SENATE BILL NO. 491–COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

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Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Makes various changes relating to regulation of common and contract motor carriers, operators of tow cars, taxicab motor carriers and limousine motor carriers. (BDR 58-1606)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: Yes. Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: Yes.

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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 transportation; providing for the deregulation of common motor carriers and other entities, other than operators of tow cars, regulated by the transportation services authority; abolishing the taxicab authority; creating taxicab authorities for certain counties and defining their duties; providing for the regulation of taxicab motor carriers and limousine motor carriers; transferring responsibility relating to requirements for liability insurance for common and contract motor carriers, taxicab motor carriers and limousine motor carriers to the department of motor vehicles and public safety; increasing certain fees; prohibiting certain acts; providing penalties; 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 706 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto
- 2 the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 21, inclusive, of this act.
- 3 Sec. 2. "Administrator" means the administrator of the taxicab
- 4 authority for southern Nevada or the taxicab authority for northern
- 5 Nevada, as appropriate.
- Sec. 3. "Ĉertificate holder" means:
- 7 1. With regard to an operator of a tow car, a person who holds a
- 8 current certificate of public convenience and necessity which was issued
- 9 for the operation of a tow car with respect to towing services performed
- 10 without the prior consent of the owner of the vehicle or the person
- 11 authorized by the owner to operate the vehicle by:

- (a) The previously existing public service commission of Nevada before July 1, 1981, and which has not been transferred, revoked or suspended by the transportation services authority, or by operation of law; or
- (b) The transportation services authority and which has not been transferred, suspended or revoked by the transportation services authority or by operation of law.
- 2. With regard to a taxicab motor carrier or a limousine motor carrier, a person who holds a current certificate of public convenience and necessity which was issued for the operation of a taxicab motor carrier or a limousine motor carrier subject to the jurisdiction of a taxicab authority by:

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- (a) The previously existing public service commission of Nevada before July 1, 1981, and which has not been transferred, revoked or suspended by the transportation services authority, the previously existing taxicab authority, the taxicab authority for southern Nevada or the taxicab authority for northern Nevada, or by operation of law;
- (b) The previously existing taxicab authority and which has not been transferred, suspended or revoked by the transportation services authority, the previously existing taxicab authority, the taxicab authority for southern Nevada or the taxicab authority for northern Nevada, or by 21 operation of law: 22
- (c) The transportation services authority and which has not been 23 transferred, suspended or revoked by the transportation services authority, the previously existing taxicab authority, the taxicab authority for southern Nevada or the taxicab authority for northern Nevada, or by 26 operation of law; or 27
- (d) The taxicab authority for southern Nevada or the taxicab authority 28 for northern Nevada and which has not been transferred, suspended or revoked by the taxicab authority for southern Nevada or the taxicab authority for northern Nevada, or by operation of law. 31
- Sec. 4. "Driver" means a person who operates a taxicab or 32 limousine that is regulated pursuant to this chapter, and includes a 33 34 certificate holder if he actually operates the taxicab or limousine.
- "Limousine motor carrier" means a person who operates a 35 livery limousine or traditional limousine. 36
- Sec. 6. "Livery limousine" means a motor vehicle that: 37
- At the time of its manufacture, was a light truck, as that term is 38 defined in 49 C.F.R. § 523.5, as that section existed on January 1, 1999; 39
- Has a capacity of 9 or more persons but less than 16 persons, 40 including the driver; and

- Is engaged in the general transportation of persons for compensation and is not operated on a regular schedule or over regular routes. 3
- Sec. 7. "Operator of a tow car" means a person who provides towing services performed without the prior consent of the owner of the vehicle or the person authorized by the owner to operate the vehicle.
- Sec. 8. "Taxicab authority" means the taxicab authority for southern Nevada or the taxicab authority for northern Nevada, as determined pursuant to sections 12 and 13 of this act.
- Sec. 9. "Taximeter" means an instrument used in a taxicab for 10 indicating the fare charged. 11
- Sec. 10. "Traditional limousine" means a motor vehicle that is engaged in the general transportation of persons for compensation and is 13 not operated on a regular schedule or over regular routes and which:
 - At the time of its manufacture, was a passenger automobile, as that term is defined in 49 C.F.R. § 523.4, as that section existed on January 1, 1999, and which was later modified to increase its length; or
- Has a capacity of less than 9 persons, including the driver. 18 Sec. 11. All regulations, practices and service prescribed by the 19 transportation services authority must be enforced and are prima facie reasonable unless suspended or found otherwise in an action brought for the purpose, or until changed or modified by the transportation services authority itself upon satisfactory showing made.
- Sec. 12. 1. A taxicab authority for southern Nevada, consisting of five members appointed by the governor, is hereby created. No member may serve for more than 4 years. Not more than three members may be 26 members of the same political party, and no elected officer of this state or 27 any political subdivision is eligible for appointment. The members of the taxicab authority for southern Nevada must include: 29
- (a) A person who has knowledge and experience in business or 30 accounting; 31
 - (b) A person who has training and experience in the law;
- (c) A person who has knowledge and experience in the taxicab 33 34 industry, except that the person may not be currently involved in a taxicab business as an owner or manager; 35
- (d) A person who has knowledge and experience in the limousine 36 industry, except that the person may not be currently involved in a 37 limousine business as an owner or manager; and
 - (e) A member of the general public.

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- The members of the taxicab authority for southern Nevada are in 40 the unclassified service of the state. 41
- The taxicab authority for southern Nevada is the chief regulatory 42 agency for the business of transporting passengers by taxicab motor

- carrier or limousine motor carrier in a county whose population is
 400,000 or more, and in such other counties which elect pursuant to
 section 20 of this act to be subject to the jurisdiction of the taxicab
 authority for southern Nevada. The taxicab authority for southern
 Nevada shall maintain its principal office in a county whose population
 is 400,000 or more.
- The taxicab authority for southern Nevada may adopt appropriate regulations applicable in the counties subject to its jurisdiction for the administration and enforcement of NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, and sections 12 to 21, inclusive, of this act, and for the conduct of the taxicab and limousine business and the qualifications of and the 12 issuance of permits to drivers of taxicabs and of limousines, not inconsistent with the provisions of NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive and 13 sections 12 to 21, inclusive, of this act. The regulations may include different provisions for different counties to allow for differences among the counties subject to the jurisdiction of the taxicab authority for southern Nevada. Local law enforcement agencies and the Nevada 17 highway patrol, upon request of the taxicab authority for southern Nevada, may assist in enforcing the provisions of NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, and sections 12 to 21, inclusive, of this act, and the 20 regulations adopted pursuant thereto by the taxicab authority for 21 southern Nevada. 22
 - Sec. 13. 1. A taxicab authority for northern Nevada, consisting of three members appointed by the governor, is hereby created. No member may serve for more than 4 years. The members of the taxicab authority for northern Nevada must include:
- 27 (a) The sheriff of a county whose population is 100,000 or more but 28 less than 400,000;
 - (b) A person who has knowledge and experience in the transportation industry; and
- 31 (c) A person who has knowledge and experience in business or accounting.

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- 2. Each member of the taxicab authority for northern Nevada who is not a public employee is entitled to receive a salary of not more than \$80, as fixed by the taxicab authority for northern Nevada, for each day actually employed on work of the taxicab authority for northern Nevada.
- 3. While engaged in the business of the taxicab authority for northern Nevada, each member of the taxicab authority for northern Nevada is entitled to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally.
- 41 4. The taxicab authority for northern Nevada is the chief regulatory 42 agency for the business of transporting passengers by taxicab motor 43 carrier or limousine motor carrier in a county whose population is

- 100,000 or more but less than 400,000 and in such other counties which elect pursuant to section 20 of this act to be subject to the jurisdiction of the taxicab authority for northern Nevada. The taxicab authority for northern Nevada shall maintain its principal office in a county whose population is 100,000 or more but less than 400,000.
- The taxicab authority for northern Nevada may adopt appropriate regulations applicable in the counties subject to its jurisdiction for the administration and enforcement of NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, and sections 12 to 21, inclusive, of this act, and for the conduct of the taxicab business and the qualifications of and the issuance of permits to 10 drivers of taxicabs and of limousines, not inconsistent with the provisions of NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, and sections 12 to 21, inclusive, of this act. The regulations may include different provisions for different 13 counties to allow for differences among the counties subject to the jurisdiction of the taxicab authority for northern Nevada. Local law 15 enforcement agencies and the Nevada highway patrol, upon request of the taxicab authority for northern Nevada, may assist in enforcing the 17 provisions of NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, and sections 12 to 21, inclusive, of this act, and the regulations adopted pursuant thereto by the taxicab authority for northern Nevada. 20
 - Sec. 14. Except to the extent of any inconsistency with the provisions of NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, and sections 12 to 21, inclusive, of this act, every order issued by the transportation services authority or the previously existing taxicab authority remains in effect until the order is modified or rescinded by a taxicab authority. The taxicab authority for southern Nevada or the taxicab authority for northern Nevada, as appropriate, shall enforce such an order until the order is modified or rescinded.

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- Sec. 15. 1. If a taxicab authority has established a system of allocations for taxicabs and limousines in a county subject to its jurisdiction, the taxicab authority shall, on or before April 1 of each year, increase the number of allocated taxicabs and limousines in that county by a percentage which is equal to the average of:
 - (a) The percentage of increase, if any, in the number of passengers who traveled into an airport located in that county during the preceding calendar year, as reported by the board of county commissioners of the county in which the airport is located; and
- 38 (b) The percentage of increase, if any, in the population of that county 39 during the preceding calendar year, as determined from the certifications 40 made pursuant to NRS 360.285.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, on or before February 15, each board of county commissioners in this state shall prepare and cause to be published an annual report setting forth the

number of passengers who arrived by commercial airline at an airport located in the county during each month in the preceding calendar year.

A board of county commissioners does not have to submit a report pursuant to this subsection if no commercial airline operates at any airport located within the county.

- Sec. 15.5. 1. An owner, a manager or an employee of, or any holder of a business license for, a business shall not offer remuneration of cash or services, to any driver of a taxicab, limousine or bus that is designed to carry not more than 19 persons, including the driver, for the diversion of patronage to the business.
 - A person who violates the provisions of subsection 1:

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- (a) For a first violation, is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$500 and not more than \$1,000.
- (b) For a second violation, is guilty of a gross misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$1,000 and not more than \$5,000.
- (c) For a third or subsequent violation, is guilty of a gross misdemeanor and shall be punished by:
 - (1) A fine of not less than \$5,000 and not more than \$10,000; and
- (2) Forfeiture, for not more than 6 months, of any business license issued to the business for which the diversion of patronage was to be made, except that if the person who violated the provisions of this section is only an employee of the business, the business licenses of the business are not subject to forfeiture pursuant to this subparagraph unless the owner, manager or holder of the business license knew or reasonably should have known that the employee was acting in violation of the provisions of this section.
- 3. As used in this section, "diversion" means the willful redirection of a customer to an alternative business, contrary to the request of the 28 29 customer.
- Sec. 16. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6 of NRS 30 *706.8827:* 31
- 1. Not later than 45 days after the date on which a taxicab authority 32 receives an application for a certificate of public convenience and 33 34 necessity for the operation of a limousine, the taxicab authority shall hold a prehearing conference with the applicant. 35
 - The taxicab authority may authorize discovery on the application, beginning on the first day after the day on which the prehearing conference is held. The period for discovery may not exceed 90 days.
- 38 If a period for discovery is authorized pursuant to subsection 2, 39 the taxicab authority shall provide a period for response, beginning on 40 the first day after the date on which the period for discovery expires. The period for response may not exceed 30 days.

- The taxicab authority shall hold a hearing on the application not later than 120 days after the date on which the prehearing conference is held.
- Sec. 17. An applicant for a driver's permit pursuant to NRS 706.8841 must include his social security number with his application for the initial issuance or renewal of a driver's permit. The taxicab authority to which the application for a driver's permit is submitted shall keep the social security number of each applicant and licensee in the record for the applicant or permittee, as appropriate.
- **Sec. 18.** 1. A person who applies to a taxicab authority for the issuance or renewal of a driver's permit pursuant to NRS 706.8841 shall 12 submit to the taxicab authority the statement prescribed by the welfare division of the department of human resources pursuant to NRS 425.520. The statement must be completed and signed by the applicant.
 - Each taxicab authority shall include the statement required pursuant to subsection 1 in:
- (a) The application or any other forms that must be submitted for the 17 issuance or renewal of the permit; or 18
 - (b) A separate form prescribed by the taxicab authority.

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- A driver's permit may not be issued or renewed by a taxicab authority if the applicant:
 - (a) Fails to submit the statement required by subsection 1; or
- (b) Indicates on the statement submitted pursuant to subsection 1 that he is subject to a court order for the support of a child and is not in compliance with the order or a plan approved by the district attorney or other public agency enforcing the order for the repayment of the amount owed pursuant to the order.
- 4. If a person's driver's permit has been suspended or revoked 29 pursuant to this chapter, the taxicab authority may not reinstate the permit if the person:
 - (a) Fails to submit the statement required by subsection 1; or
- (b) Indicates on the statement submitted pursuant to subsection 1 that 32 he is subject to a court order for the support of a child and is not in 33 compliance with the order or a plan approved by the district attorney or other public agency enforcing the order for the repayment of the amount owed pursuant to the order. 36
- If the applicant indicates on the statement submitted pursuant to 37 subsection 1 that he is subject to a court order for the support of a child and is not in compliance with the order or a plan approved by the district attorney or other public agency enforcing the order for the repayment of 41 the amount owed pursuant to the order, the taxicab authority shall advise

42 the applicant to contact the district attorney or other public agency

enforcing the order to determine the actions that the applicant may take to satisfy the arrearage.

6. The taxicab authority shall keep each statement submitted by an applicant pursuant to subsection 1 in the record of the applicant.

