

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 2—Joint Rules Committee

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ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Directing the Legislative Commission to conduct an interim study concerning misdemeanors.

WHEREAS, During the 1995 Legislative Session, legislation was enacted to provide categories for felonies; and

WHEREAS, The Nevada Revised Statutes currently provides for only two categories of misdemeanors that are designated as misdemeanors and gross misdemeanors; and

WHEREAS, A study needs to be conducted to determine whether providing categories for misdemeanors and penalties commensurate with those categories would provide more consistency in the criminal statutory scheme; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That the Legislative Commission is hereby directed to appoint a committee consisting of three members of the Assembly, two of whom are members of the Assembly Standing Committee on Judiciary and three members of the Senate, two of whom are members of the Senate Standing Committee on Judiciary, to conduct an interim study concerning misdemeanors; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the study must include, without limitation, an analysis of:

1. The existing statutes concerning misdemeanors to determine whether it is feasible to categorize misdemeanors and provide penalties commensurate with the categorization;

2. Whether it is beneficial to amend the Nevada Revised Statutes to categorize misdemeanors in such a manner;

3. The effect that categorizing misdemeanors in such a manner would have on the courts of this state, including, without limitation, any increase in the volume of cases handled by the courts and any necessary changes to the jurisdiction of the lower courts; and

4. Any other matter related to misdemeanors, as deemed necessary by the committee; and be it further

RESOLVED, That any recommended legislation proposed by the committee must be approved by a majority of the members of the Senate and a majority of the members of the Assembly appointed to the committee; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Legislative Commission shall submit a report of the results of the study and any recommendations for legislation to the 72nd session of the Nevada Legislature.