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ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 84—COMMITTEE
ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

(ON BEHALF OF THE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT
AN INTERIM STUDY CONCERNING WILDFIRES)

PREFILED JANUARY 26, 2021

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to wildfires.
(BDR 42-110)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to wildfires; authorizing the State Forester
Firewarden to enter into certain public-private
partnerships; and providing other matters properly
relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Existing law authorizes the State Forester Firewarden, with certain approval, to
2 enter into certain cooperative agreements for the purpose of securing cooperation in
3 forest management and the protection of the forest and watershed areas of Nevada
4 from fire. (NRS 472.050) This bill authorizes the State Forester Firewarden, with
5 certain approval, to also enter into certain public-private partnerships for the
6 purpose of addressing the threat of wildfires.

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

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 472 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 *The State Forester Firewarden, with the approval of the*
4 *Director of the State Department of Conservation and Natural*
5 *Resources, may represent the State of Nevada in negotiating and*
6 *entering into, cancelling, modifying and renewing one or more*
7 *public-private partnerships for the purpose of addressing the*



1 *threat of catastrophic wildfires in this State. Any such public-*
2 *private partnership may address, without limitation, investment in*
3 *wildfire prevention, restoration, infrastructure and workforce*
4 *development for enhancing landscape resiliency against the threat*
5 *of wildfires.*

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