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- Sec. 19. 1. If a taxicab authority receives a copy of a court order issued pursuant to NRS 425.540 that provides for the suspension of all professional, occupational and recreational licenses, certificates and permits issued to a person who is the holder of a driver's permit issued by that taxicab authority, the taxicab authority shall deem the driver's permit issued to that person to be suspended at the end of the 30th day after the date on which the court order was issued unless the taxicab authority receives a letter issued to the holder of the permit by the district attorney or other public agency pursuant to NRS 425.550 stating that the holder of the permit has complied with the subpoena or warrant or has satisfied the arrearage pursuant to NRS 425.560.
 - 2. A taxicab authority shall reinstate a driver's permit that has been suspended by a district court pursuant to NRS 425.540 if the taxicab authority receives a letter issued by the district attorney or other public agency pursuant to NRS 425.550 to the person whose permit was suspended stating that the person whose permit was suspended has complied with the subpoena or warrant, or has satisfied the arrearage pursuant to NRS 425.560.
 - Sec. 20. 1. The board of county commissioners of each county which is not otherwise subject to the jurisdiction of a taxicab authority pursuant to sections 12 and 13 of this act, shall, by ordinance, elect to:
 - (a) Include the county in the jurisdiction of the taxicab authority for southern Nevada;
- 28 (b) Include the county in the jurisdiction of the taxicab authority for 29 northern Nevada; or
- 30 (c) Exclude the county from the jurisdiction of both the taxicab 31 authority for southern Nevada and the taxicab authority for northern 32 Nevada.
 - 2. Upon enacting such an ordinance, the board of county commissioners shall notify each taxicab authority specified in the ordinance, the previous taxicab authority to whose jurisdiction the county was subject, if any, and the department of the ordinance.
- Sec. 21. 1. If a board of county commissioners enacts an ordinance approving the exclusion of the county from the jurisdiction of a taxicab authority pursuant to section 20 of this act, the board of county commissioners may enact such other ordinances as it may deem necessary to regulate the conduct of the business of taxicab motor carriers and limousine motor carriers that are based and primarily

operate within that county. If enacted, such ordinances must be consistent with the legislative policies set forth in NRS 706.151.

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- 2. If a board of county commissioners enacts an ordinance approving the inclusion of the county in the jurisdiction of the taxicab authority for southern Nevada or the taxicab authority for northern Nevada, the board of county commissioners shall not amend or repeal the ordinance, or enact any other ordinance pursuant to section 20 of this act, for at least 2 years after the date on which the ordinance approving the inclusion of the county in the jurisdiction of a taxicab authority becomes effective.
 - 3. A person who is regulated by a county in accordance with this section shall pay to the county \$100 per year for each taxicab and \$500 per year for each limousine that the person operates and a fee set by the board of county commissioners by ordinance that must not exceed 20 cents per trip for each compensable trip of each of those taxicabs, which may be added to the meter charge.
- 4. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, all money collected by the board of county commissioners relating to the regulation of taxicab motor carriers and limousine motor carriers pursuant to this section must be deposited with the county treasurer of that county and accounted for separately in the county general fund. All money collected by a county for a fine or other monetary penalty must be deposited with the state treasurer for deposit in the state general fund.
 - 5. No ordinance enacted by a board of county commissioners pursuant to:
 - (a) Section 20 of this act to exclude the county from the jurisdiction of a taxicab authority; or
- (b) Subsection 1 to regulate the conduct of the business of taxicab
 motor carriers and limousine motor carriers that are based and primarily
 operate within that county,
 may be construed as motor vehicle registration law and any license fees
- may be construed as motor vehicle registration law and any license fees that may be imposed by a board of county commissioners pursuant thereto are in addition to the fees for motor vehicle registration required under the laws of this state.
 - **Sec. 22.** NRS 706.011 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 706.011 As used in [NRS 706.013 to 706.791, inclusive,] this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in NRS 706.013 to 706.146, inclusive, and sections 2 to 10, inclusive, of this act have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.
- Sec. 23. NRS 706.013 is hereby amended to read as follows: 706.013 "Advertise" means the commercial use of any medium,
- 42 including, but not limited to, the radio or television, or a newspaper,
- 43 magazine, directory, sign or other printed matter, by [a common or contract

motor carrier] an operator of a tow car to bring the services of the [carrier] operator to the attention of members of the general public.

Sec. 24. NRS 706.036 is hereby amended to read as follows:

706.036 "Common motor carrier" means any person or operator who holds himself out to the public as willing to transport by vehicle from place to place, either upon fixed route or on-call operations, passengers or property, including a common motor carrier of passengers [,] and a common motor carrier of property. [, and] The term does not include a taxicab motor carrier [.], a limousine motor carrier or an operator of a tow car.

Sec. 25. NRS 706.041 is hereby amended to read as follows:

706.041 "Common motor carrier of passengers" means any person or operator [, including a taxicab motor carrier,] who holds himself out to the public as willing to transport by vehicle from place to place, either upon fixed route or on-call operations, passengers or passengers and light express for all who may choose to employ him. The term does not include a taxicab motor carrier or limousine motor carrier.

Sec. 26. NRS 706.046 is hereby amended to read as follows:

706.046 "Common motor carrier of property" means any person or operator, including a motor convoy carrier, who holds himself out to the public as willing to transport by motor vehicle from place to place, either upon fixed route or on-call operations, the property of all who may choose to employ him. *The term does not include an operator of a tow car.*

Sec. 27. NRS 706.051 is hereby amended to read as follows:

706.051 "Contract motor carrier" means any person or operator engaged in transportation by motor vehicle of passengers or household goods for compensation pursuant to continuing contracts with one person or a limited number of persons:

- 1. For the furnishing of transportation services through the assignment of motor vehicles for a continuing period [of time] to the exclusive use of each person served;
- 2. For the furnishing of transportation services designed to meet the distinct need of each individual customer; and
- 3. Not operating as a common motor carrier of passengers or property ..., or as a taxicab motor carrier or limousine motor carrier.

Sec. 28. NRS 706.085 is hereby amended to read as follows:

706.085 "Household goods" means personal effects and property used or to be used in a dwelling which are part of the equipment or supply of the dwelling and [such] other similar property. [as the authority may provide by regulation.] The term does not include property moving from a factory or store, except property that the householder has purchased with the intent to use in his dwelling and that is transported at the request of, and the

to use in his dwelling and that is transported at the request of, and the transportation charges paid to the carrier by, the householder.

- **Sec. 29.** NRS 706.124 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.124 *1.* "Taxicab" means a vehicle which is not operated over a fixed route, is designed or constructed to accommodate and transport not more than six passengers, including the driver, and is:
- [1.] (a) Fitted with a taximeter or has some other device, method or system to indicate and determine the passenger fare charged for the distance traveled;
- [2.] (b) Used in the transportation of passengers or light express, or both, for which a charge or fee is received; or
- 10 [3.] (c) Operated in any service which is held out to the public as being available for the transportation of passengers from place to place in the State of Nevada.
 - 2. The term does not include a motor vehicle of:
- 14 (a) A common motor carrier;

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- (b) A contract motor carrier;
- (c) An employer who operates the vehicle for the transportation of his employees, whether or not the employees pay for the transportation;
- (d) An operator of a bus service; or
- 19 (e) A limousine motor carrier.
 - **Sec. 30.** NRS 706.151 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.151 1. It is hereby declared to be the purpose and policy of the legislature in enacting this chapter:
 - (a) [Except to the extent otherwise provided in NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, to] To confer upon the transportation services authority the power and to make it the duty of the transportation services authority to regulate [fully regulated carriers,] operators of tow cars [and brokers of regulated services] to the extent provided in this chapter, and to confer upon the department the power to license all motor carriers subject to the provisions of this chapter and to make it the duty of the department to enforce the provisions of this chapter and the regulations adopted by the transportation services authority pursuant [to it,] thereto, to relieve the undue burdens on the highways arising by reason of the use of the highways by vehicles in a gainful occupation thereon.
 - (b) To provide for reasonable compensation for the use of the highways in gainful occupations, and enable the State of Nevada, by using license fees, to provide for the proper construction, maintenance and repair thereof, and thereby protect the safety and welfare of the traveling and shipping public in their use of the highways.
 - (c) To provide for fair and impartial regulation, to promote safe, adequate, economical and efficient service and to foster sound economic conditions in motor transportation.

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42 (d) To encourage the establishment and maintenance of reasonable 43 charges for

- (1) Intrastate transportation by fully regulated carriers; and
- (2) Towing towing services performed without the prior consent of the owner of the vehicle or the person authorized by the owner to operate the vehicle, without unjust discriminations against or undue preferences or advantages being given to any [motor carrier] operator of a tow car or applicant for a certificate of public convenience and necessity.
 - (e) To discourage any practices which would tend to increase or create competition that may be detrimental to the [traveling and shipping public or the motor carrier] business of towing vehicles without the prior consent of the owner of the vehicle or the person authorized by the owner to operate *the vehicle* within this state.
- 12 2. All [of] the provisions of this chapter must be administered and enforced with a view to carrying out the declaration of policy contained in 13 this section. 14
- Sec. 31. NRS 706.1511 is hereby amended to read as follows: 15 16
 - 706.1511 1. The transportation services authority is hereby created.
- The *chief of the transportation services* authority [consists of three] 17 members appointed by the governor. After the initial term each member 18 shall serve] is the commissioner of the transportation services authority. 19 The governor shall appoint the commissioner for a term of 4 years. 20
- 3. The [governor shall appoint to the authority members who] person 21 appointed as the commissioner must have at least 2 years of experience in 22 one or more of the following fields: 23
 - (a) Accounting.
 - (b) Business administration.
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- (d) Administrative law. 27
- (e) Transportation. 28
- 29 (f) Professional engineering.
- At least one but not more than two of the members appointed must be 30 residents of Clark County. 31
- 32 4. Not more than two of the members may be:
- (a) Members of the same political party. 33
- 34 (b) From the same field of experience.
- 5. All of the members 35
- The commissioner must be person who are a person who is 36 independent of the industries regulated by the *transportation services* 37 authority. No elected officer of this state or any political subdivision is 38 eligible for appointment. 39
 - [6. The members of the authority]
- **The commissioner** shall give [their] his entire time to the business 41 42 of the *transportation services* authority and shall not pursue any other
- business vocation hold other office profit. or any of

[7. Each member of the authority]

- **6.** The commissioner serves at the pleasure of the governor.
 - **Sec. 32.** NRS 706.1513 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 4 706.1513 The *transportation services* authority may sue and be sued in the name of the transportation services authority.
 - **Sec. 33.** NRS 706.1515 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.1515 1. Any [common or contract carrier] operator of a tow car subject to the jurisdiction of the transportation services authority that elects to maintain its books and records outside the State of Nevada [shall,] must, in addition to any other assessment and fees provided for by law, be assessed in advance by the transportation services authority for an amount which the transportation services authority reasonably estimates will be equal to the amount that will be incurred for the travel expenses and the excess of the out-of-state subsistence allowances over the in-state subsistence allowances, as fixed by NRS 281.160, [of members] by the commissioner of the transportation services authority and staff, for investigations, inspections and audits required to be performed outside this state.
 - 2. The [assessments] actual amount of the assessment provided for by this section must be determined by the transportation services authority upon the completion of each such investigation, inspection, audit or appearance. [and are] If the actual amount of the assessment is less than the estimated amount of the assessment, the transportation services authority shall refund the difference to the affected operator, as appropriate. If the actual amount of the assessment is greater than the estimated amount of the assessment paid by the affected operator, the transportation services authority shall assess the affected operator an amount that is equal to the difference between the estimated and actual assessment. The final assessment is due within 30 days after receipt by the affected [common or contract carrier] operator of the notice of the assessment.
 - 3. The records of the *transportation services* authority relating to the additional costs incurred by reason of the necessary additional travel must be open for inspection by the affected [common or contract carrier] *operator* at any time within the 30-day period.
 - **Sec. 34.** NRS 706.1516 is hereby amended to read as follows: 706.1516 1. The transportation services authority regulatory fund is hereby created as a special revenue fund. [All] *Except as otherwise provided in this section, all* money collected by the *transportation services* authority pursuant to law must be deposited in the state treasury for credit to the fund.
- 42 2. Money in the fund may be used only to defray the costs of:

- (a) Maintaining staff and equipment needed to regulate adequately persons subject to the jurisdiction of the *transportation services* authority.
- (b) Participating in all proceedings relevant to the jurisdiction of the transportation services authority.
 - (c) Audits, inspections, investigations, publication of notices, reports and retaining consultants connected with that maintenance and participation.
- (d) The salaries, travel expenses and subsistence allowances of the [members] commissioner and staff of the transportation services authority.
- All claims against the fund must be paid as other claims against the 3. state are paid.
- The *transportation services* authority must furnish upon request a statement showing the balance remaining in the fund as of the close of the 14 preceding fiscal year. 15
 - Money collected by the transportation services authority from a fine or penalty must be deposited into the state highway fund.
 - **Sec. 35.** NRS 706.1517 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 706.1517 Employees of the *transportation services* authority who are peace officers may carry firearms in the performance of their duties.
 - NRS 706.1518 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.1518 Except as otherwise provided in NRS 706.1725, the 22
- transportation services authority shall make and publish biennial reports showing its proceedings. All biennial reports, records, proceedings, papers and files of the *transportation services* authority must be open at all reasonable times to the public. 26
- **Sec. 37.** NRS 706.156 is hereby amended to read as follows: 27
 - 706.156 [1. All common and contract motor carriers and brokers] All operators of tow cars are hereby declared to be, to the extent provided in this chapter:
 - $\frac{[(a)]}{1}$. Affected with a public interest; and
 - Subject to NRS [706.011] 706.151 to 706.791, inclusive [-[(b)] 2.
- 33 2. A purchaser or broker of transportation services which are provided 34 by a common motor carrier who holds a certificate of public convenience and necessity may resell those services, in combination with other services 35 and facilities that are not related to transportation, but only in a manner complying with the scope of authority set forth in the certificate of the 37 common motor carrier. The authority shall not prohibit or restrict such a
- purchaser or broker from reselling those transportation services to any
- person based upon that person's affiliation, or lack of affiliation, with any
- group.], and section 11 of this act.

