Assembly Bill No. 18–Committee on Judiciary

CHAPTER.....

AN ACT relating to the practice of law; revising certain provisions relating to the unauthorized practice of law; increasing the penalties for the unlawful practice of law; 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 7.285 is hereby amended to read as follows: 7.285 1. [No] A person shall **not** practice law in this state [unless he is if the person:

(a) Is not an active member of the State Bar of Nevada or otherwise authorized to practice law in this state pursuant to the rules of the supreme

court -

Any person who, not being an active member of the State Bar of

Nevada, or who, after he]; or

(b) Is suspended or has been disbarred [or while suspended] from membership in the State Bar of Nevada , as provided in pursuant to the rules of the supreme court. [, shall practice law,]

2. A person who violates any provision of subsection 1 is guilty of:
(a) For a first offense within the immediately preceding 7 years, a misdemeanor.

(b) For a second offense within the immediately preceding 7 years, a gross misdemeanor.

(c) For a third and any subsequent offense within the immediately préceding 7 years, a catégory E felony and shall be punished as provided in NRS 193.130.

The State Bar of Nevada may bring a civil action to secure an injunction and any other appropriate relief against a person who violates this section.

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