

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to the State Board of Agriculture. (BDR 50-263)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: No.

AN ACT relating to agriculture; revising the qualifications of the members of the State Board of Agriculture; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

Existing law creates the State Board of Agriculture, consisting of 11 members, and sets forth the qualifications of the members. (NRS 561.045, 561.055) **Section 1** of this bill revises the membership of the Board by requiring that: (1) two members are actively engaged in livestock production; (2) two members are actively engaged in growing crops, at least one of which is a specialty crop harvested by mechanical cultivation; (3) one member is working in the field of supplemental nutrition distribution; and (4) one member is actively engaged in food manufacturing or animal processing. **Section 1** also removes the requirement that certain members be actively engaged in: (1) range or semirange cattle or sheep production; (2) general farming; and (3) growing crops which are planted in rows. **Section 2** of this bill: (1) provides that each member who is serving on the State Board on June 30, 2022, continues to serve until the expiration of his or her term or until a vacancy occurs, whichever occurs first; and (2) requires



the Governor to appoint the members representing supplemental nutrition distribution and food manufacturing or animal processing to terms commencing on July 1, 2022.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN  
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** NRS 561.055 is hereby amended to read as follows:

561.055 1. ~~{Three members}~~ *The membership* of the Board ~~{must be}~~ *consists of:*

(a) *Two members who are* actively engaged in ~~{range or semirange cattle}~~ *livestock* production . ~~{, one in}~~

(b) *One member who is actively engaged in* dairy production . ~~{, one in range or semirange sheep production, one in general farming, one}~~

(c) *One member who is actively engaged* in general agriculture . ~~{, one in growing crops which are planted in rows spaced to permit mechanical cultivation, one}~~

(d) *Two members who are actively engaged in growing crops, at least one of which is a specialty crop harvested by mechanical cultivation.*

(e) *One member who is actively engaged* in the control of pests . ~~{, one}~~

(f) *One member who is actively engaged* in the petroleum industry . ~~{and one}~~

(g) *One member who is actively engaged* in raising nursery stock.

(h) *One member who is working in the field of supplemental nutrition distribution.*



*(i) One member who is actively engaged in food manufacturing or animal processing.*

2. Not more than two members may be residents of the same county, and the ~~frange or semirange cattle production~~ members *appointed pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 1 and the members appointed pursuant to paragraph (d) of subsection 1* must be residents of different counties.

**Sec. 2.** The amendatory provisions of section 1 of this act do not affect the current term of any person who, on June 30, 2022, is a member of the State Board of Agriculture, and each such member continues to serve until the expiration of his or her current term or until a vacancy occurs, whichever occurs first. On or before July 1, 2022, the Governor shall appoint to the State Board of Agriculture:

1. One person who satisfies the qualifications set forth in paragraph (h) of subsection 1 of NRS 561.055, as amended by section 1 of this act, to a term commencing on July 1, 2022; and

2. One person who satisfies the qualifications set forth in paragraph (i) of subsection 1 of NRS 561.055, as amended by section 1 of this act, to a term commencing on July 1, 2022.

**Sec. 3.** 1. This section and section 2 of this act become effective upon passage and approval.

2. Section 1 of this act becomes effective on July 1, 2022.

