

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 157—ASSEMBLYMEN KOIVISTO, BERMAN, CHOWNING,
MORTENSON, CLABORN, MCCLAIN, FREEMAN, GIUNCHIGLIANI, BACHE,
PARKS, SEGERBLOM AND MANENDO

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Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Prohibits certain persons from riding upon or within certain portions of certain vehicles. (BDR 43-1350)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: Yes.
Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in ***bolded italics*** is new; matter between brackets ~~for omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to traffic laws; prohibiting certain persons from riding upon the bed of a flatbed truck, within the bed of a pickup truck or within a camper shell or slide-in camper; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

- 1 **Section 1.** NRS 484.473 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 484.473 ***[A]***
3 ***1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, a person shall not ,***
4 ***with regard to a vehicle being operated on a paved highway, ride ~~on any~~***
5 ***~~vehicle~~ upon or within any portion ~~thereof~~ of the vehicle that is***
6 ***primarily designed or intended for carrying goods or other cargo or that***
7 ***is otherwise*** not designed or intended for the use of passengers ~~[. This~~
8 ~~provision does not apply to an employee engaged in the necessary~~
9 ~~discharge of a duty, or to a person or persons riding within truck bodies and~~
10 ~~space intended for merchandise.] , including, without limitation, upon the~~
11 ***bed of a flatbed truck, within the bed of a pickup truck or within a***
12 ***camper shell or slide-in camper.***
13 ***2. A person may ride upon the bed of a flatbed truck, within the bed***
14 ***of a pickup truck or within a camper shell or slide-in camper if the***
15 ***person is:***
16 ***(a) Eighteen years of age or older; or***

1 **(b) Under 18 years of age and the vehicle is:**

2 **(1) Not being operated on a freeway or other road which has two or**
3 **more lanes for traffic traveling in one direction;**

4 **(2) Being used in the course of farming or ranching; or**

5 **(3) Being driven in a parade authorized by a local authority.**

6 **3. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a citation must be**
7 **issued to the driver of the vehicle in or upon which a person is riding in**
8 **violation of subsection 1:**

9 **(a) Upon the bed of a flatbed truck or within the bed of a pickup**
10 **truck.**

11 **(b) Within a camper shell or slide-in camper.**

12 **A citation may be issued pursuant to paragraph (b) only if the violation is**
13 **discovered when the vehicle is halted or its driver arrested for another**
14 **alleged violation or offense.**

15 **4. If a driver is cited pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 3, the**
16 **driver shall be punished by a fine of at least \$35 but not more than \$100.**

17 **5. If a driver is cited pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 3, the**
18 **driver shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$25 or by a sentence**
19 **to perform a certain number of hours of work for the community.**

20 **6. A violation of this section:**

21 **(a) Is not a moving traffic violation for the purposes of NRS 483.473;**
22 **and**

23 **(b) May not be considered:**

24 **(1) Negligence in any civil action; or**

25 **(2) Negligence or reckless driving for the purposes of NRS 484.377.**

26 **7. As used in this section:**

27 **(a) "Camper shell" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 361.017.**

28 **(b) "Freeway" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 408.060.**

29 **(c) "Slide-in camper" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 482.113.**

30 **Sec. 2.** The amendatory provisions of this act do not apply to offenses
31 **that are committed before October 1, 1999.**