



## NLC&M

### 2017 Legislative Session

### Bill Draft Requests

The Board of Directors of the Nevada League of Cities and Municipalities approved the submittal of three Bill Draft Requests (BDRs) for the 2017 Legislative Session. A brief description of the BDRs is below.

#### **Vacant Property**

We will be submitting a BDR seeking to grant local governments more authority to deal with vacant and abandoned buildings. Language is still being developed for this BDR. We have reached out to other state municipal leagues for sample language.

#### **Delinquent Utility Bills**

Current law (NRS 268.043) allows a city to place delinquent bills for sewage on the property tax bill for collection. This BDR will seek to expand this authority to cover all utilities provided by a city.

#### **Fuel Tax Distribution**

This BDR seeks to ensure that towns and General Improvement Districts with the responsibility for the construction and/or maintenance of roads and streets receive funds from the existing taxes on motor fuels. Distribution is currently limited to counties and incorporated cities. Towns with town boards as organized under NRS 269.016 to 269.019, inclusive, are entitled to receive proceeds from the tax levied pursuant to NRS 365.190 but the statute is silent as to other towns and General Improvement Districts.

#### **Affordable Housing Programs**

This BDR is intended to revise provisions governing programs that provide affordable housing. The intent is to create a base allocation of funding authority to ensure that programs that provide housing assistance are sustainable.