
ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 451—COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES, AGRICULTURE
AND MINING

(ON BEHALF OF COMMISSION ON WORKPLACE SAFETY)

MARCH 10, 1999

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Requires inspections of certain facilities and places of employment where explosives are produced, used, stored or handled to be conducted jointly by various state and local agencies. (BDR 40-777)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
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 explosives; requiring inspections of certain facilities and places of employment where explosives are produced, used, stored or handled to be conducted jointly by various state and local agencies that are responsible for minimizing the risks posed by those facilities or places of employment; 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.** Chapter 459 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto
2 a new section to read as follows:
3 ***1. The division shall adopt by regulation a program that requires***
4 ***inspections of regulated facilities where explosives are produced, used,***
5 ***stored or handled to be conducted jointly by:***
6 ***(a) A representative of the fire-fighting agency that exercises***
7 ***jurisdiction over the regulated facility;***
8 ***(b) A representative of the law enforcement agency that exercises***
9 ***jurisdiction over the regulated facility; and***
10 ***(c) Representatives of the division and any other state agency***
11 ***responsible for minimizing risks to persons and property posed by such***
12 ***regulated facilities.***

1 2. *The owner or operator of such a regulated facility shall make the*
2 *facility available for the inspections required by this section at such times*
3 *as are designated by the division.*

4 3. *Any inspection of a regulated facility conducted pursuant to this*
5 *section is in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other inspection of the*
6 *facility required or authorized by state statute or local ordinance.*

7 4. *As used in this section, "explosive" means gunpowders, powders*
8 *used for blasting, all forms of high explosives, blasting materials, fuses*
9 *other than electric circuit breakers, detonators and other detonating*
10 *agents, smokeless powders, other explosive or incendiary devices and any*
11 *chemical compound, mechanical mixture or device that contains any*
12 *oxidizing and combustible units, or other ingredients, in such*
13 *proportions, quantities or packing that ignition by fire, friction,*
14 *concussion, percussion, or detonation of the compound, mixture or*
15 *device or any part thereof may cause an explosion.*

16 **Sec. 2.** NRS 459.3802 is hereby amended to read as follows:

17 459.3802 As used in NRS 459.380 to 459.3874, inclusive, *and section*
18 *1 of this act*, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms
19 defined in NRS 459.3804 to 459.3812, inclusive, have the meanings
20 ascribed to them in those sections.

21 **Sec. 3.** Chapter 618 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a
22 new section to read as follows:

23 1. *The administrator shall adopt by regulation a program that*
24 *requires inspections of places of employment where explosives are*
25 *produced, used, stored or handled to be conducted jointly by:*

26 (a) *A representative of the fire-fighting agency that exercises*
27 *jurisdiction over the place of employment;*

28 (b) *A representative of the law enforcement agency that exercises*
29 *jurisdiction over the place of employment; and*

30 (c) *Representatives of the division and any other state agency*
31 *responsible for minimizing risks to persons and property posed by such*
32 *places of employment.*

33 2. *An employer having control over a place of employment where*
34 *explosives are produced, used, stored or handled shall make that place of*
35 *employment available for the inspections required by this section at such*
36 *times as are designated by the administrator.*

37 3. *Any inspection conducted pursuant to this section is in addition to,*
38 *and not in lieu of, any other inspection of the place of employment*
39 *required or authorized by state statute or local ordinance.*

40 4. *The provisions of this section do not apply to places of*
41 *employment where inspections are conducted pursuant to section 1 of*
42 *this act.*

1 **5.** *As used in this section, “explosive” means gunpowders, powders*
2 *used for blasting, all forms of high explosives, blasting materials, fuses*
3 *other than electric circuit breakers, detonators and other detonating*
4 *agents, smokeless powders, other explosive or incendiary devices and any*
5 *chemical compound, mechanical mixture or device that contains any*
6 *oxidizing and combustible units, or other ingredients, in such*
7 *proportions, quantities or packing that ignition by fire, friction,*
8 *concussion, percussion, or detonation of the compound, mixture or*
9 *device or any part thereof may cause an explosion.*
10 **Sec. 4.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

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