to the county as the training will be happening every 4 years instead of every 2.

AB108 Provides for the periodic review of Medicaid reimbursement rates. (BDR 38-209)		
Department: Social Services		
Programs administered by other DHHS agencies utilize DHCFFP's Medicaid rates for service reimbursements. Historically services such as ADSD's Homemaker Services have been paid at the Medicaid rate (which is not representative of the cost of providing services and has not been for many years). Funds are provided to Senior Services from ADSD in the form of grants to purchase these types of services. The low rate makes it difficult to find providers in the community and stresses county funds as there is no alternative funding stream for these services.		
Approved on May 19, 2017. Chapter 44	Effective July 1, 2017	Washoe County funds the federal share of Medicaid payments as required per NRS for Nursing home and other Long Term Service supports. Any increase to Medicaid rates would result in an increase in the amount of general fund match Washoe County would have to provide.
AB130 Revises various provisions relating to guardianships. (BDR 13-524)		
Departments: District Court and Public Guardian		
Creates the State Guardianship Compliance Office within the AOC (to help courts with investigations and audits),		
Approved on June 12, 2017. Chapter 552	Sections 43.3 and 45 of this act effective June 12, 2017. Section 43.5 of this act effective on July 1, 2017. Sections 1 to 43, inclusive, and 44 of this act effective on January 1, 2018.	The personal property management changes will create a fiscal impact to the County. The Washoe County Public Guardian estimated a potential impact of \$185,000.
AB142 Establishes provisions concerning children seeking federal status as special immigrant juveniles. (BDR 1-739)		
Departments: District Court and Social Services		
This bill allows children and youth under a District Court's jurisdiction to receive special immigrant status. This provides for these children to receive federally funded services as well as the agency to claim federal reimbursement for eligible services. WCDSS generally has very few children (less than five annually) who are non-legal residents; however, those children are not eligible for federal programs including Medicaid and services available to older and aged-out youth (Chaffee programming dollars and Pell grants). Medical, dental, and mental health services are funded at the state and local levels. For older youth, Chaffee funding and Pell grants help youth achieve successful outcomes to be productive adults and these dollars are not available to this population. This would also protect the children's status as residents while in the custody of the agency and in the child welfare system including throughout the investigation, placement, judicial and, if applicable, termination and adoption process		
Approved on May 30, 2017. Chapter 212	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB224 Revises provisions relating to persons with disabilities. (BDR 39-780)		
Department: Social Services		
This bill broadens the number of people eligible for services by changing the language from "intellectual disabilities and persons with related conditions" to "developmental disabilities".		
Approved on June 6, 2017. Chapter 421	Effective June 6, 2017, for the purposes of adopting regulations and performing any other administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act, and on January 1, 2018, for all other purposes. Section 22 of this act expires by limitation on June 30, 2019.	No fiscal impact to the county.

AB228 Revises provisions relating to the termination of parental rights. (BDR 11-590)		
Departments: District Attorney- Civil, District Court and Social Services		
When a court order directs publication in a newspaper for 4 weeks, the Clerk of Court shall ensure that the name of the minor child is replaced with the initials of the minor child in every instance where the name of the minor child appears in the published notice of hearing. The impact on Social Services results in the agency potentially needing to expand its diligent search efforts. In the normal civil action, a plaintiff in a lawsuit can publish notice in a newspaper, if the defendant cannot be found in the state of Nevada. Similarly, in a termination action, the child welfare agency would be allowed to publish in the newspaper should a parent not be located in the state of Nevada. This expands the current requirement and the agency would have to show that the Defendant cannot be located anywhere before being permitted to publish. The ultimate effect would be that the courts would require an expansion of diligent search efforts to other jurisdictions.		
Approved on May 26, 2017. Chapter 166	Effective October 1, 2017	There is a potential for a fiscal impact to the county, but if so it would be minimal.
AB234 Revises provisions governing motor carriers. (BDR 58-651)		
Department: Social Services		
Requires that if transporting a person with a disability, there must be a first aid kit in the vehicle and that each driver be trained in first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation.		
Approved on June 4, 2017. Chapter 346	Effective January 1, 2020	Potential fiscal impact to the county if any drivers are in need of the training.
AB236 Authorizes an agency which provides child welfare services to obtain the education records of certain pupils. (BDR 38-838)		
Department: Social Services		
This bill intends to ensure seamless communication between the local education agency and public child welfare agency regarding a student's educational records. The bill supports state efforts to support the Uninterrupted Scholars Act and Every Student Succeeds Act. The bill provides consequences for local education entities for failure to provide records as requested.		
Approved on May 23, 2017. Chapter 92	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB299 Requires the Legislative Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans and Adults with Special Needs to conduct a study concerning training standards for unlicensed persons providing care at certain facilities or homes or through certain agencies or providers. (BDR S-985)		
Department: Social Services		
May eventually impact policy or process depending on results of study and future legislation or recommendations.		
Approved on June 1, 2017. Chapter 279	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB305 Requires each public school and private school to post a toll-free telephone number for a child abuse or neglect hotline. (BDR 34-362)		
Department: Social Services		
This bill requires public schools to display the 1-800 child abuse and neglect report number. The intent of the bill is to protect children from abuse or neglect. There could be significant calls to the local public child welfare agency from students reporting alleged abuse by a school staff member or volunteer.		
Approved on June 1, 2017. Chapter 280	Effective July 1, 2017	There is a potential for some minimal impact.

