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# STATE OF NEVADA BOARD OF EXAMINERS

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# **MEETING MINUTES**

Date and Time:

August 13, 2024, 10:00 AM

Location:

Old Assembly Chambers of the Capitol Building 101 North Carson Street Carson City, Nevada 89701

Video Conference Location: 1 Harrahs Court, Governor's Conference Room Las Vegas, Nevada 89119

#### MEMBERS PRESENT:

Governor Joe Lombardo Secretary of State Francisco V. Aguilar

#### STAFF PRESENT:

Amy Stephenson, Clerk of the Board David Johnson, Deputy Director, Governor's Finance Office Rosalie Bordelove, Board Counsel

#### **OTHERS PRESENT:**

Chris Sewell, Director, Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation

# 1. Call to Order / Roll Call

**Governor:** Let's call to order the State of Nevada Board of Examiners' meeting scheduled for today, August 13, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. We will kick it off with the roll call. Ms. Stephenson.

Clerk of the Board: Governor Lombardo.

Governor: Present.

Clerk of the Board: Secretary Aguilar.

Secretary of State: Here.

**Clerk of the Board:** Let the record reflect that Attorney General Ford is absent and we have a quorum.

2. Public Comment The first public comment period is limited to comments on items on the agenda. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this public comment period unless the matter itself has been specifically included on the agenda as an action item. The Chair of the Board has imposed a time limit of three minutes. Public comment may be provided in person or via telephone. To provide public comment on an item on the agenda via telephone, dial 775-321-6111 or 702-329-3435. When prompted to provide the meeting ID, please enter 141 725 200#. When the Chair opens the public comment period, dial \*5 to request to be unmuted. To resolve any issues related to dialing in to provide public comment for this meeting, please call (775) 684-0222.

**Governor:** We'll move on to agenda item number 2, *Public Comment*. This is the first opportunity for public comment. The first public comment period is limited to comments on items on the agenda. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this public comment period unless the matter itself has been specifically included on the agenda as an action item. I will impose a three-minute time limit to public comment. Public comments may be provided in person or via telephone. The phone number is 775-321-6111 or 702-329-3435. The meeting ID number in order to access is 141 725 200#. Do we have any public comment there in Carson City?

David Johnson: I see no public comment, Governor.

Governor: Do we have any public comment here in Las Vegas? Seeing none.

Do we have anybody on the phone?

David Johnson: No, sir.

Governor: We will close agenda item number 2.

# 3. Approval of the July 9, 2024 Meeting Minutes (For possible action)

**Governor:** Moving on to agenda item number 3, *Approval of the July 9, 2024 Meeting Minutes*. Do we have any questions or concerns on the meeting minutes?

Secretary of State: No, motion to approve.

**Governor:** We have a motion for approval. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

#### 4. State Vehicle Purchases (For possible action)

Pursuant to NRS 334.010, no automobile may be purchased by any department, office, bureau, officer, or employee of the state without prior written consent of the State Board of Examiners.

| AGENCY NAME   | # OF<br>VEHICLES | NOT TO<br>EXCEED: |
|---|------------------|-------------------|
| Department of Administration – Fleet Services<br>Division | 5                | \$370,609         |

Governor: Moving on to agenda item number 4, State Vehicle Purchases.

**Clerk of the Board:** There's one request under agenda item number 4. The Department of Administration, Fleet Services Division requests approval to purchase five replacement vehicles for a total amount not to exceed \$370,609. Are there any questions on this item?

Secretary of State: No questions.

**Governor:** Are there any questions?

Secretary of State: No, motion to approve.

**Governor:** We have a motion for approval. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

#### 5. Authorization for an Emergency Contract with a Current and/or Former State Employee (For possible action)

#### A. Department of Transportation

Pursuant to NRS 333.705, subsection 4, the department seeks a favorable recommendation regarding its determination to use the emergency provision to contract with former employee Michelle Austin to provide design, mounting, and printing services through statewide contract #99SWC-NV21-7577 with HAT Limited Partnership dba Manpower.