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- Sec. 38. NRS 706.166 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.166 The *transportation services* authority shall: 2
- [Subject to the limitation provided in NRS 706.168 and to] To the 3 extent provided in this chapter, supervise and regulate [:
- (a) Every fully regulated carrier and broker of regulated services in this state in all matters directly related to those activities of the motor carrier
- and broker actually necessary for the transportation of persons or property,
- including the handling and storage of that property, over and along the highways. 9

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- (b) Every operator of a tow car concerning the rates and charges 10 assessed for towing services performed without the prior consent of the
- operator of the vehicle or the person authorized by the owner to operate the 12
- vehicle and pursuant to the provisions of NRS [706.011] 706.151 to 13
- 14 706.791, inclusive \square , and section 11 of this act.
 - 2. [Supervise and regulate the storage of household goods and effects in warehouses and the operation and maintenance of such warehouses in accordance with the provisions of this chapter and chapter 712 of NRS.
- 17 —3.] Enforce the standards of safety applicable to the employees, 18
- equipment, facilities and operations of **those common and contract carriers** 19 subject to the authority or the department] operators of tow cars by: 20
 - (a) Providing training in safety;
- (b) Reviewing and observing the programs or inspections of [the carrier] 22 *operators of tow cars* relating to safety; and 23
- (c) Conducting inspections relating to safety. [at the operating terminals 24 of the carrier. 25
- 4.3. To carry out the policies expressed in NRS 706.151, adopt 26 regulations providing for agreements between two or more **fully regulated** 27 carriers or two or more] operators of tow cars relating to: 28
- (a) Fares of fully regulated carriers; 29
- (b) All rates of [fully regulated carriers and rates of] operators of tow 30 cars for towing services performed without the prior consent of the owner 31 of the vehicle or the person authorized by the owner to operate the vehicle; 32
- 33 (c) Classifications;
- 34 (d) Divisions;
- (e) Allowances; and 35
- (f) All charges of fully regulated carriers and 36
- (b) All charges of operators of tow cars for towing services performed 37
- without the prior consent of the owner of the vehicle or the person 38
- authorized by the owner to operate the vehicle. [, including charges 39
- between carriers and compensation paid or received for the use of facilities and equipment. 41
- 42 These regulations may not provide for collective agreements which restrain
- from independent action. any party taking free and

- [5.] 4. Review decisions of [the] a taxicab authority appealed to the transportation services authority pursuant to NRS 706.8819.
 - **Sec. 39.** NRS 706.167 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.167 1. Each [fully regulated carrier,] operator of a tow car [and common or contract carrier] regulated by the *transportation services* authority shall:
- (a) Keep uniform and detailed accounts of all business transacted in the manner required by the *transportation services* authority by regulation and render them to the *transportation services* authority upon its request.
- (b) Furnish an annual report to the *transportation services* authority in the form and detail that it prescribes by regulation.
- The regulations of the *transportation services* authority may not require an operator of a tow car to keep accounts and report information concerning
- towing services *performed without the prior consent of the owner of the*
- 14 towing services performed without the prior consent of the owner of the 15 vehicle or the person authorized by the owner to operate the vehicle other
- than information that is necessary to permit the *transportation services*
- authority to enforce the provisions of NRS [706.011] 706.151 to 706.791,
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- 19 $\frac{2}{2}$ Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the 3, and section 11 20 of this act.
 - 2. The reports required by this section must be prepared for each calendar year and submitted not later than May 15 of the year following the year for which the report is submitted.
 - 3. [A carrier may, with the permission of the authority, prepare the reports required by this section for a year other than a calendar year that the authority specifies and submit them not later than a date specified by the authority in each year.
- 28 **4.]** If the *transportation services* authority finds that necessary information is not contained in a report submitted pursuant to this section, it may call for the omitted information at any time.
 - **Sec. 40.** NRS 706.1675 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.1675 Every annual report, record or statement required by law to be made to the *transportation services* authority must be submitted under oath by the proper officer, agent or person responsible for submitting the report, record or statement.
- Sec. 41. NRS 706.169 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 37 706.169 The department shall [:
- 38 1. Regulate the activities of common and contract carriers of property other than fully regulated carriers and operators of tow cars.
- 40 2. Regulate] regulate the licensing of private motor carriers of property
- used for private commercial enterprises on any highway in this state.

- **Sec. 42.** NRS 706.171 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.171 1. The [authority and the] department may:

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- (a) Make necessary and reasonable regulations governing the
 administration and enforcement of the provisions of this chapter for which
 [they are each] the department is responsible.
 - (b) Adopt by reference any appropriate rule or regulation, as it exists at the time of adoption, issued by the United States Department of Transportation, the Surface Transportation Board, any other agency of the Federal Government, or the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners.
 - (c) Require such reports and the maintenance of such records as [they determine] the department determines to be necessary for the administration and enforcement of this chapter.
 - (d) Except as otherwise provided in this section, examine, at any time during the business hours of the day, the books, papers and records of any [fully regulated carrier, and of any other] common, contract or private motor carrier, taxicab motor carrier, limousine motor carrier or operator of a tow car doing business in this state to the extent necessary for [their respective duties. The authority and] the department to carry out the provisions of this chapter. The department may examine in other states or require by subpoena the production inside this state of such books, papers and records as are not maintained in this state.
 - (e) Temporarily waive any requirement for a [certificate or permit] *license* when an emergency exists as defined in NRS 706.561.
 - 2. No personnel records of an employee of a [fully regulated carrier, or of any other] common, contract or private motor carrier, taxicab motor carrier, limousine motor carrier or operator of a tow car may be examined pursuant to paragraph (d) of subsection 1 unless the records contain information relating to a matter of public safety or [the authority and] the department [determine] determines that the examination is required to protect the interests of the public.
 - 3. The department may adopt regulations to ensure the payment of any fee due or authorized pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.
 - 4. As used in this section, "personnel records" does not include:
 - (a) The name of the employee who is the subject of the record;
 - (b) The gross compensation and perquisites of the employee;
- 37 (c) Any record of the business expenses of the employee;
- 38 (d) The title or any description of the position held by the employee;
- (e) The qualifications required for the position held by the employee;
- 40 (f) The business address of the employee;
- (g) The telephone number of the employee at his place of business;
- 42 (h) The work schedule of the employee;
- 43 (i) The date on which the employee began his employment; and

- (j) If applicable, the date on which the employment of the employee was terminated.
- **Sec. 43.** NRS 706.1715 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.1715 1. The attorney general shall:

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- (a) Act as counsel and attorney for the *transportation services* authority in all actions, proceedings and hearings.
- (b) Prosecute in the name of the transportation services authority all civil actions for the enforcement of this chapter and for the recovery of any penalty or forfeiture provided for therein.
- (c) Generally aid the *transportation services* authority in the performance of its duties and the enforcement of this chapter.
- The attorney general or any district attorney may prosecute any 12 violation of this chapter [or chapter 712 of NRS] for which a criminal 13 penalty is provided.
 - **Sec. 44.** NRS 706.1717 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 706.1717 The *transportation services* authority may, in carrying out its duties:
 - Cooperate with the Federal Government and its departments and 1.
 - Confer with the regulatory agencies of other states on matters of mutual concern and benefit to persons served by *operators of tow cars*, taxicab motor carriers and limousine motor carriers of this state.
 - Use the services, records, facilities and cooperation of federal and state regulatory agencies, and hold joint hearings and participate in joint conferences to reach decisions in matters that require cooperation. All necessary expenses incurred in attending hearings and conferences outside this state are a charge against the state and must be audited and paid as other claims against the state are paid.
 - **Sec. 45.** NRS 706.172 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 706.172 The transportation services authority may:
 - (a) Make necessary and reasonable regulations governing the administration and enforcement of the provisions of this chapter for which the transportation services authority is responsible.
- 34 (b) Require such reports and the maintenance of such records as the transportation services authority determines to be necessary for the 35 administration and enforcement of this chapter. 36
- (c) Temporarily waive any requirement for a certificate when an 38 emergency exists as defined in NRS 706.561.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection [2, any, member of] 3, 39 40 the *commissioner of the transportation services* authority, or any officer or employee of the *transportation services* authority who is designated by 41 the *commissioner of the transportation services* authority may examine
- during the regular business hours the books, accounts, records, minutes,

- papers and property of any person who is regulated by the *transportation* services authority. [and who does business in this state, whether or not the book, account, record, minutes, paper or property is located within this state.
- 2.] The transportation services authority may examine in other states or require by subpoena the production inside this state of any such books, accounts, records, minutes, papers and property that are not maintained in this state.
- 3. No personnel records of an employee may be examined pursuant to subsection [1] 2 unless the records contain information relating to a matter of public safety or the *transportation services* authority determines that the examination is required to protect the interests of the public.
 - [3.] 4. As used in this section, "personnel records" does not include:
- (a) The name of the employee who is the subject of the record;
 - (b) The gross compensation and perquisites of the employee;
 - (c) Any record of the business expenses of the employee;
- (d) The title or any description of the position held by the employee;
- (e) The qualifications required for the position held by the employee;
- 19 (f) The business address of the employee;

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- 20 (g) The telephone number of the employee at his place of business;
- 21 (h) The work schedule of the employee;
- 22 (i) The date on which the employee began his employment; and
- 23 (j) If applicable, the date on which the employment of the employee was terminated.
 - **Sec. 46.** NRS 706.1725 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.1725 1. Any books, accounts, records, minutes, papers and property of any [carrier] operator of a tow car that are subject to examination pursuant to NRS 706.1518 and 706.172, and are made
- 29 available to the *transportation services* authority, any officer or employee
- of the *transportation services* authority, or any other person under the
- 31 condition that the disclosure of such information to the public be withheld
- or otherwise limited, must not be disclosed to the public unless the
- transportation services authority first determines that the disclosure is justified.
 - 2. The *transportation services* authority shall take such actions as are necessary to protect the confidentiality of such information, including, without limitation:
 - (a) Granting such protective orders as it deems necessary; and
 - (b) Holding closed hearings to receive or examine such information.
- 3. If the *transportation services* authority closes a hearing to receive or examine such information, it shall:
- 42 (a) Restrict access to the records and transcripts of such hearings
- without the prior approval of the transportation services authority or an

- order of a court of competent jurisdiction authorizing access to the records or transcripts; and
- (b) Prohibit any participant at such a hearing from disclosing such information without the prior authorization of the *transportation services* authority.
- 4. The *transportation services* authority shall consider in an open meeting whether the information reviewed or examined in a closed hearing may be disclosed without revealing the confidential subject matter of the information. To the extent the *transportation services* authority determines the information may be disclosed, the information must become a part of the records available to the public. Information that the *transportation services* authority determines may not be disclosed must be kept under seal.
- Sec. 47. NRS 706.173 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 706.173 1. The *transportation services* authority or the department may, by regulation applicable to [common, contract and private motor carriers of passengers and property,] operators of tow cars, adopt standards for safety for drivers and vehicles.
 - 2. The department may, by regulation applicable to common, contract and private motor carriers of passengers or property, taxicab motor carriers, limousine motor carriers and operators of tow cars, adopt standards for safety for drivers and vehicles.
 - 3. The department may, by regulation applicable to all motor vehicles transporting hazardous materials, adopt standards for the transportation of hazardous materials and hazardous waste as defined in NRS 459.430.
 - **Sec. 48.** NRS 706.176 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.176 The *commissioner of the transportation services* authority may:
 - 1. Appoint a deputy who serves in the unclassified service of the state.
 - 2. Employ such other personnel as may be necessary.
- Sec. 49. NRS 706.197 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.197 1. The *transportation services* authority may collect fees for the filing of any official document required by this chapter or by a regulation of the *transportation services* authority.
 - 2. Filing fees may not exceed:
 - (a) For applications, \$200.

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- (b) For petitions seeking affirmative relief, \$200.
- 37 (c) For each tariff page that requires public notice and is not attached to 38 an application, \$10. If more than one page is filed at one time, the total fee 39 may not exceed the cost of notice and publication.
 - (d) For all other documents that require public notice, \$10.
- 41 (e) For an amended application, the cost of publication.