AB319 Revises provisions governing the guardianship of minors. (BDR 13-502)		
Departments: District Court, Juvenile Services, Public Guardian, Social Services		
This bill affects primarily two areas regarding minor guardianships: appointment of a guardian ad litem or advocate, and providing an investigator report to the court regarding a minor guardianship. The county must compensate the guardian ad litem if the minor child is indigent. Over 60% of children in custody are considered indigent so it is assumed the county would have to make this payment. Provides for the court to determine proper venue of guardianship proceedings, transcript and all original papers certified by the clerk of the court to be sent to the proper clerk of the court in the new county. Certain protected information must be provided as identification and maintained in the records in a confidential manner. Allows a process for a petition to be filed to remove a guardian.		
Approved on May 26, 2017. Chapter 172	Effective July 1, 2017.	There is an additional \$1 charge to all recording fees to off-set the costs associated with this bill in SB433.
AB346 Enacts requirements relating to certain providers of child care. (BDR 38-283)		
Department: Social Services		
Creates new state licensure for child care facilities of 1-5 children, which currently the state does not license. Washoe County requires a license if the facility cares for more than 1 child. There could be a need to make changes to the Washoe County policy to better align with the state.		
Approved on June 2, 2017. Chapter 312	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB387 Revises provisions relating to social workers. (BDR 54-540)		
Department: Social Services		
Potentially may require policy and process change due to change in training hours.		
Approved on May 8, 2017. Chapter 14	Effective July 1, 2018 and expires by limitations on June 30, 2026	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB457 Revises provisions relating to certain professional licensing boards. (BDR 54-410)		
Department: Social Services		
This may impact internship opportunities and the department may be required to provide additional information or resources to get site approval. May require some process change.		
Approved on June 4, 2017. Chapter 363	Sections 1 to 31, inclusive, 33, 34, 35, 35.5, 36.5, and 37 of this act become effective June 4, 2017, for the purpose of adopting regulations and performing any other administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act and on January 1, 2018, for all other purposes. Sections 32 and 36 of this act become effective on October 1, 2017. Section 6, 14, 22 and 29 of this act and the amendatory provisions of section 9 of this act expire by limitation on December 31, 2019. Section 34.5 of this act becomes effective on January 1, 2020.	No fiscal impact to the county.
AB459 Authorizes a court to order certain blood and genetic testing concerning a child in need of protection. (BDR 38-1026)		
Department: Social Services		
Will make paternity establishment and genetic testing more expeditious.		
Approved on May 27, 2017. Chapter 188	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county as we are already in compliance with this bill.

