#### ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 86-COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

### (ON BEHALF OF CLARK COUNTY)

#### FEBRUARY 4, 1999

## Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Requires justices of the peace in certain townships to be licensed and admitted to practice law in courts of this state. (BDR 1-576)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

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 justices of the peace; requiring that the justices of the peace in certain townships be licensed and admitted to practice law in the courts of this state; 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 4.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 4.010 1. A person who is not a qualified elector is not eligible to the office of justice of the peace.
- 2. [A justice of the peace in a township whose population is 250,000]
- 5 or more must be an attorney who is licensed and admitted to practice law
- 6 in the courts of this state.] A justice of the peace in a township whose
- 7 population is less than 250,000 must have a high school diploma or its
  - population is less than 220,000 into the very limit in [1] and of the control of
- 8 equivalent as determined by the state board of education : and:
- 9 (a) In a county whose population is 400,000 or more, a justice of the
- 10 peace in a township whose population is 100,000 or more must be an
- 11 attorney who is licensed and admitted to practice law in the courts of this
- 12 *state*.

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- (b) In a county whose population is less than 400,000, a justice of the
- 14 peace in a township whose population is 250,000 or more must be an
- 15 attorney who is licensed and admitted to practice law in the courts of this
- 16 *state*.

- 3. Subsection 2 does not apply to any person who held the office of justice of the peace on June 30, [1987.] 1999.

  Sec. 2. This act becomes effective on July 1, 1999.