- 3. If an application or other document is rejected by the *transportation services* authority because it is inadequate or inappropriate, the filing fee must be returned.
- 4 4. The *transportation services* authority may not charge any fee for filing a complaint.
 - **Sec. 50.** NRS 706.201 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 706.201 To the extent that such costs cannot be paid for from the transportation services authority regulatory fund, the costs of administration of [this chapter] NRS 706.151 to 706.791, inclusive, and section 11 of this act by the transportation services authority must be paid from the state highway fund on claims presented by the transportation services authority or department, approved by the state board of examiners.
 - **Sec. 51.** NRS 706.226 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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- 706.226 No common, contract or private motor carrier, *taxicab motor carrier*, *limousine motor carrier or operator of a tow car* may operate on any highway [nor any broker of regulated services engage in business] in this state except in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.
- **Sec. 51.5.** NRS 706.231 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.231 Sheriffs and all other peace officers and traffic officers of this state are charged with the duty, without further compensation, of assisting in the enforcement of this chapter. [They] *The officers* shall make arrests for this purpose when requested by an authorized agent of the department, *transportation services* authority or other competent authority.
 - Sec. 52. NRS 706.246 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 25 706.246 *1.* Except as otherwise provided in NRS 706.235:
- 26 [1.] (a) A common or contract motor carrier, taxicab motor carrier, limousine motor carrier or operator of a tow car shall not permit or
- 27 *limousine motor carrier or operator of a tow car* shall not permit or require a driver to drive or tow any vehicle revealed by inspection or
- operation to be in such condition that its operation would be hazardous or
- 30 likely to result in a breakdown of the vehicle, and a driver shall not drive or
- 31 tow any vehicle which by reason of its mechanical condition is so
- 32 imminently hazardous to operate as to be likely to cause an accident or a
- breakdown of the vehicle. If, while any vehicle is being operated on a
- 34 highway, it is discovered to be in such an unsafe condition, it may be
- continued in operation, except as further limited by [subsection 2,]
- 36 paragraph (b) or (c), only to the nearest place where repairs can safely be
- effected, and even that operation may be conducted only if it is less
- hazardous to the public than permitting the vehicle to remain on the highway.
- 40 [2. A common or contract motor carrier or private motor carrier]
- 41 **(b)** An operator of a tow car shall not permit or require a driver to drive
- 42 or tow, and a driver shall not drive or tow, any vehicle which:

(1) By reason of its mechanical condition is so imminently hazardous to operate as to be likely to cause an accident or a breakdown;

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- (b) (2) Has been declared "out of service" by an authorized 4 employee of the *transportation services* authority. [or the department.] When the repairs have been made, the **[carrier]** operator shall so certify to the *transportation services* authority [or the department, whichever agency declared the vehicle "out of service,"] as required by the transportation services authority. for the department.
 - (c) A common or contract motor carrier, private motor carrier, taxicab motor carrier, limousine motor carrier or operator of a tow car shall not permit or require a driver to drive, and a driver shall not drive, any vehicle which:
 - (1) By reason of its mechanical condition is so imminently hazardous to operate as to be likely to cause an accident or a breakdown;
- (2) Has been declared "out of service" by an authorized employee 17 of the department.
- When the repairs have been made, the carrier or operator, as appropriate, shall so certify to the department, as required by the 21 department.
- The transportation services authority may adopt such regulations 22 as are necessary to carry out a program for inspecting vehicles pursuant to this section.
 - Sec. 53. NRS 706.251 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 25 706.251 1. Every person operating a vehicle used by any motor 26 carrier under the jurisdiction of the *transportation services* authority shall 27 forthwith report each accident occurring on the public highway, wherein the vehicle may have injured the person or property of some person other than the person or property carried by the vehicle, to the sheriff or other peace 30 officer of the county where the accident occurred. If the accident 31 immediately or proximately causes death, the person in charge of the 32 vehicle, or any officer investigating the accident, shall furnish to the 33 34 *transportation services* authority such detailed report thereof as required by the *transportation services* authority. 35
 - All accident reports required in this section must be filed in the office of the *transportation services* authority and there preserved. An accident report made as required by this chapter, or any report of the transportation services authority made pursuant to any accident investigation made by it, is not open to public inspection and must not be disclosed to any person, except upon order of the *transportation services*
- authority. The reports must not be admitted as evidence or used for any

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purpose in any action for damages growing out of any matter mentioned in
the accident report or report of any such investigation.
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- **Sec. 54.** NRS 706.256 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- The *transportation services* authority may, in the interest of 706.256 4 safety or service, after hearing:
 - 1. Determine and order repairs of facilities of feommon and contract motor carriers; operators of tow cars; and
- 2. Order the use of safety appliances by such carriers in the interest of the public and employees.
 - **Sec. 55.** NRS 706.281 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- In addition to any identifying device provided for in this 706.281 11
- chapter, each motor vehicle within the provisions of NRS 706.011 to 12
- 706.791, inclusive, under the jurisdiction of the transportation services 13
- authority must have the name of the person or operator operating the
- vehicle prominently and conspicuously displayed on both sides of the 15
- vehicle in such location, size and style as may be specified by the
- transportation services authority. The display shall not be deemed to be 17
- advertising for the purposes of NRS 706.285 unless additional information 18 about the operator is included. 19
 - This section does not apply to motor vehicles:
- (a) Weighing 10,000 pounds or less operated by private carriers and not operated in combination with any other vehicle. 22
- (b) Operated by an employer for the transportation of his employees,
- whether or not the employees pay for the transportation.]
 - Sec. 56. NRS 706.285 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.285 All advertising by [: 26

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- 1. A fully regulated carrier of intrastate commerce; and 27
- 2. And an operator of a tow car, must include the number of the 28
- 29 certificate of public convenience and necessity for contract carrier's permit issued to him by the *transportation services* authority. 30
- **Sec. 57.** NRS 706.2855 is hereby amended to read as follows: 31
- 1. If the *transportation services* authority finds, after 32 706.2855
- notice and hearing, that a person has violated NRS 706.285, the 33
- transportation services authority may, in addition to any penalty,
- punishment or disciplinary action authorized by this chapter, petition a 35
- court of competent jurisdiction for an injunction prohibiting the person from continuing to: 37
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- (a) Engage in advertising that violates the provisions of NRS 706.285; 39 or
- (b) Use any telephone number mentioned in such advertising for any 40 purpose. 41
- 42 2. If the court finds that the respondent has engaged in advertising that
- unlawful **NRS** 706.285, shall: is pursuant the 43 to court

- (a) Enjoin him from continuing the advertising.
- (b) Enjoin him from using the telephone number mentioned in the advertising for any purpose.
- (c) Issue an order that requires the telephone number mentioned in the advertising to be disconnected.
- (d) Forward a copy of the order to the appropriate provider of telephone service within 5 days after issuing the order.
- (e) If the transportation services authority has revoked the certificate of public convenience and necessity of the respondent, cancel the local business licenses and permits relating to the operation of the respondent that is subject to the jurisdiction of the transportation services authority that have been issued to the respondent.
- 3. As used in this section, "provider of telephone service" includes, but is not limited to:
 - (a) A public utility furnishing telephone service.
- (b) A provider of cellular or other service to a telephone that is installed in a vehicle or is otherwise portable.
 - **Sec. 58.** NRS 706.286 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.286 1. [When] If a complaint is made against any [fully regulated carrier or] operator of a tow car [by any person,] that:
- (a) Any of the rates, tolls, charges or schedules, or any joint rate or rates assessed by any [fully regulated carrier or by any] operator of a tow car for towing services performed without the prior consent of the owner of the vehicle or the person authorized by the owner to operate the vehicle are in any respect unreasonable or unjustly discriminatory;
- (b) Any of the provisions of NRS 706.445 to 706.453, inclusive, have been violated;
- (c) Any regulation, measurement, practice or act directly relating to the transportation of persons or property, including the handling and storage of that property, is, in any respect, unreasonable, insufficient or unjustly discriminatory; or
 - (d) Any service is inadequate,

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- the *transportation services* authority shall investigate the complaint. After receiving the complaint, the *transportation services* authority shall give a copy of [it] *the complaint* to the [carrier or] operator of a tow car against [whom] which the complaint [is] was made. Within a reasonable time thereafter, the [carrier or] operator of a tow car shall provide the *transportation services* authority with [its] his written response to the complaint according to the regulations of the *transportation services* authority.
- 2. If the *transportation services* authority determines that probable cause exists for the complaint, it shall order a hearing thereof, give notice of the hearing and conduct the hearing as it would any other hearing. *If the*

- complaint has been filed against an operator of a tow car by another operator of a tow car and the transportation services authority does not find probable cause for the complaint, the transportation services authority may recover from the complainant the cost of court reporting and investigation, and other necessary expenses incurred by the transportation services authority.
 - 3. No order affecting a rate, toll, charge, schedule, regulation, measurement, practice or act complained of may be entered without a formal hearing unless the hearing is dispensed with as provided in NRS 706.2865.
- Sec. 59. NRS 706.2865 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 706.2865 1. When, in any matter pending before the *transportation*services authority, a hearing is required by law, or is normally required by
 the *transportation services* authority, the *transportation services* authority
 shall give notice of the pendency of the matter to all persons entitled to
 notice of the hearing. The *transportation services* authority shall by
 regulation specify:
 - (a) The manner of giving notice; and

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- (b) Where not specified by law, the persons entitled to notice in each type of proceeding.
- 2. Unless, within 10 days after the date of the notice of pendency, a person entitled to notice of the hearing files with the *transportation services* authority a request that the hearing be held, the *transportation services* authority may dispense with a hearing and act upon the matter pending.
- 3. If a request for a hearing is filed, the *transportation services* authority shall give at least 10 days' notice of the hearing.
- 4. If an operator of a tow car files an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity or an application to transfer a certificate of public convenience and necessity with the authority, the authority shall give notice pursuant to the provisions of subsection 1.
 - **Sec. 60.** NRS 706.2873 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.2873 1. A complete record must be kept of all hearings before the *transportation services* authority, and all testimony must be taken down by the stenographer appointed by the *transportation services* authority, or, under the direction of any competent person appointed by the *transportation services* authority, reported by sound recording equipment
- in the manner authorized for reporting testimony in district courts. The
- testimony reported by a stenographer must be transcribed and filed with the
- 40 record in the matter. The *transportation services* authority may by
- regulation provide for the transcription or safekeeping of sound recordings.
- The costs of recording and transcribing testimony at any hearing, except
- 43 those hearings ordered pursuant to NRS 706.286 must be paid by the

- applicant. If a complaint is made pursuant to NRS 706.286 by a customer or by a political subdivision of this state or a municipal organization, the complainant is not liable for any costs. Otherwise, if there are several applicants or parties to any hearing, the *transportation services* authority may apportion the costs among them in its discretion.
 - Whenever any petition is served upon the *transportation services* authority, before the action is reached for trial, the *transportation services* authority shall file a certified copy of all proceedings and testimony taken with the clerk of the court in which the action is pending.
- A copy of the proceedings and testimony must be furnished to any party, on payment of a reasonable amount, to be fixed by the transportation services authority, and the amount must be the same for all 12 parties. 13

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- The provisions of this section do not prohibit the *transportation* services authority from restricting access to the records and transcripts of a hearing pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 706.1725.
 - NRS 706.2875 is hereby amended to read as follows: Sec. 61.
- 706.2875 1. Any party is entitled to an order by the *transportation* services authority for the appearance of witnesses or the production of books, papers and documents containing material testimony.
- Witnesses appearing upon the order of the *transportation services* authority are entitled to the same fees and mileage as witnesses in civil actions in the courts of this state. [, and the fees and mileage must be paid out of the state treasury in the same manner as other claims against the state are paid.] No fees or mileage may be allowed for a witness appearing pursuant to an order of the transportation services authority unless the [chairman] commissioner of the transportation services authority certifies the correctness of the claim.
 - Sec. 62. NRS 706.288 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.288 The *transportation services* authority may require, by order to be served on any person regulated by the *transportation services* authority in the same manner as a subpoena in a civil action, the production at a time and place designated by the *transportation services* authority of any books, accounts, papers or records kept by the person in any office or place outside this state, or verified copies in lieu thereof if the *transportation* services authority so directs, so that an examination may be made by the transportation services authority or under its direction, or for use as testimony.
- **Sec. 62.5.** NRS 706.2883 is hereby amended to read as follows: 39 40 706.2883 Any person who is aggrieved by any action or inaction of [the] a taxicab authority pursuant to NRS 706.8819 is entitled to judicial review of the decision in the manner provided by chapter 233B of NRS.

The transportation services authority may adopt such regulations as may be necessary to provide for its review of decisions of [the] a taxicab authority.

Sec. 63. NRS 706.2885 is hereby amended to read as follows: 706.2885 1. A certificate of public convenience and necessity [, permit or license issued in accordance with this chapter] issued by the transportation services authority is not a franchise and may be revoked.

- 2. The *transportation services* authority may at any time, for good cause shown, after investigation and hearing and upon 5 days' written notice to the grantee, suspend any certificate [, permit or license] issued in accordance with the provisions of NRS [706.011] 706.151 to 706.791, inclusive, *and section 11 of this act*, for a period not to exceed 60 days.
- 3. Upon receipt of a written complaint or on its own motion, the *transportation services* authority may, after investigation and hearing, revoke any certificate. [, permit or license.] If service of the notice required by subsection 2 cannot be made or if the grantee relinquishes his interest in the certificate [, permit or license] by so notifying the *transportation services* authority in writing, the *transportation services* authority may revoke the certificate [, permit or license] without a hearing.
- 19 4. The proceedings thereafter are governed by the provisions of 20 chapter 233B of NRS.
 - **Sec. 64.** NRS 706.291 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 706.291 1. The [authority shall require every fully regulated carrier and every operator of a tow car, within such time and in such amounts as the authority may designate, to file with the authority in a form required and approved by the authority a liability insurance policy, or a certificate of insurance in lieu thereof, or a bond of a surety company, or other surety, in such reasonable sum as the authority may deem necessary to protect adequately the interests of the public.
 - 2. The department shall require every tother common and contract motor carrier, tender every private motor carrier, to or operator of a tow car within such time and in such amounts as the department may designate, to file with the department in a form required and approved by the department a liability insurance policy, or a certificate of insurance in lieu thereof, a bond of a surety company, or other surety, in such reasonable sum as the department may deem necessary to protect adequately the interests of the public. In determining the amount of liability insurance or other surety required of a carrier or operator pursuant to this subsection, the department shall create a separate category for vehicles with a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating of less than 26,000 pounds and impose a lesser requirement with respect to such vehicles.
- The liability insurance policy or certificate, policy or bond of a surety company or other surety must bind the obligors thereunder to pay the

compensation for injuries to persons or for loss or damage to property resulting from the negligent operation of the carrier [.