#### **B.** Department of Transportation

Pursuant to NRS 333.705, subsection 4, the department seeks a favorable recommendation regarding its determination to use the emergency provision to contract with former employee Barron Lauderbaugh to serve as interim multimedia division chief through statewide contract #99SWC-NV21-7577 with HAT Limited Partnership dba Manpower.

**Governor:** We'll move on to agenda item number 5, *Authorization for an Emergency Contract with a Current and/or Former State Employee*.

**Clerk of the Board:** There are two requests under this agenda item. The first request is from the Department of Transportation. Pursuant to NRS 333.705, subsection 4, the department seeks a favorable recommendation regarding its determination to use the emergency provision to contract with former employee Michelle Austin to provide design, mounting, and printing services on a part-time basis through Manpower.

The second request is also from the Department of Transportation. Pursuant to NRS 333.705, subsection 4, the department seeks a favorable recommendation regarding its determination to use the emergency provision to contract with former employee Barron Lauderbaugh to also provide design, mounting, and printing services on a part-time basis through Manpower. Are there any questions on these items?

**Governor:** Do we have any questions?

Secretary of State: No questions.

**Governor:** Do we have a motion?

Secretary of State: Motion to approve.

**Governor:** We have a motion. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

6. Authorization to Contract with a Current and/or Former State Employee (For possible action)

#### **State Board of Pharmacy**

Pursuant to NRS 333.705, subsection 1, the board requests authority to contract with former employee Ryan Miller to provide training services through Timberwolf, LLC.

**Governor:** We will move on to agenda item number 6, *Authorization to Contract with a Current and/or Former State Employee*.

**Clerk of the Board:** Thank you, sir. Pursuant to NRS 333.705, subsection 1, the Board of Pharmacy requests authority to contract with former employee Ryan Miller to provide training services on a part-time basis through Timberwolf, LLC. Are there any questions on this item?

**Governor:** Do we have any questions?

Secretary of State: No questions.

**Governor:** I'll entertain a motion for approval.

Secretary of State: Motion to approve.

**Governor:** We have a motion. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

# 7. Request for the Allocation and Disbursement of Funds for Salary Adjustments (For possible action)

The 2023 Legislature, through Assembly Bill 522, made appropriations from the General Fund and the Highway Fund to the Board of Examiners to meet salary deficiencies that may be created between the appropriated money of the State's respective departments, commissions, and agencies and the salary requirements for the personnel of those departments, commissions, and agencies. The Board of Examiners, upon recommendation of the Director of the Governor's Finance Office, may allocate and disburse amounts, from the appropriate fund, to the departments, commissions, and agencies of the State for the purpose of paying personnel salary deficiencies.

The following department, commission, and agency requests for allocations from the General Fund and/or Highway Fund salary adjustment accounts are recommended by the Director of Finance:

#### A. Judicial Discipline Commission

Pursuant to AB 522, section 4 of the 2023 Legislative Session, the commission requests funds for salary increases.

| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME            | GENERAL FUND<br>ADJUSTMENT |
|------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1497 | Judicial Discipline Commission | \$67,233                   |
|      | Total                          | \$67,233                   |

#### **B.** Office of the Governor

Pursuant to AB 522, section 5 of the 2023 Legislative Session, the office requests funds for salary increases.

| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME | GENERAL FUND<br>ADJUSTMENT |
|------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| 1001 | Mansion Maintenance | \$17,281                   |
|      | Total               | \$17,281                   |

#### C. Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs

Pursuant to AB 522, section 5 of the 2023 Legislative Session, the department requests funds for salary increases.

| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME       | GENERAL FUND<br>ADJUSTMENT |
|------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| 2941 | Museums and History Admin | \$1,728                    |
|      | Total                     | \$1,728                    |

#### D. Office of the Attorney General

Pursuant to AB 522, section 8 of the 2023 Legislative Session, the office requests funds for salary increases.

| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME | GENERAL FUND<br>ADJUSTMENT |
|------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| 1348 | Tort Claim Fund     | \$22,247                   |
|      | Total               | \$22,247                   |

