ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 304-COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

FEBRUARY 23, 1999

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Makes various changes concerning complaints against peace officer. (BDR 15-1113)

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 [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to peace officers; prohibiting false or fraudulent complaints against a peace officer; requiring each agency that employs peace officers to establish a written procedure for investigating complaints against peace officers; 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:

- Section 1. Chapter 199 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:
- 1. A person who knowingly files a false or fraudulent written
- 4 complaint or allegation of misconduct against a peace officer for
- 5 conduct in the course and scope of his employment is guilty of a 6 misdemeanor.
- 2. As used in this section, "peace officer" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 289.010.
- 9 **Sec. 2.** Chapter 289 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:
- Each agency in this state that employs peace officers shall:
- 12 1. Establish written procedures for investigating any complaint or
- 13 allegation of misconduct made or filed against a peace officer employed
- 14 by the agency; and
- 2. Make copies of the written procedures established pursuant to
- 16 subsection 1 available to the public.

- Sec. 3. The amendatory provisions of this act do not apply to offenses that were committed before October 1, 1999.