- 4. The authority and the or operator.
- 3. The department may [jointly] prescribe by regulation the [respective] amounts and forms required by [subsections 1 and 2.] subsection 1.
- **Sec. 65.** NRS 706.296 is hereby amended to read as follows: 706.296 Every common and contract motor carrier [who] which engages in transportation intrastate and the collection of the purchase price of goods sold by the shipper to the consignee shall provide a bond, to be filed with the [authority,] department, for the benefit of the shipper in an amount which the [authority] department deems reasonably sufficient as an aggregate but not to exceed \$1,000, to insure the shipper against any loss of the [moneys] money so collected by the carrier through misappropriation, negligence or other defalcations.
 - **Sec. 66.** NRS 706.303 is hereby amended to read as follows: 706.303 The **[authority]** *department* shall adopt regulations requiring

all operators of horse-drawn vehicles [subject to its regulation and supervision] to maintain a contract of insurance against liability for injury to persons and damage to property for each such vehicle. The amounts of coverage required by the regulations:

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- (a) For bodily injury to or the death of one person in any one accident, \$250,000;
- (b) Subject to the limitations of paragraph (a), for bodily injury to or death of two or more persons in any one accident, \$500,000; and
- (c) For injury to or destruction of property in any one accident, \$50,000; or
- 2. Must not exceed a combined single-limit for bodily injury to one or more persons and for injury to or destruction of property in any one accident, \$500,000.
 - **Sec. 67.** NRS 706.305 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.305 The [authority] department shall adopt regulations requiring all operators of taxicabs subject to [its] the regulation and supervision of a taxicab authority to maintain a contract of insurance against liability for injury to persons and damage to property for each taxicab. The amounts of coverage required by the regulations:
 - 1. Must not exceed a total of:
- 39 (a) For bodily injury to or the death of one person in any one accident, 40 \$250,000;
- (b) Subject to the limitations of paragraph (a), for bodily injury to or death of two or more persons in any one accident, \$500,000; and

- (c) For injury to or destruction of property in any one accident, \$50,000; or
- Must not exceed a combined single-limit for bodily injury to one or more persons and for injury to or destruction of property in any one accident, \$500,000.
 - **Sec. 68.** NRS 706.3052 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.3052 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, an operator of a taxicab may operate under a program of self-insurance in compliance with the provisions of NRS 706.3054 or 706.3056 in lieu of the insurance against liability required by the regulations adopted pursuant to 10 NRS 706.305. 11
- An operator of a taxicab shall not operate under a program of self-12 insurance if any judgment recovered against him has not been paid in full. 13
- An operator of a taxicab to whom the department has issued a 14 certificate of self-insurance may self-insure the first \$50,000, combined 15 single-limit, per accident, of the coverage required by the regulations adopted pursuant to NRS 706.305. 17
 - **Sec. 69.** NRS 706.311 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 1. [Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, every common and contract motor carrier is required to furnish reasonably adequate service and facilities, and all transportation charges made by any such carrier must be just and reasonable.
 - 2. Every operator of a tow car is required to furnish reasonably adequate service and facilities, and all charges assessed for towing services performed without the prior consent of the owner of the vehicle or the person authorized by the owner to operate the vehicle must be just and reasonable.
- 3. 2. Every unjust and unreasonable charge for such service by any [such carrier or] operator of a tow car is prohibited and shall be deemed to 29 be unlawful. 30
- **Sec. 70.** NRS 706.321 is hereby amended to read as follows: 31
- 32 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, every
- common or contract motor carrier shall file with the authority:
- 34 — (a) Within a time to be fixed by the authority, schedules and tariffs that 35 must:
- (1) Be open to public inspection; and 36

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- (2) Include all rates, fares and charges which the carrier has 37
- established and which are in force at the time of filing for any service
- performed in connection therewith by any carrier controlled and operated 39 40 by it.
- (b) As a part of that schedule, all regulations of the carrier that in any 41
- manner affect the rates or fares charged or to be charged for any service

and all regulations of the carrier that the carrier has adopted to comply with the provisions of NRS 706.011 to 706.791, inclusive.

- —2.] Every operator of a tow car shall file with the *transportation services* authority:
- (a) Within a time to be fixed by the *transportation services* authority, schedules and tariffs that must:
 - (1) Be open to public inspection; and
- (2) Include all rates and charges for towing services performed without the prior consent of the owner of the vehicle or the person authorized by the owner to operate the vehicle which the operator has established and which are in force at the time of filing.
- (b) As a part of that schedule, all regulations of the operator of the tow car which in any manner affect the rates charged or to be charged for towing services performed without the prior consent of the owner of the vehicle or the person authorized by the owner to operate the vehicle and all regulations of the operator of the tow car that the operator has adopted to comply with the provisions of NRS [706.011] 706.151 to 706.791, inclusive -

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- No changes may be made fin any schedule, including schedules of joint rates, or in the regulations affecting any rates or charges, except upon [30] 60 days' notice to the transportation services authority. [, and all those changes must be plainly indicated on any new schedules filed in lieu thereof 30 days before the time they are to take effect. The transportation services authority, upon application of any carrier, operator of a tow car, may prescribe a shorter time within which changes may be made. The [30] 60 days' notice is not applicable when the [carrier] operator of a tow car gives written notice to the *transportation services* authority 10 days before the effective date of its participation in a tariff bureau's rates and tariffs, provided the rates and tariffs have been previously filed with and approved by the *transportation services* authority.
- [4.] 3. The transportation services authority may at any time, upon its own motion, investigate any of the rates, fares, charges, regulations, practices and services filed pursuant to this section and, after hearing, by order, make such changes as may be just and reasonable.
- [5.] 4. The transportation services authority may dispense with the hearing on any change requested in rates, fares, charges, regulations, practices or service filed pursuant to this section.
- All rates, fares, charges, classifications and joint rates, 39 regulations, practices and services fixed by the *transportation services* 40 authority are in force, and are prima facie lawful, from the date of the order 41 42 until changed or modified by the *transportation services* authority, or

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- [7. All regulations, practices and service prescribed by the authority must be enforced and are prima facie reasonable unless suspended or found otherwise in an action brought for the purpose, or until changed or modified by the authority itself upon satisfactory showing made.]
- **Sec. 71.** NRS 706.323 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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- 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the 706.323 transportation services authority may not investigate, suspend, revise or revoke any rate that is subject to the approval of the *transportation services* authority pursuant to NRS 706.321 and proposed by fa common motor carrier or contract motor carrier an operator of a tow car because the rate is too high or too low and therefore unreasonable if:
- (a) The [motor carrier] operator of a tow car notifies the transportation services authority that it wishes to have the rate reviewed by the transportation services authority pursuant to this subsection; and
- (b) The rate resulting from all increases or decreases within 1 year is not more than 10 percent above or 10 percent below the rate in effect 1 year before the effective date of the proposed rate.
- This section does not limit the authority of the transportation 18 services authority to investigate, suspend, revise or revoke a proposed rate 19 if the rate would violate the provisions of NRS 706.151. 20
 - NRS 706.326 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 706.326 Whenever there is filed with the *transportation services* authority pursuant to NRS 706.321 any schedule or tariff stating a new or revised individual or joint rate, fare or charge, or any new or revised individual or joint regulation or practice affecting any rate, fare or charge, or any schedule or tariff resulting in a discontinuance, modification or restriction of service, the *transportation services* authority may commence an investigation or, upon reasonable notice, hold a hearing concerning the propriety of the rate, fare, charge, classification, regulation, discontinuance, modification, restriction or practice.
 - Pending the investigation or hearing and the decision thereon, the transportation services authority, upon delivering to the [common or contract motor carrier operator of a tow car affected thereby a statement in writing of its reasons for the suspension, may suspend the operation of the schedule or tariff and defer the use of the rate, fare, charge, classification, regulation, discontinuance, modification, restriction or practice, but not for a longer period than 150 days beyond the [time] date when the rate, fare, charge, classification, regulation, discontinuance, modification, restriction or practice would otherwise go into effect.
 - After full investigation or hearing, whether completed before or after the date upon which the rate, fare, charge, classification, regulation, discontinuance, modification, restriction or practice is to go into effect, the
- transportation services authority may make such order in reference to the

rate, fare, charge, classification, regulation, discontinuance, modification, restriction or practice as would be proper in a proceeding initiated after the rate, fare, charge, classification, regulation, discontinuance, modification, restriction or practice has become effective.

- 4. The *transportation services* authority shall determine whether it is necessary to hold a hearing to consider the proposed change in any schedule stating a new or revised individual or joint rate, fare or charge. In making that determination, the *transportation services* authority shall consider all timely written protests, any presentation the staff of the *transportation services* authority may desire to present, the application and any other matters deemed relevant by the *transportation services* authority.
 - **Sec. 73.** NRS 706.331 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 706.331 1. If, after due investigation and hearing, any authorized rates, tolls, fares, charges, schedules, tariffs, joint rates or any regulation [, measurement, practice, act or service] that is subject to the approval of the *transportation services* authority is complained of and is found to be unjust, unreasonable, insufficient, preferential, unjustly discriminatory or otherwise in violation of the provisions of this chapter, or if it is found that the service is inadequate, or that any reasonable service cannot be obtained, the *transportation services* authority may substitute therefor such other rates, tolls, fares, charges, tariffs, schedules or regulations, [measurements, practices, service or acts] and make an order relating thereto as may be just and reasonable.
- 2. When complaint is made of more than one matter, the *transportation services* authority may order separate hearings upon the several matters complained of at such times and places as it may prescribe.
- 3. No complaint may at any time be dismissed because of the absence of direct damage to the complainant.
- 4. The *transportation services* authority may at any time, upon its own motion, investigate any of the matters listed in subsection 1, and, after a full hearing, by order, make such changes as may be just and reasonable, the same as if a formal complaint had been made.
 - **Sec. 74.** NRS 706.341 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.341 [1.] An operator of a tow car shall, in the manner prescribed by the *transportation services* authority, notify the *transportation services* authority if the operator discontinues providing towing services from an operating terminal or establishes a new operating terminal from which a tow car provides towing services within 30 days after the operator discontinues providing towing services from an operating terminal or commences operations at the new terminal.
- 41 [2. A common motor carrier, other than an operator of a tow car,
 42 authorized to operate by NRS 706.011 to 706.791, inclusive, shall not
 43 discontinue any service established pursuant to the provisions of NRS

706.011 to 706.791, inclusive, and all other laws relating thereto and made applicable thereto by NRS 706.011 to 706.791, inclusive, without an order of the authority granted only after public notice or hearing in the event of protest.]

Sec. 75. NRS 706.346 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 706.346 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, a copy, or so much of the schedule or tariff as the *transportation services* authority determines necessary for the use of the public, must be printed in plain type and posted [in every office of a common motor carrier where payments are made by customers or users,] by each operator of a tow car in such places as the transportation services authority may require which are open to the public [, in such form and place] so as to be readily accessible to the public and conveniently inspected.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, [when] if a schedule or tariff of joint rates or charges is or may be in force between two or more [common motor carriers or between any such carrier and a public utility,] operators of tow cars, the schedule or tariff must be printed and posted in the manner prescribed in subsection 1.
- 3. Only the rates for towing services performed without the prior consent of the owner of the vehicle or the person authorized by the owner to operate the vehicle must be printed and posted by an operator of a tow car pursuant to subsections 1 and 2.
- **Sec. 76.** NRS 706.351 is hereby amended to read as follows: 706.351 1. It is unlawful for:
- (a) A [fully regulated] taxicab motor carrier or limousine motor carrier to furnish any pass, frank, free or reduced rates for transportation to any state, city, district, county or municipal officer of this state or to any person other than those specifically enumerated in this section.
- (b) Any person other than those specifically enumerated in this section to receive any pass, frank, free or reduced rates for transportation.
- 2. This section does not prevent the carriage, storage or hauling free or at reduced rates of passengers or property for charitable organizations or purposes for the United States, the State of Nevada or any political subdivision thereof.
- 3. This chapter does not prohibit a fully regulated common carrier from giving free or reduced rates for transportation of persons to:
- (a) Its own officers, commission agents or employees, or members of any profession licensed under Title 54 of NRS retained by it, and members of their families.
- 40 (b) Inmates of hospitals or charitable institutions and persons over 60 years of age.
- 42 (c) Persons who are physically handicapped or mentally handicapped 43 and who present a written statement from a physician to that effect.

- (d) Persons injured in accidents or wrecks and physicians and nurses attending such persons.
 - (e) Persons providing relief in cases of common disaster.

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- (f) Attendants of livestock or other property requiring the care of an attendant, who must be given return passage to the place of shipment, if there is no discrimination among shippers of a similar class.
- (g) Officers, agents, employees or members of any profession licensed under Title 54 of NRS, together with members of their families, who are employed by or affiliated with other common carriers, if there is an interchange of free or reduced rates for transportation.
- (h) Indigent, destitute or homeless persons when under the care or responsibility of charitable societies, institutions or hospitals, together with the necessary agents employed in such transportation.
- (i) Students of institutions of learning, including, without limitation, homeless students, whether the free or reduced rate is given directly to a student or to the board of trustees of a school district on behalf of a student.
- (j) Groups of persons participating in a tour for a purpose other than transportation.
- 4. [This section does not prohibit common motor carriers from giving free or reduced rates for the transportation of property of:
- (a) Their officers, commission agents or employees, or members of any profession licensed under Title 54 of NRS retained by them, or pensioned or disabled former employees, together with that of their dependents.
- 24 (b) Witnesses attending any legal investigations in which such carriers 25 are interested.
- 26 (c) Persons providing relief in cases of common disaster.
- 27 <u>(d) Charitable organizations providing food and items for personal</u>
- 28 hygiene to needy persons or to other charitable organizations within this 29 state.
- 30 5. This section does not prohibit the authority from establishing
- 31 reduced rates, fares or charges for specified routes or schedules of any
- common motor carrier providing transit service if the reduced rates, fares
 or charges are determined by the authority to be in the public interest.
- 34 6. Only fully regulated common carriers may provide free or reduced
- rates for the transportation of passengers or household goods, pursuant to the provisions of this section.
- 37 -7.] As used in this section, "employees" includes:
- 38 (a) Furloughed, pensioned and superannuated employees.
- (b) Persons who have become disabled or infirm in the service of **[such** 40 **carriers.]** a taxicab motor carrier or limousine motor carrier.
- (c) Persons who are traveling to enter the service of such a carrier.

