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Relevant Updates on the Nevada Legislature

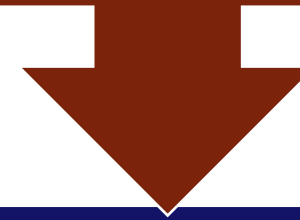
AB 73

~~Provides for additional sources of funding for services and affordable housing for persons who are homeless or indigent~~

Homelessness Working Group in Clark County

Originally, this bill was sponsored by The City of Las Vegas and would have (1) authorized Clark County to increase the Real Property Transfer Tax by \$0.25 on every \$500 of value on certain properties and (2) would have authorized Cities to increase the sewer surcharge up to \$25 annually to fund services and affordable housing for people who are homeless or indigent.

The Bill was amended in the Assembly and sponsorship was adopted by the Committee on Taxation and Assemblywomen Dina Neal



As amended, AB73 will require;

The Board of County Commissioners of Clark County and the governing bodies of each city in Clark County to create a working group to:

- (1) Consider methods to reduce homelessness in Clark County; and
- (2) identify sources of funding for programs created to reduce homelessness in Clark County
3. Prepare and submit a report to the Board and governing bodies on or before October 1, 2020, which sets forth these recommendations
4. Requires the Board and governing bodies to hold a public hearing on the report and set forth the reason for rejecting a recommendation in the report on the record at the public hearing

Last Action Taken

Passed Assembly. In the Senate Committee on Revenue and Economic Development

AB 174
Nevada
Interagency
Council on
Homelessness

Requires the
Department of
Health and Human
Services to provide
administrative
support to the
Council and for the
Council to

- Coordinate the response of state and local agencies to address homelessness
- Promote collaboration among these agencies to address homelessness
- Develop a Statewide Strategic Plan for addressing homelessness in Nevada
- Establish a technical assistance committee to provide advice and information to assist the Council
- Increase awareness of issues related to homelessness in this State

Last Action Taken

- Passed Assembly. In the Senate Committee on Government Affairs

AB 363

Promoting Homeless Youths' Access to Vital Records

1

Provides a one-time fee waiver for state ID cards and driver licenses for homeless youth under age 25

2

Allows school district liaisons and social workers to acquire youth's birth certificates at no cost

3

Allows unaccompanied youth to obtain statements of birth at no cost for the purpose of admission to school or securing employment

Last Action Taken

Passed Assembly. In Senate and referred to the Senate Committee on Growth and Infrastructure.

Heard on May 2nd in the Senate Committee on Growth and Infrastructure

AB 461

Provide Assistance
to Homeless Youth
to Access
Opportunities for
Post-Secondary
Education

1

Creates a Liaison for Post-Secondary Education for Homeless Pupils within the Nevada System of Higher Education (NSHE)

2

Authorizes the Board of Regents to grant a waiver of registration and laboratory fees for homeless and unaccompanied pupils.

3

Conduct an annual analysis of homeless and unaccompanied pupils in the State to assess their needs

Last
Action
Taken

Passed Assembly. In the Senate Committee on Education.

AB 461-provide assistance to homeless youth to access opportunities for post-secondary education

- A database to track, monitor and analyze trends in the rates of graduation and retention of H/U pupils;
- Develop a model for college and career readiness for H/U pupils;
- Collaborate with persons at a high school responsible for H/U pupils
- Collaborate with high schools to identify H/U pupils to refer such pupils to appropriate support services after the admission of such pupils to an institution of higher education within this State;
- Establish connections between and collaborate with financial aid offices, student support services and campus housing services of institutions of higher education within this State;
- Identify and refer H/U pupils to mentoring programs;
- Increase awareness among teachers, instructors, professors and other staff members of institutions of higher education who work with pupils on issues relating to H/U pupils
- Establish a plan for housing H/U pupils when campus housing is not available, including, without establishing a list of host homes in the local community and keeping one or more campus housing buildings open.



SB 103

- Authorizes local governments to reduce or subsidize impact fees, fees for the issuance of building permits and fees imposed for the purpose for which an enterprise fund was created to assist in maintaining or developing a project for affordable housing if the project meets certain requirements and the governing body takes certain actions.
- Requires certain governing bodies to adopt at least six of the following measures:
 - Reducing or subsidizing in whole or in part impact fees and fees for the issuance of building permits collected and fees imposed for the purpose or which an enterprise fund was created.
 - Discounting, donating, or leasing land to developers for affordable housing
 - Requesting to purchase land owned by the Federal Government at a discounted price for the creation of affordable housing
 - Establishing a trust fund for affordable housing that must be used for the acquisition, construction or rehabilitation of affordable housing.
 - Establishing a process that expedites the approval of plans and specifications relating to maintaining and developing affordable housing.
 - Providing money, support or density bonuses for affordable housing developments that are financed, wholly or in part, with low-income housing tax credits, private activity bonds or money from a governmental entity for affordable housing
 - Providing financial incentives or density bonuses to promote appropriate Transit-oriented housing developments that would include an affordable housing component.
 - Providing direct financial assistance to qualified applicants for the purchase or rental of affordable housing.
 - Providing money for supportive services necessary to enable persons with supportive housing needs to reside in affordable housing in accordance with a need for supportive housing

Last Action Taken

Passed Senate. In the Assembly Committee on Government Affairs

SB 104

Improve the Current Statewide Low-Income Housing Database
Maintained by the Housing Division of the Department of Business and
Industry

Revises the current statewide low-income housing database maintained by the Housing Division of the Department of Business and Industry

Requires local governments to cooperate with the Housing Division to provide annual reports of information related to affordable housing for the statewide database

