



**Discussion and Initial  
Direction: Bill Draft Requests  
for the 84<sup>th</sup> Session (2027) of  
the Nevada Legislature**

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# BDR Authority

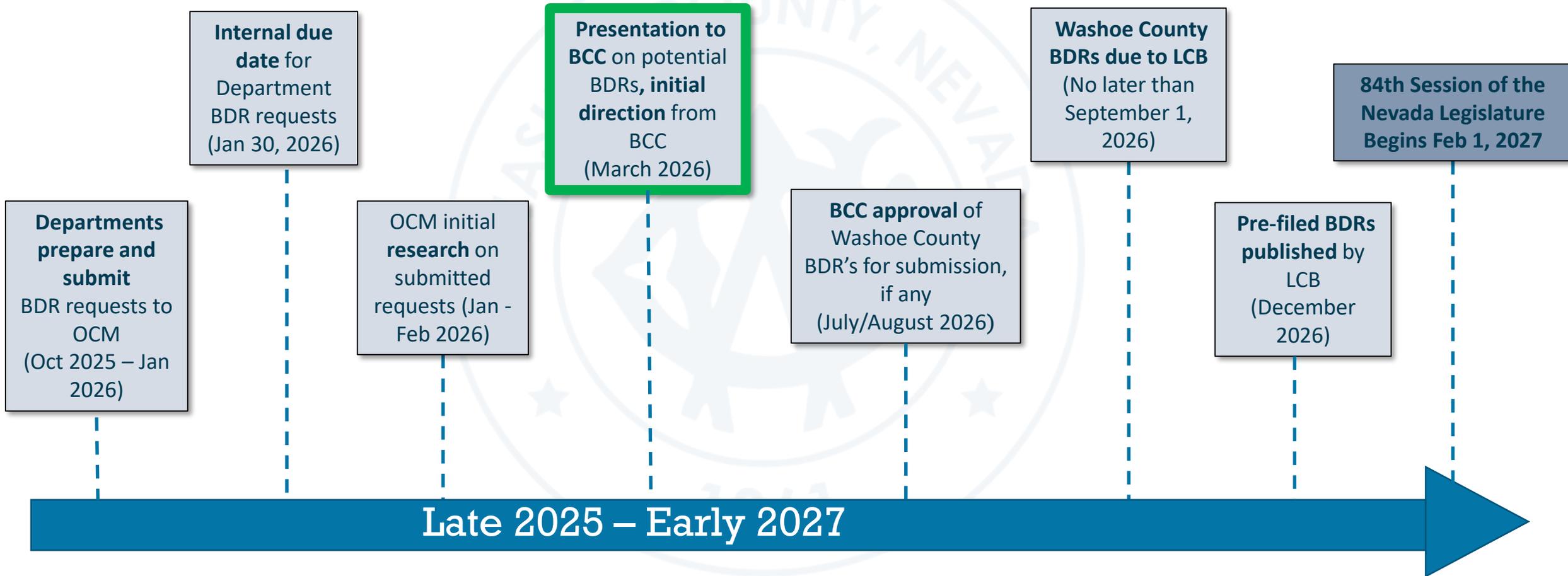


NRS 218D.2025 authorizes Washoe County to submit up to two requests for the drafting of legislative measures each legislative session.

Legislators, chairs of standing legislative committees, joint interim standing committees, the Governor, the Nevada Association of Counties, and various other persons and entities are authorized to submit BDRs.

Section 17 of Article 4 of the Constitution of the State of Nevada requires that each law enacted by the Legislature embrace only one subject.

# Washoe County Bill Draft Request (BDR) Process for 2027 Legislative Session



# BDR Considerations



- Alignment with Washoe County Strategic Plan
- Political Feasibility
- Legal Soundness
- Resource Implications
- Opportunity for Collaboration
- Ability/Capacity to Implement

# Proposal #1



Subject: To require a local government that submits an erroneous billing file to a county treasurer to reimburse the county for any expenses incurred by the county due to the errors contained in the billing file.

Recommendation: Submit to the Nevada Association of Counties (NACO) for consideration as a NACO BDR.

# Proposal #2



Subject: Amend NRS 244A.7645 to allow a maximum of three (3) percent of revenues from a surcharge imposed by a county for enhancement of the telephone system used for reporting emergencies and purchase and maintenance of event recording devices (911 Telephone Surcharge) to be used by the county to pay the costs associated with administration of the surcharge revenues.

Recommendation: Seek sponsorship from an individual legislator or submit as a Washoe County BDR.

# Proposal # 3



Subject: Equity in authority for and distribution of transient lodging tax and surcharge revenues collected in the Washoe County portion of the Lake Tahoe Basin for the purpose of establishing a dedicated funding source for public transit to, from and within the portion of the Lake Tahoe Basin located in Washoe County.

# Proposal # 3 (Continued)



<b>Tax District</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Legislatively Approved Room Tax Rate</b>	<b>Legislatively Approved Tourism/Capital Projects Surcharge(s) per Room Night</b>
Reno B	Suburban Reno	13.00%	\$2.00
Reno D	Downtown Reno	13.50%	\$3.00 – Unlimited gaming \$4.00 – All other lodging properties
Reno E	Greater Downtown	13.50%	\$2.00
Sparks	City of Sparks	13.50%	\$2.00
Washoe A	Washoe County (excluding Incline Village/Crystal Bay)	13.00%	\$0
Washoe B	Washoe County (Incline Village/Crystal Bay)	13.00%	\$0

# Proposal # 3 (Continued)



<b>Receiving Entity</b>	<b>Breakdown of Washoe B 13% Room Tax Rate</b>
RSCVA	3.3125%
Travel North Tahoe Nevada	3.3125%
RSCVA (Convention Center Debt)	2.00%
City of Reno (National Bowling Stadium Debt)	1.00%
Reno/RSCVA (City/Civic Center)	1.00%
Washoe County	1.00%
State of Nevada (General Fund & School Support Fund)	1.00%
State of Nevada (Commission on Tourism)	0.375%

# Proposal # 3 (Continued)



Recommendation: Submit proposals 3 (a) and 3 (b) to the Legislative Committee for the Review and Oversight of the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency and the Marlette Lake Water System.

- a) Authorize a surcharge on the per night charge for rental of transient lodging in Incline Village and Crystal Bay with the proceeds to be used exclusively to pay the costs of public transit to, from, and within the portion of the Lake Tahoe Basin located in Washoe County.
- b) Amend Chapter 432, Statutes of Nevada, 1999, to require the Reno-Sparks Convention and Visitors Authority to grant to Washoe County a percentage of certain taxes collected from the rental of transient lodging in Incline Village and Crystal Bay to be used exclusively to pay the costs of public transit to, from and within the portion of the Lake Tahoe Basin located in Washoe County.

# Thank you