AB491 Revises provisions relating to the education of children in foster care. (BDR 34-718)		
Department: Social Services		
Provisions in this bill clarify federal legislation regarding educational stability at the state and local levels for youth in foster care, as enacted through the Every Student Succeeds Act. These provisions apply to state and local child welfare and education agencies and the processes by which the educational needs of foster children are jointly served.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 488	Effective July 1, 2017	The fiscal impact affecting WCDSS includes administrative costs involved in processing the Title IVE reimbursement.
SB2 Revises provisions relating to the surrender of a newborn child to a provider of emergency services. (BDR 38-39)		
Department: Social Service		
This bill clarifies that parents who surrender their infant in accordance with the "Safe Haven Law" to a provider of emergency services or hospital will not have their confidential information recorded and shared during the process of the child welfare agency taking custody and termination of parental rights occurring. The bill specifies that while an unknown parent will need to have the notice of termination published, the parent(s) who surrender the child surrender their right to court notice and appearance regarding custody actions. This does not apply in cases where abuse or neglect may have occurred and an investigation is appropriate. Bill clarifies the responsibility of care takers, medical staff and child welfare agency staff as well as the legal requirements regarding children that are surrendered in these circumstances and helps to protect their anonymity and their birth parents'. This provides direction and legal protection that doesn't currently exists but more importantly, helps to prevent complicated legal issues between birth and possible adoptive families regarding custody due to sharing of confidential information when the intent is for this to be protected.		
Approved on May 26, 2017. Chapter 152	Effective October 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB40 Revises provisions relating to the registration of child custody determinations from outside Nevada. (BDR 11-401)		
Departments: Alternative Public Defender, District Court and Social Services		
Allows for a foreign support orders to be enforced.		
Approved on May 19, 2017. Chapter 51	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB46 Revises provisions governing background checks of operators, employees and certain adult residents of a child care facility. (BDR 38-131)		
Department: Social Services		
Expands the crimes that must be considered when hiring employees who will be working with children 18 years and under.		
Approved on May 30, 2017. Chapter 218	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.

SB71 Revises provisions relating to medical facilities, facilities for the dependent and certain other facilities. (BDR 40-183)		
Department: Social Services		
This bill changes the definition of "psychiatric hospital". The term hospice is added into the definition and removes the requirement of residential stay to fit the category. This enables and requires facilities providing psychiatric services that are non-residential to be licensed and meet minimum requirements for compliance and monitoring by the licensing authority established by the State. In turn, this requires consistent oversight. Hospice programs are also included in this service provision.		
Approved on June 3, 2017. Chapter 326	Effective July 1, 2017.	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB91 Revises provisions relating to drug donation programs. (BDR 40-271)		
Department: Social Services		
Combines the cancer and HIV/AIDS drug donation programs and broadens the program to include most drugs but has a specific ban on marijuana. This bill take a step in the right direction by assisting those patients who would otherwise be unable to afford these drugs.		
Approved on March 30, 2017. Chapter 7	Effective January 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB121 Directs the Legislative Commission to appoint a committee to conduct an interim study concerning issues regarding the behavioral and cognitive care needs of older persons. (BDR S-63)		
Department: Social Services		
This bill calls for an interim study to look at issues regarding the behavioral health and cognitive care needs of older persons. Any focus on the needs of the elderly is positive and would support the effort. It is also encouraging that this looks at this as a stand-alone population. The senior population is impacted differently by these issues.		
Approved on June 9, 2017. Chapter 522	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB123 Revises provisions relating to the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman. (BDR 38-507)		
Department: Social Services		
Allows for the Long-Term Care Ombudsman to comment on or monitor the development and implementation of any county or other governmental action or program related to the protection of residents in long-term care. They are also able to recommend changes to any activity or program.		
Approved on May 26, 2017. Chapter 155	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB189 Revises provisions relating to child care facilities. (BDR 38-61)		
Department: Social Services		
This bill makes significant language changes in multiple areas of NRS 432A which governs both child care facilities and institutions including training requirements, background checks and licensing criteria. This could present a staff and economic barrier to services to children in these facilities and restrict frequency or eliminate these opportunities.		
Approved on June 14, 2017. Chapter 587	Effective upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting regulations and performing any other preparatory tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and on January 1, 2018, for all other purposes.	Potential fiscal impact for staffing.