Last Action Taken

Passed Senate. In the Assembly Committee on Government Affairs

SB 147

Equal Opportunities for Pupils who are Homeless, in Foster Care, or Unaccompanied, to Graduate High School

- Ensure that homeless, unaccompanied, and foster care pupils equal opportunities to receive a high school diploma
- Requires each school district, including charter schools, to
 - Develop a procedure to identify pupils in these circumstances
 - Review the academic plan for each pupil and adjust the plan to maximize the progress of the pupil towards graduation
- Last Action Taken: Passed Senate. In Assembly and referred to Committee on Education



SB 151

Revises Provisions
Related to Certain
Proceedings
Concerning Property

Increases the period from 5 to 7
judicial days for a tenant to pay rent or
surrender the premises

Increases the period of removing a
tenant in default for rental payments
from 24 to 36 hours after court order

Last Action Taken

Passed Senate. In the Assembly
Committee on Judiciary

SB 398

Revises Provisions Relating to Affordable Housing

- Includes the development or redevelopment of affordable housing and any action taken to ensure the availability or affordability of housing as matters of local concern for a board of county commissioners or the governing body of a city
- States that these provisions do not prohibit a board of county commissioners or governing body from accepting a payment of money in lieu of the performance of an obligation imposed upon a person by ordinance
- Last Action Taken: In the Assembly Committee on Government Affair



SB 425
Medicaid
1915i

Requires the Director of DHHS to include in the State Plan for Medicaid an option to provide certain additional home and community-based services, including, to the extent authorized, tenancy support services

1. Governor's Budget includes a general fund budget request of \$621K in FY 2020 and \$1.3 million in FY 2021 for Medicaid 1915i waiver, which will generate additional federal and other funding totaling \$2.6 million in FY 2020 and \$5.2 million FY 2021.

SB 448
Nevada Affordable
Housing Tax Credit
Program

Creates the Nevada Affordable Housing Tax Credit Program



Over the course of 4 years, this program would annually create \$10 million in dollar-for-dollar state tax credits available to private developers. \$40 million in additional financing would greatly encourage housing developers to build affordable housing for low-income households. It is estimated this program would provide enough resources for an additional 600 affordable units, more than doubling the current annual production rate.



Last Action Taken

Passed Senate. In the Assembly Committee on Taxation

Policy Council on Homelessness

Vision Statement:

To identify local and state policy changes that will make homelessness rare, brief, and one time in Nevada and to advocate for the implementation of those policies

The Policy Council on Homelessness seeks to support policies that will

Decrease the number
of people experiencing
homelessness

Increase the
development of
affordable housing

Increase funding for
homeless and housing
related services in the
State of Nevada

Policy Council on Homelessness Members

Boyd Gaming

Credit One Bank

Downtown Vegas Alliance

Greater Las Vegas Real Estate Association

Guinn Center

Help of Southern Nevada

Impact Nevada

Las Vegas Sands Corp.

Nevada Homeless Alliance

Nevada Partnership for Homeless Youth

Northern Nevada Continuum of Care (Ex-Officio)

Southern Nevada Continuum of Care (Ex-Officio)

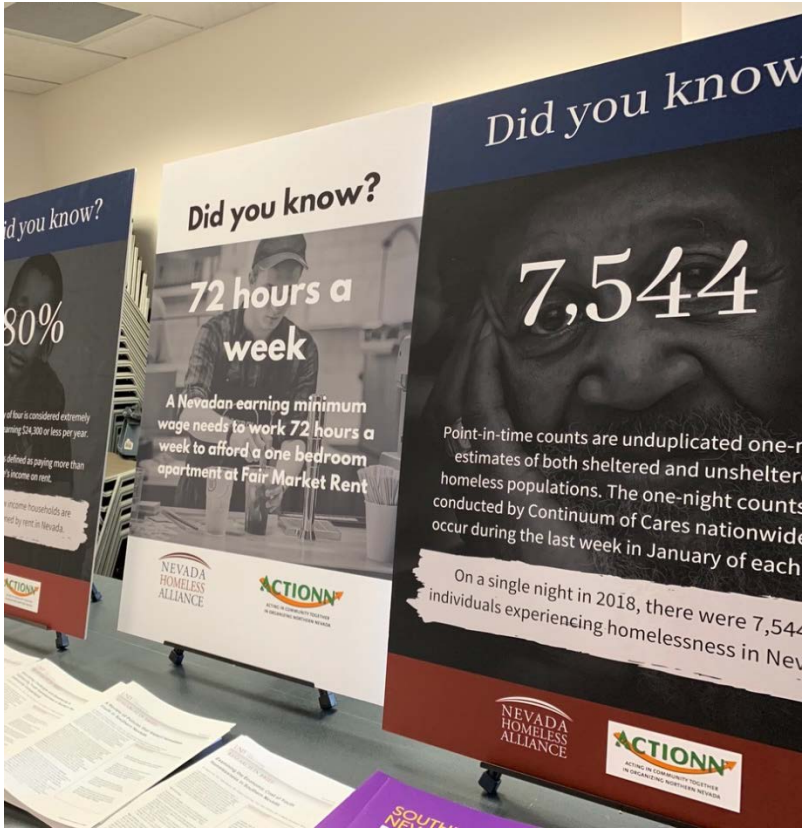
UNLV School of Social Work (Ex-Officio)

UNLV School of Public Policy (Ex-Officio)

Interagency Council on Homelessness (Ex-Officio)



Housing and Homelessness Awareness Day at the NV Legislature March 26th 2019



Lunch Panel on Affordable Housing and Homelessness



Bill Hearings on AB 174 and SB 448

Discussion: Next Steps for Education and Action