#### E. Office of the Military – Division of Emergency Management

Pursuant to AB 522, section 8 of the 2023 Legislative Session, the office requests funds for salary increases.

| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME         | GENERAL FUND<br>ADJUSTMENT |
|------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 3675 | Office of Homeland Security | \$8,379                    |
|      | Total                       | \$8,379                    |

# F. Department of Health and Human Service – Division of Public and Behavioral Health

Pursuant to AB 522, sections 4 and 5 of the 2023 Legislative Session, the department requests funds for salary increases.

| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME   | GENERAL FUND<br>ADJUSTMENT |
|------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| 3645 | Lakes Crossing Center | \$36,316                   |
|      | Total                 | \$36,316                   |

#### G. Department of Administration – Director's Office

Pursuant to AB 522, section 8 of the 2023 Legislative Session, the department requests funds for salary increases.

| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME | GENERAL FUND<br>ADJUSTMENT |
|------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| 1337 | Director's Office   | \$33,155                   |
|      | Total               | \$33,155                   |

#### H. Department of Administration – State Public Works Division

Pursuant to AB 522, sections 5 and 9 of the 2023 Legislative Session, the department requests funds for salary increases.

| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME             | GENERAL FUND<br>ADJUSTMENT |
|------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1540 | SPWD Administration             | \$10,119                   |
| 1560 | Facility Condition and Analysis | \$25,416                   |
|      | Total                           | \$35,535                   |

#### I. Department of Sentencing Policy

Pursuant to AB 522, sections 4 and 5 of the 2023 Legislative Session, the department requests funds for salary increases.

| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME             | GENERAL FUND<br>ADJUSTMENT |
|------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1010 | Department of Sentencing Policy | \$15,470                   |
|      | Total                           | \$15,470                   |

#### J. Nevada Department of Agriculture

Pursuant to AB 522, sections 4 and 5 of the 2023 Legislative Session, the department requests funds for salary increases.

| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME         | GENERAL FUND<br>ADJUSTMENT |
|------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 4550 | Veterinary Medical Services | \$38,329                   |
|      | Total                       | \$38,329                   |

#### K. Office of the Attorney General

Pursuant to AB 522, section 5 of the 2023 Legislative Session, the office requests funds for salary increases.

| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME     | GENERAL FUND<br>ADJUSTMENT |
|------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1002 | Extradition Coordinator | \$6,888                    |
| 1030 | Administrative Account  | \$809,901                  |
| 1036 | Crime Prevention        | \$8,323                    |
|      | Total                   | \$825,112                  |

#### L. Department of Corrections

Pursuant to AB 522, section 5 of the 2023 Legislative Session, the department requests funds for salary increases.

| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME                   | GENERAL FUND<br>ADJUSTMENT |
|------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 3717 | Northern Nevada Correctional Center   | \$439,237                  |
| 3760 | Casa Grande Transitional Housing      | \$262,346                  |
|      | Florence McClure Women's Correctional | \$668,233                  |
| 3761 | Center                                |                            |
| 3762 | High Desert State Prison              | \$1,179,748                |
|      | Total                                 | \$2,549,564                |

#### **M.** Department of Corrections

Pursuant to AB 522, sections 21 and 22 of the 2023 Legislative Session, the department requests funds for salary increases.

|      |                                       | GENERAL FUND |
|------|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME                   | ADJUSTMENT   |
| 3722 | Stewart Conservation Camp             | \$30,726     |
| 3748 | Jean Conservation Camp                | \$104,736    |
| 3751 | Ely State Prison                      | \$1,804,950  |
| 3754 | Tonopah Conservation Camp             | \$3,849      |
| 3761 | Florence McClure Women's Correctional | \$35,942     |
|      | Center                                |              |
| 3762 | High Desert State Prison              | \$94,812     |
|      | Total                                 | \$2,075,015  |

#### N. Office of the Attorney General

Pursuant to AB 522, section 23 of the 2023 Legislative Session, the office requests funds for salary increases.

