ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 136–COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE AND MINING

(ON BEHALF OF DIVISION OF WILDLIFE)

FEBRUARY 4, 1999

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources, Agriculture and Mining

SUMMARY—Clarifies restrictions on operation of vessel. (BDR 43-451)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: Yes. Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: 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 watercraft; clarifying restrictions on the operation of a vessel; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

- **Section 1.** NRS 488.600 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 2 488.600 Every owner, operator or person in command of any vessel is
- 3 guilty of a misdemeanor who operates it or permits it to be operated at a
- speed in excess of 5 nautical miles per hour in any of the following areas:
 - 1. Within 100 feet of any person who is engaged in the act of bathing , wading, diving, floating or swimming.
- 7 2. Within 200 feet of any:
 - (a) Beach frequented by [bathers.] persons who engage in the acts of
- bathing, wading, diving, floating or swimming.
- 10 (b) Swimming float, diving platform or lifeline.
- (c) Way or landing float to which vessels are made fast or which is used
- 12 for the embarkation or discharge of passengers.

- Sec. 2. NRS 488.620 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 488.620 A person shall not operate a vessel within a water area which
- 3 is clearly marked by buoys or some other distinguishing device as [a
- 4 bathing or swimming area. The bathing or swimming areas] an area
- 5 designated for bathing, wading, diving, floating or swimming. Such an
- 6 area must be so marked only with the consent of the commission.

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