SENATE BILL NO. 334–SENATOR SCHNEIDER

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Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Exempts certain persons from provisions governing licensure of private investigators. (BDR 54-1150)

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 private investigators; exempting certain persons from provisions governing the licensure of private investigators; 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 648.018 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 2 648.018 Except as to polygraphic examiners and interns, this chapter 3 does not apply:
 - 1. To any detective or officer belonging to the law enforcement
- agencies of the State of Nevada or the United States, or of any county or
- 6 city of the State of Nevada, while the detective or officer is engaged in the
- 7 performance of his official duties.
- 2. To special police officers appointed by the police department of any city, county, or city and county within the State of Nevada while the officer is engaged in the performance of his official duties.
- 3. To insurance adjusters and their associate adjusters licensed
- pursuant to the Nevada Insurance Adjusters Law who are not otherwise
- engaged in the business of private investigators.
 - 4. To any private investigator, private patrolman, process server, dog
- 15 handler or security consultant employed by an employer regularly in
- 16 connection with the affairs of that employer if a bona fide employer-
- 17 employee relationship exists, except as otherwise provided in NRS
- 18 648.060, 648.140 and 648.203.

- To a repossessor employed exclusively by one employer regularly in connection with the affairs of that employer if a bona fide employeremployee relationship exists, except as otherwise provided in NRS 648.060, 648.140 and 648.203.
- To a person engaged exclusively in the business of obtaining and furnishing information as to the financial rating of persons.
- To a person retained by a business establishment to act as a customer solely to assess the service provided to customers by employees of the business establishment, including, without limitation, the courtesy, friendliness, habits, knowledge, efficiency or appearance of such employees, and not to investigate any suspected criminal behavior of 12 such employees.
 - To a person engaged in the business of providing services related to job placement, including, without limitation, conducting interviews, psychological testing or other preemployment testing, if the person is not otherwise engaged in the business of a private investigator.
- To a person who for consideration verifies or attempts to verify the information contained in: 18
- (a) An application for employment, pursuant to the request of an 19 employer; or 20

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- (b) An application for tenancy, pursuant to the request of a landlord 21 or property manager,
 - if the person is not otherwise engaged in the business of a private investigator.
- To a charitable philanthropic society or association incorporated under the laws of this state which is organized and maintained for the 26 public good and not for private profit.
 - To an attorney at law in performing his duties as such. [8.] 11.
- [9.] 12. To a collection agency unless engaged in business as a repossessor, licensed by the commissioner of financial institutions, or an employee thereof while acting within the scope of his employment while making an investigation incidental to the business of the agency, including 32 an investigation of the location of a debtor or his assets and of property 34 which the client has an interest in or lien upon.
 - To admitted insurers and agents and insurance brokers licensed by the state, performing duties in connection with insurance transacted by them.
- [11.] 14. To any bank organized pursuant to the laws of this state or to 38 any national bank engaged in banking in this state. 39
- To any person employed to administer a program of 40 [12.] 15. supervision for persons who are serving terms of residential confinement.

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

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