SENATE BILL NO. 338-SENATOR RAWSON

MARCH 8, 1999

Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Revises provisions regarding handicapped parking. (BDR 43-1158)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: Yes. Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: No.

EXPLANATION - Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to traffic laws; providing for the exclusive use of certain parking spaces designated for the handicapped by certain vehicles; 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 484.408 is hereby amended to read as follows: 1
- 2 484.408 Any parking space designated for the handicapped must be indicated by a sign:
- (a) Bearing the international symbol of access with or without the words
- "Parking," "Handicapped Parking," "Handicapped Parking Only," or
- "Reserved for the Handicapped," or any other word or combination of
- words indicating that the space is designated for the handicapped;
- (b) Stating "Minimum fine of \$100 for use by others" or equivalent words: and
 - (c) The bottom of which must be not less than 4 feet above the ground.
- 10 In addition to the requirements of subsection 1, a parking space 11
- designated for the handicapped that is designed for the exclusive use of a
- vehicle with a side-loading wheelchair lift must be indicated by a sign
- using a combination of words to state that the space is for the exclusive
- use of a vehicle with a side-loading wheelchair lift.
- A person shall not park a vehicle in a space designated for the 16
- handicapped by a sign that meets the requirements of subsection 1, whether
- on public or privately owned property, unless he is eligible to do so and the
- vehicle displays: 19
- 20 (a) Special license plates issued pursuant NRS 482.384; to

- (b) A special or temporary parking placard issued pursuant to NRS 482.384;
- (c) Special license plates or a special or temporary parking placard displaying the international symbol of access issued by another state or a foreign country; or
- (d) Special license plates for a disabled veteran and a special parking placard issued pursuant to NRS 482.384.
- 8 [3.] 4. A person shall not park a vehicle in a space designated for the 9 handicapped by a sign that meets the requirements of subsection 2, whether on public or privately owned property, unless:
 - (a) He is eligible to do so;

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- 12 (b) The vehicle displays the special license plates or placard set forth 13 in subsection 3; and
 - (c) The vehicle is equipped with a side-loading wheelchair lift.
- 5. A person shall not use [such] a plate or placard [for a vehicle] set forth in subsection 3 to park in a space designated for the handicapped unless he is a person with a disability which limits or impairs the ability to walk, a disabled veteran or the driver of a vehicle in which such a person is a passenger.
- 20 [4.] 6. Any person who violates any provision of this section shall be punished:
- 22 (a) Upon the first offense by a fine of \$100.
- 23 (b) Upon the second offense by a fine of \$250.
- (c) Upon the third or subsequent offense by a fine of not less than \$500 nor more than \$1,000.

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