SB192 Establishes required hours of operation for certain mobile mental health units. (BDR 39-816)		
Department: Social Services		
This bill requires the expansion of hours of operation of the Mobile Outreach Safety Team (MOST) from 8 am to midnight, 7 days a week, including holidays. Washoe County has contracted with the state to provide these services. This bill allows us to add mental health staff in order to cover significantly more hours of operation.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 455	Section 2 and 3 effective on July 1, 2017. Section 1 effective on July 1, 2017, for the purpose of adopting regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative tasks necessary to carry out the provisions of that section and on October 1, 2017, for all other purposes.	Gives the State money to help with the costs for all MOST programs. Which Washoe can receive part of the funds. For FY 17-18 there is an allocation of \$1,400,528 and for FY 18-19 there is an allocation of \$1,417,080
SB212 Revises provisions governing the welfare of pupils. (BDR 34-674)		
Department: Social Services		
The bill establishes a team to address suicide or threat of suicide within a school and to consult with mental health service providers in such events. Further, a hotline to report dangerous, unlawful or violent activity within a school.		
Approved on June 12, 2017. Chapter 561	Effective July 1, 2018	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB213 Revises provisions relating to education. (BDR 34-583)		
Department: Social Services		
Provisions in this bill would benefit children in Department custody through court appointed Surrogate for special education services. Currently, agency staff may not serve as a surrogate at times delaying needed evaluations and services for youth who were victims of child maltreatment. This bill authorizes the dependency court to appoint a surrogate when needed. The bill further strengthens the local education agencies requirement to provide special education services as outlined in federal law or be subject to action. This may benefit foster children served by special education services in being able to investigate possible deviations and improvement action plans. Also expands background searches (pre and post employment) to volunteers as well as charter and private schools. It further requires that a check of the Central Registry be completed and that the information may be used in employment related decisions.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 493	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB237 Revises provisions relating to the protection of children. (BDR 38-469)		
Departments: District Court and Social Services		
This bill requires the court to ascertain whether the public child welfare agency attempted to develop an in-home safety plan to prevent the removal of a child. WCDSS diligently assesses whether an in-home safety plan can be deployed in all child removals therefore the bill is consistent with agency practice.		
Approved on May 26, 2017. Chapter 182	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB257 Revises provisions relating to the welfare of children. (BDR 38-662)		
Department: Social Services		
Expands the rights of children placed in foster care; creates the Normalcy for Foster Youth Account in the State General Fund and authorizes money in the Account to be used to provide opportunities for children to participate in certain activities.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 457	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county. These services are already provided by the county.

SB274 Revises provisions relating to sibling visitation in child welfare cases. (BDR 38-925)		
Departments: District Court, Social Services		
Allows a sibling to inspect certain court records regarding their sibling(s). This bill will strengthen post-adoption agreements between the natural parents and adoptive parents, and provide siblings separated by adoption recourse through the court to establish and enforce sibling visitation agreements. Program impacts may include delayed adoption finalization due to sibling visitation litigation. Currently it takes approximately 3-4 months to get a TPR hearing. Adding these additional hearings could take up to 6 months. It is possible enforcement of post-adoption agreements may influence prospective adoptions. Department staff will need to be very clear to adoptive parents that post-adoption agreements are enforceable and should the agreement not be followed court costs could be incurred by the adoptive parent. There will be a filing fee of not more than \$1 for any post-adoptive contact petition filed.		
Approved on June 3, 2017. Chapter 330	Effective July 1, 2017	There could be a potential fiscal impact, but at this time there is no way to determine what if any that would be.
SB287 Revises provisions relating to the protection of children. (BDR 38-609)		
Department Social Services		
Requires school employees and volunteers to report the abuse or neglect of a child and certain other prohibited acts; requires child welfare agencies to investigate such a report and forward a substantiated report to the Statewide Central Registry for the Collection of Information Concerning the Abuse or Neglect of a Child; authorizes a person to appeal the substantiation of such a report; revises certain provisions concerning background checks conducted on certain educational personnel and volunteers.		
Approved on June 3, 2017. Chapter 338	Effective July 1, 2017	Difficult to determine exact, however could be significant due to the expansion of the definition of a caregiver to allow the general public to make reports when it is believed a student has been subjected in part to a physical or mental injury of a non-accidental nature.
SB325 Revises provisions governing medical assistance to certain children. (BDR 38-941)		
Department: Social Services		
Extends the State Plan for Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program. This could assist county residents in having health coverage and reduce those for whom county indigent funds are spent.		
Approved on June 15, 2017. Chapter 593	Effective July 1, 2017	No anticipated fiscal impact to the county. There is the possibility of a reduction in county costs associated with the bill.
SB360 Revises provisions relating to the protection of older persons, vulnerable persons and persons in need of a guardian. (BDR 15-965)		
Departments: District Court, Guardian and Social Services		
Strengthens NRS dealing with the exploitation of the elderly or vulnerable adults, it mandates and increases penalties for infractions and adds language to the immunity clause for mandated reporters outlined below. It also creates a "Wards Bill of Rights" which the court must make available to the public, maintain a copy for reproduction and distribution, post a copy in a conspicuous place in the court and online.		
Approved on June 5, 2017. Chapter 387	Section 9.1 effective June 5, 2017. Sections 4 to 7, inclusive, and 8 effective June 5, 2017 for the purpose of performing any preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of those sections; and on January 1, 2018, for all other purposes. Sections 1 to 3.5, inclusive, and 7.5 effective on October 1, 2017.	There will be a minimal fiscal impact for the cost of having the Wards Bill of Rights posted in the courts as well as available for distribution.

