SENATE BILL NO. 343-COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

(ON BEHALF OF DIVISION OF WILDLIFE)

MARCH 10, 1999

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing payment of storage fees for vessel stored to preserve evidence of crime. (BDR 43-435)

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

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EXPLANATION – Matter in bolded italics is new; matter between brackets formitted material is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to vessels; revising the provisions governing the payment of storage fees for certain vessels stored to preserve evidence of the commission of a crime; 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 488.910 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 488.910 1. If a peace officer has probable cause to believe that a
- 3 vessel or its contents contain evidence tending to show that a criminal
- 4 offense has been committed or that a particular person has committed an
- 5 offense, the officer may take whatever steps are reasonable to ensure the
- 6 preservation of [such] the evidence including safe storage of the vessel or
- 7 its contents.
- 2. If a criminal conviction is obtained as a result of an action taken pursuant to subsection 1, the person convicted shall pay any storage fees
- incurred pursuant to that subsection. If a conviction is not obtained, the
- 11 Idivision of wildlife of the state department of conservation and natural
- 12 resources law enforcement agency that seized the vessel pursuant to
- 13 *subsection 1* shall pay those fees.
- Sec. 2. This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

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