- **Sec. 77.** NRS 706.361 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.361 1. A person with a disability is entitled to the full and equal enjoyment of the *services and* facilities of any common motor carrier of passengers, contract motor carrier of passengers, *taxicab motor carrier*, *limousine motor carrier* or other entity providing a means of public conveyance and transportation operating within this state.
 - 2. A common motor carrier of passengers, a contract motor carrier of passengers, a taxicab motor carrier, a limousine motor carrier and other entities providing means of public conveyance and transportation shall designate a person responsible for ensuring that the carrier complies with the applicable provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 to 12213, inclusive, and 47 U.S.C. §§ 225 and 611, and the regulations adopted pursuant to that act.

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- 3. The person designated pursuant to subsection 2 shall conduct training sessions for the employees of the carrier or entity. Each employee must be provided at least 3 hours of training during one or more training sessions. During the training sessions, the designee shall:
- (a) Describe the carrier's plan for compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the regulations adopted pursuant to that act;
- 20 (b) Explain the obligations of the employees to assist a person with a disability to store a mobility device;
- (c) Explain the illegality of charging an additional fee or a higher fare to a person with a disability; and
 - (d) Ensure that each employee is trained in accordance with the requirements of 49 C.F.R. § 37.173.
 - 4. It is unlawful for any person to deny any of the privileges granted by subsection 1.
 - 5. It is unlawful for any common motor carrier, contract motor carrier, *taxicab motor carrier, limousine motor carrier* or other entity providing a means of public conveyance or transportation operating within this state, to:
- (a) Deny the equal enjoyment of its services and facilities to a person with a disability by the arbitrary, capricious or unreasonable interference, direct or indirect, with the use of aids and appliances used by a person with a disability;
 - (b) Fail to designate a person pursuant to subsection 2; or
- 36 (c) Fail to conduct the training sessions in the manner described in subsection 3.
- 6. As used in this section, "disability" has the meaning ascribed to it in 49 C.F.R. § 37.3.
- Sec. 78. NRS 706.366 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 41 706.366 1. It is unlawful for a common motor carrier of passengers,
- 42 taxicab motor carrier, limousine motor carrier or other means of public
- 43 conveyance or transportation operating in this state to:

- (a) Refuse service to a visually, aurally or physically handicapped person because he is accompanied by a guide dog, hearing dog, helping dog or other service animal;
- (b) Refuse service to a person who is training a guide dog, hearing dog, helping dog or other service animal because he is accompanied by such an animal; or
 - (c) Charge an additional fee for such an animal.

- 2. This section does not relieve a visually, aurally or physically handicapped person or a person who trains a guide dog, hearing dog, helping dog or other service animal from liability for damage which may be caused by his animal.
- 3. Visually, aurally or physically handicapped persons accompanied by guide dogs, hearing dogs, helping dogs or other service animals are subject to the same conditions and limitations that apply to persons who are not so handicapped and accompanied.
- 4. For the purposes of this section, the terms "guide dog," "hearing dog," "helping dog" and "service animal" have the meanings ascribed to them respectively in NRS 426.075, 426.081, 426.083 and 426.097.
- them respectively in NRS 426.075, 426.081, 426.083 and 426.097. **Sec. 79.** NRS 706.386 is hereby amended to read as follows: 706.386 It is unlawful, except as otherwise provided in NRS [373.117,] 706.446, 706.453 and 706.745, for [any fully regulated common motor carrier] *a person* to operate as [a carrier of intrastate commerce and
- 23 any] an operator of a tow car to perform towing services performed
 24 without the prior consent of the owner of the vehicle or the person
 25 authorized by the owner to operate the vehicle within this state without
 26 first obtaining a certificate of public convenience and necessity from the
 27 transportation services authority.
 - **Sec. 80.** NRS 706.398 is hereby amended to read as follows: 706.398 The *transportation services* authority:
 - 1. Shall revoke or suspend, pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, the certificate of public convenience and necessity of [a common motor carrier] an operator of a tow car which has failed to:
- (a) File the annual report required by NRS 706.167 within 60 days after the report is due; or
 - (b) Operate as [a carrier of intrastate commerce] an operator of a tow car in this state under the terms and conditions of its certificate, unless the [carrier] operator has obtained the prior permission of the transportation services authority.
 - 2. May revoke or suspend, pursuant to the provisions of NRS 706.2885, the certificate of public convenience and necessity of [a common motor carrier] an operator of a tow car which has failed to comply with any provision of this chapter or any regulation of the transportation services authority adopted pursuant

thereto.

- **Sec. 81.** NRS 706.411 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.411 Every order *by the transportation services authority* refusing or granting any certificates of public convenience and necessity, or granting or refusing permission to discontinue, modify or restrict service is prima facie lawful from the date of the order until changed or modified by the
- order of the *transportation services* authority pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.
 - **Sec. 82.** NRS 706.445 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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- 706.445 The *transportation services* authority may not regulate the:
- 1. Geographical area in which towing services *performed without the*11 *prior consent of the owner of the vehicle or the person authorized by the*12 *owner to operate the vehicle* are provided;
 - 2. Types of towing services performed without the prior consent of the owner of the vehicle or the person authorized by the owner to operate the vehicle that are provided; or
 - 3. Rates and charges assessed or the terms and conditions imposed for towing services performed with the prior consent of the owner of the vehicle or the person authorized by the owner to operate the vehicle, by an operator of a tow car.
 - **Sec. 83.** NRS 706.446 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 706.446 The provisions of this chapter do not require an operator of a tow car who provides towing for a licensed motor club regulated pursuant to chapter 696A of NRS to obtain a certificate of public convenience and necessity or to comply with the regulations or rates adopted by the *transportation services* authority to provide that towing.
 - **Sec. 84.** NRS 706.4463 is hereby amended to read as follows: 706.4463 1. In addition to the other requirements of this chapter, each operator of a tow car shall, to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public:
 - (a) Obtain a certificate of public convenience and necessity from the *transportation services* authority before he provides any services other than those services which he provides as a private motor carrier of property pursuant to the provisions of this chapter;
 - (b) Use a tow car of sufficient size and weight which is appropriately equipped to transport safely the vehicle which is being towed; and
 - (c) Comply with the provisions of NRS [706.011] 706.151 to 706.791, inclusive [...], and section 11 of this act.
 - 2. A person who wishes to obtain a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate a tow car must file an application with the *transportation services* authority.
- 3. The *transportation services* authority shall issue a certificate of public convenience and necessity to an operator of a tow car if it

43 determines that the applicant:

- (a) Complies with the requirements of paragraphs (b) and (c) of subsection 1;
- (b) Complies with the requirements of the regulations adopted by the *transportation services* authority pursuant to the provisions of this chapter;
- (c) Has provided evidence that he has filed with the [authority] department a liability insurance policy, a certificate of insurance or a bond of a surety and bonding company or other surety required for every operator of a tow car pursuant to the provisions of NRS 706.291; and
- 9 (d) Has provided evidence that he has filed with the *transportation*10 *services* authority schedules and tariffs pursuant to [subsection 2 of] NRS
 11 706.321.
 - 4. An applicant for a certificate has the burden of proving to the *transportation services* authority that the proposed operation will meet the requirements of subsection 3.
 - 5. The *transportation services* authority may hold a hearing to determine whether an applicant is entitled to a certificate only if:

- (a) Upon the expiration of the time fixed in the notice that an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity is pending, a petition to intervene has been granted by the *transportation services* authority; or
- (b) The *transportation services* authority finds that after reviewing the information provided by the applicant and inspecting the operations of the applicant, it cannot make a determination as to whether the applicant has complied with the requirements of subsection 3.
 - **Sec. 85.** NRS 706.4464 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.4464 1. An operator of a tow car who is issued a certificate of public convenience and necessity may transfer it to another operator of a tow car qualified pursuant to the provisions of NRS [706.011] 706.151 to 706.791, inclusive, and section 11 of this act, but no such transfer is valid for any purpose until a joint application to make the transfer is made to the transportation services authority by the transferor and the transferee, and the transferee for the transferor. No transfer of stock of a corporate operator of a tow car subject to the jurisdiction of the transportation services authority is valid without the prior approval of the transportation services authority if the effect of the transfer would be to change the corporate control of the operator of a tow car or if a transfer of 15 percent or more of the common stock of the operator of a tow car is proposed.
- 2. The *transportation services* authority shall approve an application filed with it pursuant to subsection 1 if it determines that the transferee:
- 40 (a) Complies with the provisions of NRS [706.011] 706.151 to 706.791, 41 inclusive, *and section 11 of this act*, and the regulations adopted by the 42 *transportation services* authority pursuant to those provisions;

- (b) Uses equipment that is in compliance with the regulations adopted by the *transportation services* authority;
- (c) Has provided evidence that he has filed with the [authority] *department* a liability insurance policy, a certificate of insurance or a bond of a surety and bonding company or other surety required for every operator of a tow car pursuant to the provisions of NRS 706.291; and
- (d) Has provided evidence that he has filed with the *transportation* services authority schedules and tariffs pursuant to NRS 706.321 which contain rates and charges and the terms and conditions that the operator of the tow car requires to perform towing services without the prior consent of the owner of the vehicle or the person authorized by the owner to operate the vehicle which do not exceed the rates and charges that the transferor was authorized to assess for the same services.
- The *transportation services* authority may hold a hearing concerning an application submitted pursuant to this section only if:

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- (a) Upon the expiration of the time fixed in the notice that an application for transfer of a certificate of public convenience and necessity is pending, a petition to intervene has been granted by the transportation services authority; or
- (b) The *transportation services* authority finds that after reviewing the information provided by the applicant and inspecting the operations of the applicant, it cannot make a determination as to whether the applicant has complied with the requirements of subsection 2.
- The *transportation services* authority shall not hold a hearing on an application submitted pursuant to this section if the application is made to transfer the certificate of public convenience and necessity from a natural person or partners to a corporation whose controlling stockholders will be substantially the same person or partners.
- The approval by the *transportation services* authority of an application for transfer of a certificate of public convenience and necessity of an operator of a tow car is not valid after the expiration of the term for the transferred certificate.
 - NRS 706.4468 is hereby amended to read as follows: Sec. 86.
- 33 34 706.4468 1. Each operator of a tow car shall file its charges for preparing or satisfying a lien to which the operator is entitled against a 35 vehicle that was towed without the prior consent of the owner of the vehicle or the person authorized by the owner to operate the vehicle. The 37 transportation services authority may investigate any charge filed pursuant to this subsection and revise the charge as necessary to ensure that the 39 charge is reasonable. 40
 - An operator of a tow car may not impose a charge or any part of a charge filed pursuant to subsection 1 unless the operator:
 - (a) Has initiated the procedure by which a person may satisfy a lien; and

(b) Stores the vehicle for at least 96 hours.

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- 3. If an operator of a tow car stores a vehicle that was towed without the prior consent of the owner of the vehicle or the person authorized by the owner to operate the vehicle for at least 96 hours but not more than 336 hours, the operator may charge an amount not to exceed 50 percent of the charge approved by the *transportation services* authority pursuant to subsection 1 for preparing or satisfying a lien.
 - 4. If an operator of a tow car stores a vehicle that was towed without the prior consent of the owner of the vehicle or the person authorized by the owner to operate the vehicle for more than 336 hours, the operator may charge an amount not to exceed 50 percent of the charge approved by the *transportation services* authority pursuant to subsection 1 for preparing or satisfying a lien in addition to the amount charged pursuant to subsection 3.
- Sec. 87. NRS 706.4473 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.4473 The operator shall inform each owner, or agent of the owner, of a towed motor vehicle that the owner or agent may file a complaint with the *transportation services* authority regarding any violation of the provisions of this chapter.
- 19 **Sec. 88.** NRS 706.4483 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.4483 1. The *transportation services* authority shall act upon complaints regarding the failure of an operator of a tow car to comply with the provisions of NRS [706.011] 706.151 to 706.791, inclusive [...], and section 11 of this act.
 - 2. In addition to any other remedies that may be available to the *transportation services* authority to act upon complaints, the *transportation services* authority may order the release of towed motor vehicles, cargo or personal property upon such terms and conditions as the *transportation services* authority determines to be appropriate.
 - **Sec. 89.** NRS 706.4485 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 706.4485 A law enforcement agency that maintains and uses a list of operators of tow cars which are called by that agency to provide towing shall not include an operator of a tow car on the list unless he:
- 1. Holds a certificate of public convenience and necessity issued by the *transportation services* authority.
 - 2. Complies with all applicable provisions of this chapter and chapters 482 and 484 of NRS.
- 37 3. Agrees to respond in a timely manner to requests for towing made by the agency.
- 4. Maintains adequate, accessible and secure storage within the State of Nevada for any vehicle that is towed.
- 5. Complies with all standards the law enforcement agency may adopt protect the health, safety and welfare of the public.