|      |                        | GENERAL FUND |
|------|------------------------|--------------|
| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME    | ADJUSTMENT   |
| 1030 | Administrative Account | \$619,338    |
| 1036 | Crime Prevention       | \$48,015     |
| 1038 | Consumer Advocate      | \$10,890     |
|      | Total                  | \$678,243    |

#### **O.** Department of Administration – Deferred Compensation

Pursuant to AB 522, section 36, subsection 4, of the 2023 Legislative Session, the department requests funds for the plan to encourage continuity of service.

| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME   | GENERAL FUND<br>ADJUSTMENT |
|------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| 1017 | Deferred Compensation | \$550                      |
|      | Total                 | \$550                      |

#### P. Department of Administration – Administrative Services Division

Pursuant to AB 522, section 36, subsection 4, of the 2023 Legislative Session, the department requests funds for the plan to encourage continuity of service.

| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME              | GENERAL FUND<br>ADJUSTMENT |
|------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1371 | Administrative Services Division | \$7,504                    |
|      | Total                            | \$7,504                    |

#### Q. Department of Administration – Division of Human Resource Management

Pursuant to AB 522, section 36, subsection 4, of the 2023 Legislative Session, the department requests funds for the plan to encourage continuity of service.

| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME        | GENERAL FUND<br>ADJUSTMENT |
|------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
|      | Division of Human Resource |                            |
| 1363 | Management                 | \$22,993                   |
|      | Total                      | \$22,993                   |

#### **R.** Department of Administration – Director's Office

Pursuant to AB 522, section 36, subsection 4, of the 2023 Legislative Session, the department requests funds for the plan to encourage continuity of service.

| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME | GENERAL FUND<br>ADJUSTMENT |
|------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| 1337 | Director's Office   | \$1,223                    |
|      | Total               | \$1,223                    |

#### S. Department of Administration – State Public Works Division

Pursuant to AB 522, section 36, subsection 1, of the 2023 Legislative Session, the department requests funds for the plan to encourage continuity of service.

| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME             | GENERAL FUND<br>ADJUSTMENT |
|------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1540 | SPWD Administration             | \$558                      |
| 1560 | Facility Condition and Analysis | \$1,549                    |
|      | Total                           | \$2,107                    |

#### T. Department of Administration – Fleet Services Division

Pursuant to AB 522, section 36, subsection 1, of the 2023 Legislative Session, the department requests funds for the plan to encourage continuity of service.

| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME     | GENERAL FUND<br>ADJUSTMENT |
|------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1354 | Fleet Services Division | \$7,777                    |
|      | Total                   | \$7,777                    |

#### U. Department of Administration – Mail Services Division

Pursuant to AB 522, section 36, subsection 1, of the 2023 Legislative Session, the department requests funds for the plan to encourage continuity of service.

| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME    | GENERAL FUND<br>ADJUSTMENT |
|------|------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1346 | Mail Services Division | \$9,716                    |
|      | Total                  | \$9,716                    |

#### V. Department of Sentencing Policy

Pursuant to AB 522, section 36, subsection 1, of the 2023 Legislative Session, the department requests funds for the plan to encourage continuity of service.

| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME             | GENERAL FUND<br>ADJUSTMENT |
|------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1010 | Department of Sentencing Policy | \$447                      |
|      | Total                           | \$447                      |

#### W. Nevada System of Higher Education

Pursuant to AB 522, section 36, subsection 3, of the 2023 Legislative Session, the system requests funds for the plan to encourage continuity of service.

