

Summary of Key Amendments Submitted for Review and Consideration

The proposed bylaw amendments are intended to clarify authority, strengthen compliance, and support implementation of new legislative mandates. Key revisions include the following:

A. Clarification of AB 384 Authority and Reporting Duties

(Sections 2.2(f) and 2.3(g))

The amendments expressly authorize the Commission to:

- Formally solicit expert and stakeholder input on defined juvenile justice issues; and
- Submit an annual report to the Legislature on or before March 1, summarizing activities, findings, and recommendations, as required by AB 384 (2025).

B. Appointment Vacancies and Recommendation Process

(Section 4.3)

Revisions clarify the internal process for recommending candidates to fill Commission vacancies, including:

- Eligibility verification.
- Candidate interviews.
- Assistance with required application materials; and
- Submission of a recommendation letter to the Nevada Boards and Commissions Office.

The amendments are intended to support transparency and consistency while preserving the appointing authority's discretion.

C. Conflict of Interest Disclosure and Recusal

(Section 4.7)

The amendments:

- Define actual, potential, and perceived conflicts of interest.
- Establish disclosure timing requirements.
- Clarify the Chair's authority to seek guidance and direct recusal; and
- Specify the procedural consequences of recusal, including exclusion from quorum and voting for the affected agenda item.

D. Non-Voting Members (Advisory Participation)

(Section 4.8)

The amendments authorize the use of non-voting members to provide subject-matter expertise, stakeholder input, or technical assistance, particularly in support of AB 384-related work.

The section clearly states that non-voting members:

- Serve in an advisory capacity only.
- Are not counted toward quorum.
- May not vote, make motions, or serve as officers; and
- Are subject to applicable Open Meeting Law, ethics, and conduct requirements.

E. Orientation and Training of New Members

(Section 4.9)

The amendments require a structured orientation for newly appointed members, covering:

- Statutory authority and Commission duties.
- Governance procedures.
- Nevada Open Meeting Law and ethics requirements; and
- State and federal juvenile justice context, including SAG responsibilities.

F. Quorum and Voting Clarifications

(Section 5.8)

The amendments reaffirm that a quorum consists of a majority of appointed and currently serving voting members and clarify voting requirements once a quorum is established.

G. Agenda Preparation, Review, and Posting

(Section 5.9)

The amendments codify Open Meeting Law–compliant agenda standards, including:

- Clear identification of authority and expected outcomes.
- Agenda review timelines to support DAG review.
- Posting and distribution requirements; and
- The Chair’s authority to separate motions or votes for clarity and compliance.

H. Duties of Standing Committees

(section 7.4)

Executive Committee amendments:

- Preserves **committee independence**
- Avoids implying directive authority by the Executive Committee
- Reinforces transparency and information-sharing
- Clarifies authority – confirms the committee recommends; the full Commission acts.
- Avoids artificial annual mandates – allows flexibility when statutes, AB 384 implementation, or federal guidance change.
- OML-safe and defensible – no implied automatic amendments; all action remains with the Commission.

H. Work Groups and Task Forces

(Section 7.9)

The amendments distinguish between:

- **Work Groups** (informational, advisory, may or may not trigger OML depending on quorum); and
- **Task Forces** (Commission-created, always subject to OML, structured membership and deliverables).