SENATE BILL NO. 233-COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

FEBRUARY 22, 1999

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing rate of interest if there is no written contract fixing rate. (BDR 8-1124)

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 interest; revising the provisions governing the rate of interest allowed under certain circumstances if there is no written contract fixing the rate; 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 99.040 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 2 99.040 1. [When] If there is no express contract in writing fixing a
- 3 different rate of interest, interest must be allowed at a rate equal to the
- 4 prime rate at the largest bank in Nevada, as ascertained by the
- 5 commissioner of financial institutions, on January 1 or July 1, as the case
- 6 may be, immediately preceding the date of the transaction, plus 2 percent,
- 7 upon all money from the time it becomes due, in the following cases:
 - (a) Upon contracts, express or implied, other than book accounts.
- (b) Upon the settlement of book or store accounts from the day on which
- the balance is ascertained. For the purposes of this paragraph, a book or
- store account is settled when the creditor gives written notice to the
- 12 borrower that a sum certain is due on the account and that the creditor
- 13 will not give the borrower a further extension of credit on the account.
- 14 The day on which the creditor gives such written notice to the borrower
- shall be deemed to be the day on which the balance is ascertained.
- 16 (c) Upon money received to the use and benefit of another and detained
- 17 without his consent.

- (d) Upon wages or salary, if it is unpaid when due, after demand
- 2 therefor has been made.
- The rate must be adjusted accordingly on each January 1 and July 1 thereafter until the judgment is satisfied.
- 2. The provisions of this section do not apply to money owed:(a) For the construction or remodeling of a building pursuant to NRS 6 624.325; or
- (b) By a contractor to his subcontractor pursuant to NRS 624.326.