SENATE BILL NO. 449-SENATOR COFFIN

MARCH 15, 1999

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Requires sheriff to notify victim of violent crime of certain actions taken concerning permit to carry concealed firearm or application for permit. (BDR 15-824)

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 [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to concealed firearms; requiring a sheriff to provide notice to a victim of a violent crime regarding certain actions taken concerning a permit to carry a concealed firearm or an application for such a permit; 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.** Chapter 202 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:
 - 1. If a sheriff who is processing an application for a permit receives notification pursuant to NRS 202.3657 that the applicant has been:
- (a) Charged with a crime involving the use or threatened use of force or violence, the sheriff shall notify any victim of the crime of the fact that the sheriff has, pursuant to NRS 202.3657:
- (1) Suspended the processing of the application until the final disposition of the charges against the applicant; or
- 10 (2) Resumed the processing of the application following the 11 dropping of charges against the applicant or the acquittal of the 12 applicant.
- 13 (b) Convicted of a crime involving the use or threatened use of force 14 or violence, the sheriff shall notify any victim of the crime of the fact that 15 the sheriff has, pursuant to NRS 202.3657, denied the application.
- 2. If a sheriff who has issued a permit to a permittee receives notification pursuant to NRS 202.3657 that the permittee has been:

- (a) Charged with a crime involving the use or threatened use of force or violence, the sheriff shall notify any victim of the crime of the fact that the sheriff has, pursuant to NRS 202.3657:
- (1) Suspended the permit of the permittee until the final disposition of the charges against the permittee; or
- (2) Restored the permit of the permittee following the dropping of charges against the permittee or the acquittal of the permittee.
- (b) Convicted of a crime involving the use or threatened use of force or violence, the sheriff shall notify any victim of the crime of the fact that the sheriff has, pursuant to NRS 202.3657, revoked the permit of the permittee.
- The sheriff shall notify a victim pursuant to subsection 1 or 2 not 13 later than 10 days after the date on which the sheriff performs one of the actions listed in subsection 1 or 2 concerning an application or a permit.
 - **Sec. 2.** NRS 202.3653 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 202.3653 As used in NRS 202.3653 to 202.369, inclusive, *and section* 1 of this act, unless the context otherwise requires:
- "Concealed firearm" means a loaded or unloaded pistol, revolver or 18 other firearm which is carried upon a person in such a manner as not to be 19 discernible by ordinary observation. 20
- "Department" means the department of motor vehicles and public safety. 22
- "Permit" means a permit to carry a concealed firearm issued 23 pursuant to the provisions of NRS 202.3653 to 202.369, inclusive.
 - **Sec. 3.** NRS 202.3662 is hereby amended to read as follows: 202.3662 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section : and
- 26 section 1 of this act: 27
- (a) An application for a permit, and all information contained within that 28 29 application; and
- (b) All information provided to a sheriff or obtained by a sheriff in the 30 course of his investigation of an applicant, 31
- are confidential. 32

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- Any records regarding an applicant or permittee may be released to 33 34 a law enforcement agency for the purpose of conducting an investigation or prosecution. 35
- Statistical abstracts of data compiled by a sheriff regarding permits 36 applied for or issued pursuant to NRS 202.3653 to 202.369, inclusive, 37 including, but not limited to, the number of applications received and permits issued, may be released to any person.