SB400		
Authorizes the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services to enter into success contracts. (BDR 18-310)		
Department: Social Services		
Allows HHS to enter into a success contract with local governments. These contracts will require investment from the local government and can receive payment once certain objectives are met by the local government. The contracts will be awarded via competitive bidding process. The bid will include the proposed services to be offered, the desired outcomes and the proposed duration of the contract.		
Approved on June 8, 2017. Chapter 498	Effective June 8, 2017 for the purpose of adopting regulations and performing any other administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act and on January 1, 2018, for all other purposes.	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB432		
Revises provisions governing proceedings for the termination of parental rights. (BDR 38-475)		
Departments: District Court and Social Services		
This bill streamlines the Termination of Parental Rights process and would benefit children in permanency.		
Approved on June 12, 2017. Chapter 568	Effective January 1, 2018	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB433		
Revises provisions relating to guardianships. (BDR 13-487)		
Departments: Alternative Public Defender, District Court, Recorder and Social Services		
Changes the term "Ward" to "protected person" in NRS 159. Changes the filing fee to \$5 for a guardianship petition. Increased the recording fee by \$3 for legal services for a account to pay reasonable attorney fees related to guardianships when they cannot pay. Increases the recording fee by \$1 for district courts to pay for AB319.		
Approved on June 5, 2017. Chapter 390	Sections 1 to 36, inclusive, 38, 39, 40 and 41 effective on July 1, 2017. Section 37 effective on July 1, 2017, if, and only if, Assembly Bill No. 319 of this session is enacted by the Legislature and becomes effective.	With the changes to the fees in the bill there should be no fiscal impact to the county.
SB480		
Revises provisions relating to the protection of children. (BDR 38-1089)		
Department Social Services		
This bill would align statute with revised federal language in the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (specifically the Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act) requiring medical providers to report to a public child welfare agency infants exposed to prenatal substances, and for the child welfare agency to cause an assessment of the infant and development of a related plan of safe care.		
Approved on June 1, 2017. Chapter 264	Effective July 1, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county

SB510			Revises provision governing the eligibility of a child for assistance from the Kinship Guardianship Assistance Program. (BDR 38-901)		
Department: Social Services					
This bill provides language that changed previous qualification requirements for eligibility for the Kinship Guardianship Assistance Program. It eliminates the requirement that a child be eligible for maintenance payment of title 4E of the Social Security Act to be eligible for assistance. While this situation does not happen frequently - that a child is ineligible - this change will ensure that a financial barrier for the agency does not de-incentivize a family from being able to be considered to participate if it is in their best interest for permanency of the child(ren) in their family. Another provision in the language is that it clarifies - cites a more specific section in NRS424 definitions - that the family being considered for guardianship must be a licensed foster parent for six months prior to the guardianship being approved. This allows for a minimum safety threshold to be established and monitored before the Department seeks to close contact to annually through the approval of guardianship and assistance payments.					
Approved on May 31, 2017. Chapter 254	Effective May 31, 2017	No fiscal impact to the county.			
SB519			Makes supplemental appropriations to the Division of Child and Family Services of the Department of Health and Human Services for a projected shortfall for adoption subsidies. (BDR S-1181)		
Department: Social Services					
Appropriates from the State General Fund \$15,608 for the projected shortfall in the Washoe County Child Welfare account.					
Approved on May 30, 2017. Chapter 206	Effective May 30, 2017	Funds for our projected shortfall in the child welfare account.			



Bills Vetoed by the Governor and returning next legislative session:

SB106	Revises provisions governing the minimum wage required to be paid to employees in private employment in this State. (BDR 53-865)	
Department: Office of the County Manager		
Requires the Labor Commission to increase minimum wage by 75 cents per year for 5 years or until the minimum wage is \$12 or more if health insurance is not offered or \$11 or more if health insurance is offered. This will apply only to private employers.		
Vetoed on June 8, 2017	Return to 2019 Session	No fiscal impact to the county.
SB392	Revises provisions relating to energy. (BDR 58-663)	
Department: Office of the County Manager		
Creates a state incentive program of not more than \$1,000,000 per year for the installation of solar energy systems, community solar gardens and distributed generation systems which benefit low and moderate income customers.		
Vetoed on June 16, 2017.	Return to 2019 Session	No fiscal impact to the county.



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