## **NRS 232.850 "Commission" defined.** As used in <u>NRS 232.850</u> to <u>232.866</u>, inclusive, unless the context otherwise requires, "Commission" means the Nevada Commission on Minority Affairs

## NRS 232.852 Creation; membership; officers.

1. The Nevada Commission on Minority Affairs, consisting of nine members appointed by the Legislative Commission, is hereby created. Appointments to the Commission must be made from a list of persons recommended to the Legislative Commission by organizations and other entities which represent or promote the interests of minority groups in this State.

2. The members appointed to the Commission must represent a variety of minority groups that reflects the general population of this State.

- 3. The members of the Commission shall elect a Chair and a Vice Chair from among their number.
- 4. The term of Office of the Chair and the Vice Chair is 2 years.
- 5. Not more than four members of the Commission may be from the same minority group.

**NRS 232.854 Members: Terms of office; reappointment; vacancies.** Except for the initial members, the term of office of each member of the Commission is 2 years and commences on July 1 of the year of appointment. The members shall continue in office until their successors are appointed. Members are eligible for reappointment, except that no member may serve for any part of more than two consecutive terms. Vacancies must be filled by appointment for the unexpired terms by the Legislative Commission.

**NRS 232.856 Members: Reimbursement for certain expenses.** Members of the Commission receive no compensation for their services, but are entitled to be reimbursed for all travel and other expenses actually and necessarily incurred by them in the performance of their duties, within the limits of money available to the Commission.

## NRS 232.858 Meetings; quorum; annual report.

1. The Commission shall meet at the call of the Chair as frequently as required to perform its duties, but no less than quarterly.

2. A majority of the members of the Commission constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business, and a majority of those present at any meeting is sufficient for any official action taken by the Commission.

3. The Commission shall, on or before January 31 of each year, submit a report to the Governor summarizing the activities, needs and recommendations of the Commission.

NRS 232.860 Duties. The Commission shall, within the limits of available money:

- 1. Study matters affecting the social and economic welfare and well-being of minorities residing in the State of Nevada;
- Collect and disseminate information on activities, programs and essential services available to minorities in the State of Nevada;
  Study the:
- (a) Availability of employment for minorities in this State, and the manner in which minorities are employed;
- (b) Manner in which minorities can be encouraged to start and manage their own businesses successfully; and
- (c) Availability of affordable housing, as defined in <u>NRS 278.0105</u>, for minorities;
- 4. In cooperation with the Nevada Equal Rights Commission, act as a liaison to inform persons regarding:
- (a) The laws of this State that prohibit discriminatory practices; and

(b) The procedures pursuant to which aggrieved persons may file complaints or otherwise take action to remedy such discriminatory practices;

5. To the extent practicable, strive to create networks within the business community between businesses that are owned by minorities;

- 6. Analyze the information provided in the employment plans and reports for a redevelopment project submitted
- 7. Advise the Governor on matters relating to minorities and of concern to minorities; and
- 8. Recommend proposed legislation to the Governor.

**NRS 232.862** Appointment of committees. The Chair of the Commission may, with the approval of the Commission, appoint committees from its members to assist in carrying out any of the functions or duties of the Commission.

## NRS 232.864 Staff assistance; volunteer workers and consultants.

1. The Director shall provide staff assistance to the Commission as the Governor deems appropriate.

2. The Commission may engage the services of volunteer workers and consultants without compensation as is necessary from time to time.

**NRS 232.866** Gifts, grants and contributions. The Commission may apply for and receive gifts, grants, contributions or other money from governmental and private agencies, affiliated associations and other persons for the purposes of carrying out the provisions of <u>NRS 232.850</u> to <u>232.866</u>, inclusive, and for defraying expenses incurred by the Commission in the discharge of its duties.