|      |                                       | GENERAL FUND   |
|------|---------------------------------------|----------------|
| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME                   | ADJUSTMENT     |
| 2977 | NSHE - Special Projects               | \$933.00       |
| 2980 | University of Nevada, Reno            | \$280,823.00   |
| 2982 | UNR School of Medicine                | \$22,581.98    |
| 2983 | Intercollegiate Athletics - UNR       | \$287.00       |
| 2985 | Statewide Programs - UNR              | \$6,315.24     |
| 2986 | NSHE System Administration            | \$6,251.00     |
| 2987 | University of Nevada, Las Vegas       | \$442,472.00   |
| 2988 | Intercollegiate Athletics - UNLV      | \$5,427.00     |
| 2989 | Agricultural Experiment Station - UNR | \$3,166.71     |
| 2990 | Cooperative Extension Service         | \$963.27       |
| 2991 | System Computing Center               | \$26,281.00    |
| 2992 | UNLV Law School                       | \$16,295.80    |
| 2994 | Great Basin College                   | \$17,863.36    |
| 2996 | University Press                      | \$430.65       |
| 3001 | Statewide Programs – UNLV             | \$2,491.00     |
| 3002 | UNLV Dental School                    | \$13,944.45    |
| 3003 | Business Center North                 | \$3,182.28     |
| 3004 | Business Center South                 | \$2,234.38     |
| 3005 | Nevada State University               | \$21,976.00    |
| 3010 | Desert Research Institute             | \$10,187.00    |
| 3011 | College of Southern Nevada            | \$235,894.76   |
| 3012 | Western Nevada College                | \$23,485.00    |
| 3014 | UNLV School of Medicine               | \$11,831.39    |
| 3018 | Truckee Meadows Community College     | \$71,002.00    |
| 3221 | Health Laboratory and Research        | \$1,852.04     |
|      | Total                                 | \$1,228,171.31 |

#### X. Judicial Discipline Commission

Pursuant to AB 522, section 36, subsection 1, of the 2023 Legislative Session, the commission requests funds for the plan to encourage continuity of service.

| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME | GENERAL FUND<br>ADJUSTMENT |
|------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| 1497 | Judicial Discipline | \$1,504                    |
|      | Total               | \$1,504                    |

#### Y. Department of Public Safety – Parole Board

Pursuant to AB 522, section 36, subsection 1, of the 2023 Legislative Session, the department requests funds for the plan to encourage continuity of service.

| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME | GENERAL FUND<br>ADJUSTMENT |
|------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| 3800 | Parole Board        | \$9,086                    |
|      | Total               | \$9,086                    |

#### Z. Office of the Attorney General

Pursuant to AB 522, section 36, subsection 4, of the 2023 Legislative Session, the office requests funds for the plan to encourage continuity of service.

|      |                                       | GENERAL FUND |
|------|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME                   | ADJUSTMENT   |
|      | Office of the Attorney General – Tort |              |
| 1348 | Claim Fund                            | \$2,856      |
|      | Total                                 | \$2,856      |

#### AA. Office of the Attorney General

Pursuant to AB 522, section 36, subsection 1, of the 2023 Legislative Session, the office requests funds for the plan to encourage continuity of service.

| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME     | GENERAL FUND<br>ADJUSTMENT |
|------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1002 | Extradition Coordinator | \$507                      |
| 1030 | Administrative Account  | \$66,891                   |
| 1036 | Crime Prevention        | \$95                       |
|      | Total                   | \$67,493                   |

#### **BB.** Office of the Military

Pursuant to AB 522, section 36, subsection 4, of the 2023 Legislative Session, the office requests funds for the plan to encourage continuity of service.

| BA#  | BUDGET ACCOUNT NAME          | HIGHWAY FUND<br>ADJUSTMENT |
|------|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 3675 | Military – Homeland Security |                            |
|      |                              | \$710                      |
|      | Total                        | \$710                      |

**Governor:** We'll move on to agenda item number 7, *Request for the Allocation and Disbursement of Funds for Salary Adjustments*.

**Clerk of the Board:** There are 28 requests under this agenda item. The 2023 Legislature, through Assembly Bill 522, made appropriations from the General Fund and the Highway Fund to the Board of Examiners to meet salary deficiencies that may be created between the appropriated money of the State's respective departments, commissions, and agencies, and the salary requirements for the personnel of those departments, commissions, and agencies. Requests A through N relate to salary increases. Requests O through BB relate to the plan to encourage continuity of service. Are there any questions on any of these items?

Governor: Are there any questions?

Secretary of State: Motion to approve.

