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Commission Sets Priorities for Next Legislative Session

RENO, NEVADA (April 17, 2024) During the March 20th meeting of the Nevada Commission on Ethics, the Commissioners voted to refrain from submitting their own bill draft request in the upcoming 2025 legislative session. This decision comes after two consecutive legislative sessions where the Commission's proposed legislation garnered support, only to fail to become law after lawmakers amended the bill to exclude themselves from the Commission's oversight.

Despite this decision, the Commission affirms its dedication to supporting ethics legislation proposed during the 2025 session. The Commission will provide the necessary resources and expertise to enable the success of any legislation making positive changes to the Nevada Ethics Law.

"We recognize the importance of ethical governance in preserving public trust and accountability," stated Commission Chair Kim Wallin "While we may not be submitting our own bill next session, we stand ready to collaborate with lawmakers and stakeholders to advance meaningful ethics reforms for the benefit of all Nevadans."

Additionally, the Commission took the opportunity to set budget priorities for the next biennium during their meeting on April 17th. The priorities selected center on technology improvements to provide better customer service and process efficiencies for the Commission in the future.

"These enhancements are vital for streamlining our processes and upholding ethical standards in Nevada's government," stated Executive Director Ross Armstrong. "By modernizing our systems, we aim to enhance transparency, accountability, and public trust."

The Commission looks forward to collaborating with lawmakers and stakeholders to advance meaningful ethics reforms and ensure efficient operations in the service of the public. The Nevada Commission on Ethics remains committed to its mission of promoting integrity and transparency in government and looks forward to continuing its advocacy efforts in partnership with the legislature and the public.

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