- Assesses only rates and charges that have been approved by the transportation services authority for towing services performed without the prior consent of the owner of the vehicle or the person authorized by the owner to operate the vehicle.
- The *transportation services* authority shall not require that an operator of a tow car charge the same rate to law enforcement agencies for towing services performed without the prior consent of the owner of the vehicle or the person authorized by the owner to operate the vehicle that the operator charges to other persons for such services.
- **Sec. 90.** NRS 706.449 is hereby amended to read as follows: 10 The *transporation services* authority may impose an 706.449 11 administrative fine pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 706.771 on the owner 12 or operator of a tow car who fails to pay in a timely manner any charge 13 required to be paid by subsection 2 of NRS 484.631. 14
- Sec. 91. NRS 706.451 is hereby amended to read as follows: 15 706.451 1. Each owner or operator of a tow car subject to the 16 jurisdiction of the *transportation services* authority shall, before 17 commencing to operate or continuing operation after July 1, 1971, and
- 18 annually thereafter, pay to the *transportation services* authority for each 19 tow car operated, a fee of not more than [\$36.] \$75. 20

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- The fee provided in this section must be paid on or before January 1 21 of each year. 22
- The initial fee must be reduced one-twelfth for each month which has elapsed since the beginning of the calendar year before July 1, 1971, for those tow cars lawfully operating on that date or before the commencement of operation of each tow car commencing operation after 26 July 1, 1971.
 - Any person who fails to pay any fee on or before the date provided in this section shall pay a penalty of 10 percent of the amount of the fee plus interest on the amount of the fee at the rate of 1 percent per month or fraction of a month from the date the fee is due until the date of payment.
 - Sec. 92. NRS 706.457 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- The *transportation services* authority may by subpoena 706.457 34 require any person believed by it to be subject to any of the provisions of NRS [706.011] 706.151 to 706.791, inclusive, and section 11 of this act, who has not obtained a required certificate of public convenience and necessity [or a required permit] issued in accordance with those sections, to appear before it with all [of] his relevant books, papers and records and to testify concerning the scope, nature and conduct of his business.
 - NRS 706.458 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- The district court in and for the county in which any 706.458 41
- 42 investigation or hearing is being conducted by the *transportation services*
- authority pursuant to the provisions of this chapter may compel the

attendance of witnesses, the giving of testimony and the production of books and papers as required by any subpoena issued by the *transportation services* authority.

- 2. If any witness refuses to attend or testify or produce any papers required by such subpoena the *transportation services* authority may report to the district court in and for the county in which the investigation or hearing is pending by petition, setting forth:
- (a) That due notice has been given of the time and place of attendance of the witness or the production of the books and papers;
- (b) That the witness has been subpoenaed in the manner prescribed in this chapter; and
- (c) That the witness has failed and refused to attend or produce the papers required by subpoena in the investigation or hearing named in the subpoena, or has refused to answer questions propounded to him in the course of such investigation or hearing,

and asking an order of the court compelling the witness to attend and testify or produce the books or papers.

- 3. The court, upon petition of the *transportation services* authority, shall enter an order directing the witness to appear before the court at a time and place to be fixed by the court in such order, the time to be not more than 10 days [from] *after* the date of the order, and then and there show cause why he has not attended or testified or produced the books or papers before the *transportation services* authority. A certified copy of the order must be served upon the witness. If it appears to the court that the subpoena was regularly issued, the court shall thereupon enter an order that the witness appear at the time and place fixed in the order and testify or produce the required books or papers, and upon failure to obey the order the witness must be dealt with as for contempt of court.
 - **Sec. 94.** NRS 706.461 is hereby amended to read as follows: 706.461 When:
- 1. A complaint has been filed with the *transportation services* authority alleging that any vehicle is being operated without a certificate of public convenience and necessity [or contract carrier's permit] as required by NRS [706.011] 706.151 to 706.791, inclusive [;], and section 11 of this act; or
 - 2. The *transportation services* authority has reason to believe that any:
 - (a) Person is advertising to provide [:

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- (1) The services of a fully regulated carrier in intrastate commerce; or
- (2) Towing services, towing services performed without the prior consent of the owner of the vehicle or the person authorized by the owner to operate the vehicle without including the number of his certificate of public convenience and pagessity or permit in each advertisen
- 2 public convenience and necessity or permit in each advertisement; or

(b) Provision of NRS [706.011] 706.151 to 706.791, inclusive, and section 11 of this act, is being violated,

the *transportation services* authority shall investigate the operations or advertising and may, after a hearing, order the owner or operator of the vehicle or the person advertising to cease and desist from any operation or

advertising in violation of NRS [706.011] 706.151 to 706.791, inclusive [.]

, and section 11 of this act. The transportation services authority shall enforce compliance with the order pursuant to the powers vested in the

9 transportation services authority by NRS [706.011] 706.151 to 706.791, inclusive, and section 11 of this act, or by other law.

Sec. 95. NRS 706.473 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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706.473 1. [In a county whose population is less than 400,000, a] A person who holds a certificate of public convenience and necessity which was issued for the operation of a taxicab business *subject to the jurisdiction of a taxicab authority* may, upon approval from the *taxicab* authority, lease a taxicab to an independent contractor who does not hold a certificate of public convenience and necessity. A person may lease only one taxicab to each independent contractor with whom he enters into a lease agreement. The taxicab may be used only in a manner authorized by the lessor's certificate of public convenience and necessity.

- 2. A person who enters into a lease agreement with an independent contractor pursuant to this section shall submit a copy of the agreement to the *appropriate taxicab* authority for its approval. The agreement is not effective until approved by the *taxicab* authority.
- 3. A person who leases a taxicab to an independent contractor is jointly and severally liable with the independent contractor for any violation of the provisions of this chapter *relating to the regulation of taxicabs* or the regulations adopted pursuant thereto, and shall ensure that the independent contractor complies with such provisions and regulations.
- 4. The *taxicab* authority *which has jurisdiction over a lease agreement* or [any of its employees] *its administrator* may intervene in a civil action involving a lease agreement entered into pursuant to this section.
 - **Sec. 96.** NRS 706.475 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.475 1. [The] *A taxicab* authority shall adopt such regulations as are necessary to:
 - (a) Carry out the provisions of NRS 706.473; and
- (b) Ensure that the taxicab business remains safe, adequate and reliable.
- 2. Such regulations must include, without limitation:
- 40 (a) The minimum qualifications for an independent contractor;
 - (b) [Requirements related to liability insurance;
- 42 (c) Minimum safety standards; and

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(c) The procedure for approving a lease agreement and the
provisions that must be included in a lease agreement concerning the
grounds for the revocation of such approval.
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Sec. 97. NRS 706.491 is hereby amended to read as follows:

706.491 Every person operating as a common, contract or private motor carrier, a taxicab motor carrier, a limousine motor carrier or an operator of a tow car must, before commencing operation in this state in any calendar year, secure from the department a license and make payments therefor as provided in NRS [706.011] 706.151 to 706.861, inclusive, and section 11 of this act, as applicable.

Sec. 98. NRS 706.631 is hereby amended to read as follows:

706.631 The remedies of the state provided for in NRS [706.011] 706.151 to 706.861, inclusive, and section 11 of this act are cumulative, and no action taken by the department or transportation services authority may be construed to be an election on the part of the state or any of its officers to pursue any remedy under NRS [706.011] 706.151 to 706.861, inclusive, and section 11 of this act, to the exclusion of any other remedy for which provision is made in NRS [706.011] 706.151 to 706.861, inclusive , and section 11 of this act.

Sec. 99. NRS 706.736 is hereby amended to read as follows: 706.736 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the provisions of NRS [706.011] 706.151 to 706.791, inclusive, and section 11 of this act do not apply to:

- (a) The transportation by a contractor licensed by the state contractors' board of his own equipment in his own vehicles from job to job.
- (b) Any person engaged in transporting his own personal effects in his own vehicle, but the provisions of this subsection do not apply to any person engaged in transportation by vehicle of property sold or to be sold, or used by him in the furtherance of any commercial enterprise other than as provided in paragraph (d), or to the carriage of any property for compensation.
 - (c) Special mobile equipment.

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- (d) The vehicle of any person, when that vehicle is being used in the production of motion pictures, including films to be shown in theaters and on television, industrial training and educational films, commercials for television and video discs and tapes.
- (e) A private motor carrier of property which is used for any convention, show, exhibition, sporting event, carnival, circus or organized recreational 38 39
- (f) A private motor carrier of property which is used to attend livestock 40 shows

sales.

- 2. Unless exempted by a specific state statute or a specific federal statute, regulation or rule, any person referred to in subsection 1 is subject to:
- 4 (a) The provisions of paragraph (d) of subsection 1 of NRS 706.171 *or subsection 2 of NRS 706.172, as appropriate,* and NRS 706.235 to 706.256, inclusive, 706.281, 706.457 and 706.458.

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- (b) All rules and regulations adopted by reference pursuant to [paragraph (b) of subsection 1 of NRS 706.171] NRS 706.151 to 706.791, inclusive, and section 11 of this act, by the department or transportation services authority, as appropriate, concerning the safety of drivers and vehicles.
 - (c) All standards adopted by regulation pursuant to NRS 706.173.
- 3. The provisions of NRS 706.311 to 706.453, inclusive, [706.471, 706.473, 706.475 and 706.6411] which authorize the *transportation services* authority to issue [:
- (a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b), certificates of public
 convenience and necessity and contract carriers' permits and to regulate
 rates, routes and services apply only to fully regulated carriers.
- (b) Certificates] certificates of public convenience and necessity to operators of tow cars and to regulate rates for towing services performed without the prior consent of the owner of the vehicle or the person authorized by the owner to operate the vehicle apply to operators of tow cars.
 - 4. Any person who operates pursuant to a claim of an exemption provided by this section but who is found to be operating in a manner not covered by any of those exemptions immediately becomes liable, in addition to any other penalties provided in this chapter, for the fee appropriate to his actual operation as prescribed in this chapter, computed from the date when that operation began.
 - **Sec. 100.** NRS 706.745 is hereby amended to read as follows: 706.745 1. The provisions of NRS 706.386 [and 706.421] do not apply to ambulances or hearses.
 - 2. [A common motor carrier who enters into an agreement for the purchase of its service by an incorporated city, county or regional transportation commission is not required to obtain a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate a system of public transit consisting of regular routes and fixed schedules. Under such an agreement, the public entity shall establish the routes and fares and provide for any required safety inspections.
- 40 —3.] A nonprofit carrier of elderly or physically or mentally handicapped
 41 persons is not required to obtain a certificate of public convenience and
 42 necessity to operate as a [common] taxicab motor carrier or limousine
 43 motor carrier of such passengers only, but such a carrier is not exempt

- from inspection by [the] a taxicab authority to determine whether its vehicles and their operation are safe.
- [4.] 3. An incorporated city, county or regional transportation commission is not required to obtain a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate a system of public transportation [.] which uses taxicabs, limousines or other vehicles for passenger service that would otherwise be subject to the jurisdiction of a taxicab authority pursuant to this chapter.
 - **Sec. 101.** NRS 706.756 is hereby amended to read as follows: 706.756 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, any person who:
 - (a) Operates a vehicle or causes it to be operated in any carriage to which the provisions of NRS [706.011] 706.151 to 706.861, inclusive, and section 11 of this act apply without first obtaining a certificate, permit or license, or in violation of the terms thereof;
 - (b) Fails to make any return or report required by the provisions of NRS [706.011] 706.151 to 706.861, inclusive, and section 11 of this act or by the transportation services authority or the department pursuant to the provisions of NRS [706.011] 706.151 to 706.861, inclusive [;], and section 11 of this act;
- (c) Violates, or procures, aids or abets the violating of, any provision of NRS [706.011] 706.151 to 706.861, inclusive [;], and section 11 of this act;
 - (d) Fails to obey any order, decision or regulation of the *transportation services* authority or the department;
- 26 (e) Procures, aids or abets any person in his failure to obey such an 27 order, decision or regulation of the *transportation services* authority or the 28 department;
 - (f) Advertises, solicits, proffers bids or otherwise holds himself out to perform [transportation as a common or contract carrier] towing services performed without the prior consent of the owner of the vehicle or the person authorized by the owner to operate the vehicle in violation of any of the provisions of NRS [706.011] 706.151 to 706.861, inclusive [;], and section 11 of this act;
 - (g) Advertises as providing [:

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- (1) The services of a fully regulated carrier; or
- (2) Towing services,] towing services performed without the prior
 consent of the owner of the vehicle or the person authorized by the owner
 to operate the vehicle without including the number of his certificate of
 public convenience and necessity [or contract carrier's permit] in each
 advertisement:
- 42 (h) Knowingly offers, gives, solicits or accepts any rebate, concession or 43 discrimination in violation of the provisions of this chapter;

- (i) Knowingly, willfully and fraudulently seeks to evade or defeat the purposes of this chapter;
- (i) Operates or causes to be operated a vehicle which does not have the proper identifying device:
 - (k) Displays or causes or permits to be displayed a certificate, permit, license or identifying device, knowing it to be fictitious or to have been canceled, revoked, suspended or altered;
 - (l) Lends or knowingly permits the use of by one not entitled thereto any certificate, permit, license or identifying device issued to the person so lending or permitting the use thereof; [or]
- (m) Knowingly makes or causes to be made, either directly or indirectly, a false statement on an application, account or other 12 statement required by the transportation services authority; or 13

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- (n) Refuses or fails to surrender to the *transportation services* authority or department any certificate, permit, license or identifying device which has been suspended, canceled or revoked pursuant to the provisions of this chapter,
- is guilty of a *gross* misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be 18 punished by a fine of not less than \$100 [nor] and not more than [\$1,000,] \$2,000, or by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than [6 months,] 20 1 year, or by both fine and imprisonment.
 - A person convicted of a *gross* misdemeanor for a violation of the provisions of NRS 706.386 [or 706.421] shall be punished:
 - (a) For the first offense, by a fine of not less than \$500 [nor] and not more than [\$1,000;] \$2,000;
 - (b) For a second offense within 12 consecutive months and each subsequent offense, by a fine of \$1,000; \$2,000; or
 - (c) For any offense, by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than [6 months,] 1 year, or by both the prescribed fine and imprisonment.
 - Any person who operates or permits the operation of a vehicle in passenger service without a certificate of public convenience and necessity issued pursuant to NRS 706.391 is guilty of a gross misdemeanor. If a law enforcement officer witnesses a violation of this subsection, he may cause the vehicle to be towed immediately from the scene.] The conviction of a person pursuant to this section does not bar the transportation services authority from suspending or revoking any certificate, permit or license of the person convicted. The imposition of a fine or the suspension or revocation of any certificate, permit or license by the transportation services authority does not operate as a defense in any proceeding brought against the person by the transportation services authority pursuant to this chapter.
- 42 4. The fines provided in this section are mandatory and must not be reduced under circumstances by the 43 any

court.