**Governor:** We have a motion for approval. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

8. Request for Approval to Pay a Tort Claim from the Tort Claim Fund Pursuant to NRS 41.036 (For possible action)

Pursuant to NRS 41.036, the Office of the Attorney General submits the following Tort Claim request for approval:

Claimant: Troylette Burton, Thayer Burton and the Estate of Thayer Joseph Burton Claim No: TC 21114 Settlement Amount: \$975,000 Date of Loss: May 15, 2018

**Governor:** We'll move on to agenda item number 8, *Request for Approval to Pay a Tort Claim from the Tort Claim Fund Pursuant to NRS 41.036*.

**Clerk of the Board:** Pursuant to NRS 41.036, the Office of the Attorney General submits the following Tort Claims request for approval. Claimant: Troylette Burton, Thayer Burton and the Estate of Thayer Joseph Burton; Claim No: TC 21114; Settlement Amount: \$975,000; Date of Loss was May 15, 2018. Any questions on this item?

Governor: Do we have any questions?

Secretary of State: No questions.

**Governor:** I'll entertain a motion for approval.

Secretary of State: Motion to approve.

**Governor:** We have a motion. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

9. Request for Reimbursement from the Statutory Contingency Account (For possible action)

#### Secretary of State's Office

Pursuant to NRS 298.710, the office requests the Board's approval for an allocation of \$1,333,707 from the Statutory Contingency Account to reimburse the cost of the Presidential Preference Primary Election.

**Governor:** We move on to agenda item number 9, *Request for Reimbursement from the Statutory Contingency Account.* 

**Clerk of the Board:** Pursuant to NRS 298.710, the Secretary of State's Office requests the Board's approval for an allocation of \$1,333,707 from the Statutory Contingency Account to reimburse the cost of the Presidential Preference Primary Election. Are there any questions on this item?

Secretary of State: The question is, I can make a motion and vote on it. Correct?

**Rosalie Bordelove:** Yes. Since it's generally within your office and doesn't benefit you personally.

**Governor:** I'll motion for approval. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

## 10. Approval of Proposed Leases (For possible action)

Governor: Agenda item number 10, Approval of Proposed Leases.

**Clerk of the Board:** There are three leases under agenda item number 10 for the approval by the Board. I would like to note that lease number 1 has been revised from the information on the agenda. The term end date has been revised from December 31, 2025 to December 31, 2024; and the total amount has been revised from \$1,641,222 to \$534,916.80.

**Governor:** Are there any questions or comments?

Secretary of State: No.

Governor: Do you want to make a motion for approval?

Secretary of State: Motion to approve proposed leases with number 1 as revised.

**Governor:** We have a motion for approval. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

### 11. Approval of Proposed Contracts (For possible action)

Governor: Moving on to agenda item number 11, Approval of Proposed Contracts.

**Clerk of the Board:** There are 52 contracts under agenda item number 11 for approval by the Board today. Are there any questions on any of these contracts?

**Governor:** I have a couple. So, under contract number 3, Secretary of the State's Office. Secretary, is that the BallotTrax software?

Secretary of State: It is. Yes. All issues have been resolved with the vendor.

**Governor:** Then, under number 49, Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation (DETR). I see I have Director Chris Sewell here. Chris, can you respond to the fact -- is this the artificial intelligence (AI) functionality?

Chris Sewell: Yes, it is, sir.

Governor: Can you walk me through that?

**Chris Sewell:** Sure. We've been working with Google for the last year on using AI to write our decisions for our appeals. Normally, an appeals hearing can last anywhere from an hour to three or four hours and writing the decision can last a minimum of one hour or more, depending on how complex it is. Working with Google AI, we can send Google a transcript of the hearing and Google can then take that transcript and write a decision within five minutes using AI. Then that decision will be sent back to the hearing officer for review. Next, and this is extremely important, AI will be writing the decision, but it will be reviewed by the

hearing officer before any decision is going out. There will be a human looking at that decision, making sure it is correct and making sure that all the facts are in the decision and then that hearing officer can make any adjustments and then eventually sign off on that decision.

