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SENATE BILL NO. 330-SENATOR RHOADS

MARCH 8, 1999

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources

SUMMARY—Requires state quarantine officer to maintain confidentiality of certain notifications. (BDR 50-1478)

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 diseased animals; requiring the state quarantine officer to maintain confidentiality of certain notices regarding diseased animals under certain circumstances; 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 571.160 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 2 571.160 Whenever any livestock becomes infected with any infectious,
- 3 contagious or parasitic disease as defined by rules and regulations adopted
- 4 by the state quarantine officer, the owner or agent in charge, an inspector of
- 5 the division or any practicing veterinarian shall immediately notify the state
- 6 quarantine officer. A notification of disease received pursuant to this
- 7 section must be kept confidential unless:
- 8 1. The reported disease is specifically regulated pursuant to NRS
- 9 571.130 for mandatory control and eradication to protect the public
- 10 health, other livestock or wildlife; or
- 11 2. The state quarantine officer determines that a public health
- 12 emergency exists.
- Sec. 2. This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

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