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Subject: RE: Senate vacancy

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Greetings,

Thank you for contacting Washoe311 and submitting your comment below. We have forwarded this comment to the appropriate staff for recording under the Board of County Commission meeting, taking place November 10, 2021. Let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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Washoe County Commissioners will be meeting this afternoon with the Carson City Supervisors to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Senator Keikeffer.

You believe that you must choose between Mr. Weise, a long time resident of Washoe County who now resides in Carson City, who has extensive legislative experience and has expressed his concern over the impact redistricting will have on our mutual communities in the upcoming single issue session and Mr.

Tatro, who has no legislative experience yet is committed to both communities, is establishing an impressive curriculum vitae and is committed to filling the duties for the remaining term

I suggest that you do not have to choose between them but that you have a third alternative and that is to select one for a portion of the vacancy and another for the remainder. Both candidates qualify under the provisions of NRS 218A and Article IV, Sections 4 and 12 of the Nevada Constitution and met the criteria and selection process. There is nothing in the statute that requires a single selection or that the selection be for the remainder of the term. Rather it merely indicates that the vacancy must (not shall) be filled in the manner the statute sets forth.

Consequently, please consider appointing Mr. Weise for a period limited to the special session and appointing Mt. Tatro for the remaining 14 months of the term.

I have had a limited amount of time to research this issue but have found nothing to prevent you from doing so. Thank you for your consideration and service.

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