So, this is actually going to cut down the amount of time it takes for our appeals hearing officers enormously on getting done with the hearing. This is going to also improve other areas in the State. I've talked with Tim Galluzi and he's very interested in using it in other areas. Another division and he is also interested in using AI to set up issues with medical determinations and getting those all put together. So, this is a game changer not only for DETR and citizens of Nevada, but long term, this is cutting edge technology for the State, and we've been working diligently for about a year on making sure it's correct. We have policies in place to make sure that no decision, nothing goes out, unless it's reviewed by a human.

Then, this is what is known as a frozen system, meaning, when you use, for example, ChatGPT, it goes out on the web, gathers all the information and brings it back in and answers your question. This is a frozen system. So, when we send something to Google AI, it's completely segregated, and it's totally fenced off from anything. We've made sure of that. We have our protocols in place for that, and then it will take what we teach it, and we've been going through this for the last year, as I said, and then give us an answer back. We've been using our old hearings as test cases and those have been coming back well above 99% accuracy. So, now we're ready to take the next step, sign the contract and get this going for the State.

Governor: Very good. Do you have any questions, Mr. Aguilar?

Secretary of State: No questions. Congratulations.

Governor: No further questions. I'll entertain a motion for approval.

Secretary of State: Motion to approve contracts as presented.

**Governor:** We have a motion for approval. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously. Thank you, Chris. I appreciate that.

# 12. Approval of Proposed Master Service Agreements (For possible action)

**Governor:** I'll move on to agenda item number 12, *Approval of Proposed Master Service Agreements*.

**Clerk of the Board:** There are 12 master service agreements under agenda item number 12 for the approval by the Board today. Are there any questions on any of these master service agreements?

Secretary of State: No questions.

**Governor:** I'll entertain a motion.

Secretary of State: Motion to approve.

**Governor:** We have a motion for approval. All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously.

# **13. Information Item – Clerk of the Board Contracts**

Pursuant to NRS 333.700, the Clerk of the Board may approve all contract transactions for amounts less than \$100,000. Per direction from the September 14, 2021 meeting of the Board of Examiners, the Board wished to receive an informational item listing all approvals applicable to the new threshold (\$10,000 - \$99,999). Attached is a list of all applicable approvals for contracts and amendments approved from June 12, 2024 through July 16, 2024.

**Governor:** We will move on to item number 13, Informational Item - Clerk of the Board Contracts.

**Clerk of the Board:** There are 80 contracts over \$10,000 and under the \$100,000 threshold that were approved by the Clerk of the Board between June 12, 2024 and July 16, 2024. This item is informational. Are there any questions on any of the contracts?

#### Secretary of State: No questions.

Governor: No questions. Thank you.

#### **14. Information Item Reports**

#### A. Governor's Finance Office – Budget Division

Pursuant to NRS Chapter 353, the division presents a reconciled fund balance report for the Tort Claim Fund, Statutory Contingency Account, Stale Claims Account, Emergency Account, Disaster Relief Account, and the IFC Contingency Fund as of July 19, 2024. Additionally, a reconciliation of the Extradition Coordinator, budget account 1002, has been prepared at the request of the Board.

Below is the available balance for each account prior to any projected outstanding claims:

| Tort Claim Fund                           | \$   | 1,584,502.70   |
|---|------|----------------|
| Statutory Contingency Account             | \$   | 3,955,493.72   |
| Stale Claims Account                      | \$   | 3,754,420.78   |
| Emergency Account                         | \$   | 500,000.00     |
| Disaster Relief Account                   | \$   | 12,406,726.22  |
| IFC Contingency Unrestricted General Fund | \$   | 13,177,831.03  |
| IFC Contingency Unrestricted Highway Fund | \$   | 1,184,685.35   |
| IFC Contingency Restricted General Fund   | \$ ´ | 129,396,724.00 |

| IFC Contingency Restricted Highway Fund     | \$<br>19,142,217.00 |
|---|---------------------|
| Extradition Coordinator Budget Account 1002 | \$<br>20,215.11     |

#### **B.** Department of Motor Vehicles – Complete Streets Program

Pursuant to NRS 482.1825, subsection 2, the department shall certify to the Board of Examiners the amount of the voluntary contributions collected for each county by the department and its agents, and that the money has been distributed as provided in statute. This submittal reports program activities by month for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2024 for the period beginning April 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2024.

Governor: We'll move on to agenda item number 14, Information Item Reports.

**Clerk of the Board:** There are two reports under agenda item number 14. The first report is from the Governor's Finance Office, Budget Division. Pursuant to NRS Chapter 353, the Governor's Finance Office Budget Division presents a reconciled fund balance report. The Tort Claim Fund, Statutory Contingency Account, Stale Claims Account, Emergency Account, Disaster Relief Account, and the IFC Contingency Fund as of July 19, 2024.

The following is the available balance for each account prior to any projected outstanding claims. Tort Claim Fund is \$1,584,502.70. Statutory Contingency Account is \$3,955,493.72. Stale Claims Account is \$3,754,420.78. Emergency Account is \$500,000. Disaster Relief Account is \$12,406,726.22. IFC Contingency Unrestricted General Fund is \$13,177,831.03. IFC Contingency Unrestricted Highway Fund is \$1,184,685.35. IFC Contingency Restricted General Fund is \$19,142,217. And the Extradition Coordinator Budget Account is \$20,215.11. Are there any questions on this report? There's one other report.

**Governor:** Ms. Stephenson, the Wildfire Prevention and/or Remediation or Response, is that coming out of the Disaster Relief Account?

**Clerk of the Board:** It's coming out of a few different ones. Yes, more than one.

**Governor:** So, you said this is not adjusted to include current approvals and/or all recent activity?

**Clerk of the Board:** Correct. This is as of July 19, and anything approved today will be taken from these balances.

**Governor:** Then, we haven't received the recent billings associated with the recent responses to the wildfire?

Clerk of the Board: Correct, but I can get you an update, sir.

**Governor:** No, that's fine. I'll get it via Emergency Management Services. That was just on 14.A. Correct?

#### Clerk of the Board: Correct.

Governor: Any questions there?

Secretary of State: No questions.

**Clerk of the Board:** The second report is from the Department of Motor Vehicles. Pursuant to NRS 482.1825, subsection 2, the department shall certify to the Board of Examiners the amount of the voluntary contributions collected for each County by the department and its agents, and that the money has been distributed as provided in statute. This submittal reports program activities by month for the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2024 for the period beginning April 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2024. Are there any questions on this report?

Governor: Do you have any questions?

**Secretary of State:** No questions. I have an informational question. This is random but a contract with Department of Transportation in the reconstruction of the I-15 – that was closed for two weekends in a row. They said they weren't able to complete the work on the second weekend. Are there penalty clauses in that for them when they are unable to complete the work? I understand they have to now close the freeway again.

**Governor:** You're asking if there is a penalty clause towards NDOT?

Secretary of State: No, towards the contractor who isn't responsible for the job.

**Clerk of the Board:** I'd have to find out on the specific contract. I will get back to you on that.

**Governor:** Is there anything else?

Secretary of State: No, that's it. Thank you.

**15. Public Comment** This public comment period is for any matter that is within the jurisdiction of the public body. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this public comment period unless the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an action item. The Chair of the Board has imposed a time limit of three minutes. Public comment may be provided in person or via telephone. To provide public comment on an item on the agenda via telephone, dial 775-321-6111 or 702-329-3435. When prompted to provide the meeting ID, please enter 141 725 200#. When the Chair opens the public comment period, dial \*5 to request to be unmuted. To resolve any issues related to dialing in to provide public comment for this meeting, please call (775) 684-0222.

**Governor:** We'll move to the item 15, *Public Comment*. This is the second opportunity for public comment. We limit the comments to three minutes. Do we have any public comment there in Carson City?

David Johnson: No, Governor.

**Governor:** Do we have any public comment here in Las Vegas? Seeing none.

Anything online or the phone?

David Johnson: No, sir.

Governor: We will close public comment.

# 16. Adjournment (For possible action)

Governor: Item 16, I will accept a motion for adjournment.

Secretary of State: Motion to adjourn.

**Governor:** All those in favor, signify by saying aye. The motion passes unanimously. We are adjourned. Thank you everybody.