- 5. Any bail allowed must not be less than the appropriate fine provided for by this section.
 - **Sec. 102.** NRS 706.761 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 4 706.761 1. Any [agent or person in charge of the books, accounts, 5 records, minutes or papers of any private, common or contract motor
- 6 carrier or broker of any of these services] person who holds a certificate
- who refuses or fails for a period of 30 days to furnish the *transportation*
- 8 services authority or department, as appropriate, with any report required
- 9 by [either] the transportation services authority or department, as
- appropriate, or who fails or refuses to permit any person authorized by the
- 11 transportation services authority or department, as appropriate, to inspect
- such books, accounts, records, minutes or papers on behalf of the
- 13 transportation services authority or department, as appropriate, or
- otherwise interferes with or impedes such an inspection, is liable to pay a
- penalty [in a sum] of not less than [\$300 nor more than \$500.] \$1,000. The
- penalty may be recovered in a civil action upon the complaint of the
- 17 *transportation services* authority or department, *as appropriate*, in any
- 18 court of competent jurisdiction.

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- 2. Each day's refusal or failure is a separate offense, and is subject to the penalty prescribed in this section.
- 3. If, after a hearing, the transportation services authority finds that a person to whom a certificate has been issued has refused or failed to produce a record or allow an inspection in violation of this section, the transportation services authority may, upon 5 days' written notice, suspend the certificate.
 - **Sec. 103.** NRS 706.766 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 27 706.766 1. It is unlawful for any [fully regulated carrier or] operator
- of a tow car to charge, demand, collect or receive a greater or less
- compensation for any service performed by it within this state or for any
- service in connection therewith than is specified in its fare, rates, joint
- 31 rates, charges or rules and regulations on file with the *transportation*
- 32 services authority, or to demand, collect or receive any fare, rate or charge
- 33 not specified. The rates, tolls and charges named therein are the lawful
- rates, tolls and charges until they are changed as provided in this chapter.
- 2. It is unlawful for any [fully regulated carrier or] operator of a tow
- 36 car to grant any rebate, concession or special privilege to any person which,
- directly or indirectly, has or may have the effect of changing the rates, tolls,
- 38 charges or payments.
- 39 3. Any violation of the provisions of this section subjects the violator to the penalty prescribed in NRS 706.761.
- Sec. 104. NRS 706.771 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 42 706.771 1. Any person or any agent or employee thereof, who
- 43 violates any provision of this chapter, any lawful regulation of the

- transportation services authority or any lawful tariff on file with the transportation services authority or who fails, neglects or refuses to obey any lawful order of the transportation services authority or any court order for whose violation a civil penalty is not otherwise prescribed is liable to a penalty of not more than \$10,000 for any violation. The penalty may be recovered in a civil action upon the complaint of the transportation services authority in any court of competent jurisdiction.
 - 2. If the *transportation services* authority does not bring an action to recover the penalty prescribed by subsection 1, the *transportation services* authority may impose an administrative fine of not more than \$10,000 for any violation of a provision of this chapter or any rule, regulation or order adopted or issued by the *transportation services* authority [or department] pursuant to the provisions of this chapter. A fine imposed by the *transportation services* authority may be recovered by the *transportation services* authority only after notice is given and a hearing is held pursuant to the provisions of chapter 233B of NRS.

- 3. All administrative fines imposed and collected by the *transportation services* authority pursuant to subsection 2 are payable to the state treasurer and must be credited to [a separate account to be used by the authority to enforce the provisions of this chapter.] *the state highway fund.*
- 4. A penalty or fine recovered pursuant to this section is not a cost of service for purposes of rate making.
 - **Sec. 105.** NRS 706.776 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.776 1. The owner or operator of a motor vehicle to which any provisions of [NRS 706.011 to 706.861, inclusive,] this chapter apply carrying passengers or property on any highway in the State of Nevada shall not require or permit any driver of the motor vehicle to drive it in any one period longer than the time permitted for that period by the order of the appropriate taxicab authority or the department.
- 2. In addition to other persons so required, the labor commissioner shall enforce the provisions of this section.
 - **Sec. 106.** NRS 706.779 is hereby amended to read as follows: 706.779 The *transportation services* authority and its inspectors may, upon halting a person for a violation of the provisions of NRS 706.386, [or 706.421,] move his vehicle or cause it to be moved to the nearest garage or other place of safekeeping until it is removed in a manner which complies with the provisions of this chapter.
- Sec. 107. NRS 706.781 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 706.781 In addition to all the other remedies provided by NRS
 [706.011] 706.151 to 706.861, inclusive, and section 11 of this act, for the
 prevention and punishment of any violation of the provisions thereof and of
 all orders of the transportation services authority or the department, the
- *transportation services* authority or the department may compel

- compliance with the provisions of NRS [706.011] 706.151 to 706.861, inclusive, *and section 11 of this act*, and with the orders of the *transportation services* authority or the department by proceedings in
- 4 mandamus, injunction or by other civil remedies.
- Sec. 108. NRS 706.881 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 6 706.881 [1.] *The provisions of* NRS [706.8811] 706.88185 to 706.885, inclusive, *and sections 12 to 21, inclusive, of this act*, apply to 8 [any county:
- 9 (a) Whose population is 400,000 or more; or
- 10 (b) For whom regulation by the taxicab authority is not required if its 11 board of county commissioners has enacted an ordinance approving the 12 inclusion of the county within the jurisdiction of the taxicab authority.
- 13 2. Upon receipt of a certified copy of such an ordinance from a county
 14 for whom regulation by the taxicab authority is not required, the taxicab
 15 authority shall exercise its regulatory authority pursuant to NRS 706.8811
 16 to 706.885, inclusive, within that county.
- Within any such county, the provisions of this chapter which confer
 regulatory authority over taxicab motor carriers upon the transportation
 services authority do not apply.] the business of transporting passengers
 by taxicabs and limousines.
- Sec. 109. NRS 706.88185 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.88185 1. When [the] *a* taxicab authority has reason to believe that any provision of NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, *and sections 12*
- to 21, inclusive, of this act, is being violated, the taxicab authority shall
- investigate the alleged violation. After a hearing, the taxicab authority may issue an order requiring that the certificate holder cease and desist from any
- 27 action that is in violation of NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive [...
- 28 -2. The, and sections 12 to 21, inclusive, of this act.

- 29 **2.** A taxicab authority shall enforce an order issued pursuant to subsection 1 in accordance with the provisions of NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive [-], and sections 12 to 21, inclusive, of this act.
 - **Sec. 110.** NRS 706.8819 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.8819 1. [The] A taxicab authority shall conduct hearings and make final decisions in the following matters:
- 35 (a) Applications to adjust, alter or change the rates, charges or fares for taxicab *or limousine* service;
- 37 (b) Applications for certificates of public convenience and necessity to 38 operate a taxicab *or limousine* service;
- (c) Applications requesting authority to transfer any existing interest in a certificate of public convenience and necessity or in a corporation that holds a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate a taxicab

42 *or limousine* business;

- (d) Applications to change the total number of allocated taxicabs in a county fto which NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, apply;] subject to the jurisdiction of the taxicab authority; and
- (e) Appeals from final decisions of [the] its administrator made pursuant to NRS 706.8822.
- An appeal from the final decision of the a taxicab authority must be made to the transportation services authority.
 - **Sec. 111.** NRS 706.882 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- The director of the department of business and industry 706.882 1. shall appoint a taxicab administrator for each of the taxicab authorities 10 from a list of three names submitted to him by *each of* the taxicab [authority. The] authorities respectively. Each administrator serves at the
- pleasure of the director [. The administrator] and is in the unclassified 13 service of the state. 14
- 2. [The] A taxicab authority may remove [the] its administrator for 15 good cause shown. 16
 - 3. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 284.143, [the] a taxicab administrator shall devote his entire time and attention to the business of his office and shall not pursue any other business or occupation or hold any other office of profit.
 - **Sec. 112.** NRS 706.8821 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 1. [The] An administrator of a taxicab authority is 706.8821 22
- responsible for the control and regulation of the taxicab *and limousine*
- industry in any county [to which NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive,
- apply subject to the jurisdiction of the taxicab authority and for the administration of NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive [-26
- 2. The , and sections 12 to 21, inclusive, of this act. 27
 - **An** administrator shall appoint:

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- (a) One accountant and such auditors as are necessary to enable the administrator to perform his official functions properly; and
- (b) Such other employees as are necessary to enable the administrator to 31 perform his official functions properly. 32
 - Sec. 113. NRS 706.8822 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 34 706.8822 [The] An administrator shall conduct administrative hearings and make final decisions, subject to appeal by any aggrieved party to the 35 *appropriate* taxicab authority, in the following matters: 36
- Any violation relating to the issuance of or transfer of license plates for motor carriers required by either the taxicab authority or the department 38 of motor vehicles and public safety;
 - Complaints against certificate holders;
- Complaints against taxicab *or limousine* drivers; 41

- 4. Applications for, or suspension or revocation of, drivers' permits which may be required by the administrator; and
 - 5. Imposition of monetary penalties.

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- **Sec. 114.** NRS 706.88235 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.88235 1. Whenever [the] a taxicab authority or [the] its
- 6 administrator is authorized or required by law to conduct a hearing, the
- 7 administrator may issue subpoenas requiring the attendance of witnesses
- before the *taxicab* authority or the administrator, respectively, together
- 9 with all books, memoranda, papers and other documents relative to the
- matters for which the hearing is called and take depositions within or
- without the state, as the circumstances of the case may require.
 - 2. The district court in and for the county in which any hearing is being conducted may compel the attendance of witnesses, the giving of testimony and the production of books and papers as required by any subpoena issued by the administrator.
 - 3. In case of the refusal of any witness to attend or testify or produce any papers required by the subpoena, the administrator may report to the district court in and for the county in which the hearing is pending by petition, setting forth:
 - (a) That due notice has been given of the time and place of attendance of the witness or the production of the books and papers;
 - (b) That the witness has been subpoenaed in the manner prescribed in this section; and
 - (c) That the witness has failed and refused to attend or produce the papers required by subpoena before the taxicab authority or the administrator in the hearing named in the subpoena, or has refused to answer questions propounded to him in the course of the hearing, and asking an order of the court compelling the witness to attend and testify or produce the books or papers before the *taxicab* authority or the administrator.
 - 4. The court, upon petition of the administrator shall enter an order directing the witness to appear before the court at a time and place to be fixed by the court in the order, the time to be not more than 10 days [from] after the date of the order, and then and there show cause why he has not attended or testified or produced the books or papers. A certified copy of the order must be served upon the witness. If it appears to the court that the subpoena was regularly issued by the administrator, the court may thereupon enter an order that the witness appear before the taxicab authority or the administrator at the time and place fixed in the order and testify or produce the required books or papers, and upon failure to obey
- the order the witness must be dealt with as for contempt of court.

Sec. 115. NRS 706.88237 is hereby amended to read as follows: 706.88237 [The] A taxicab authority may:

- 1. Determine the circumstances that require a temporary increase in the number of taxicabs *or limousines subject to its jurisdiction* allocated pursuant to NRS 706.8824; and
- 2. Allocate a temporary increase in the number of *such* taxicabs *or limousines* pursuant to NRS 706.88245 when the circumstances require the increase.
- Sec. 116. NRS 706.8824 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 706.8824 1. [In] Except as otherwise provided in section 15 of this
 act, in determining whether circumstances require the establishment of a
 system of allocations or a change in existing allocations [...] for taxicabs or
 limousines subject to the jurisdiction of a taxicab authority, the taxicab
 authority shall consider the interests, welfare, convenience, necessity and
 well-being of the customers of taxicabs [...] or limousines, as appropriate.
 - 2. Whenever circumstances require the establishment of a system of allocations, [the] a taxicab authority shall allocate the number of taxicabs or limousines, as appropriate, among the certificate holders in the county in a manner which reflects the number of taxicabs or limousines, as appropriate, operated by each certificate holder during the 5 years immediately preceding the date of establishment of the system of allocations by the taxicab authority in the county.
 - 3. Whenever circumstances require an increase in the existing allocations [, the] in addition to the automatic increases in allocations provided by section 15 of this act, a taxicab authority shall allocate the additional taxicabs or limousines, as appropriate, equally among all the certificate holders who apply from the area to be affected by the allocation.
 - 4. Unless a certificate holder puts the additionally allocated taxicabs *or limousines*, *as appropriate*, into service within 30 days after the effective date of the increased allocation, the increased allocation to that certificate holder is void.
 - 5. [The] A taxicab authority may attach to the exercise of the rights granted by the allocation any terms and conditions which in its judgment the public interest may require. The taxicab authority may limit:
 - (a) The geographical area from which service is offered or provided.
 - (b) The hours of service. Such a limitation must not reduce hours of service to less than 12 consecutive hours in a 24-hour period. If a limitation is placed on an allocation, taxicabs *or limousines*, *as appropriate*, must be marked in a distinctive manner that indicates the limitation.
- 41 6. [The] A taxicab authority shall review annually:
- 42 (a) The existing allocation of taxicabs ; and limousines; and

- (b) The rates, charges or fares of the certificate holders in its jurisdiction.
- 7. Notwithstanding any provision of this section or section 15 of this act to the contrary, if a system of allocations for limousines has been established, a taxicab authority shall allow each person to whom a certificate of public convenience and necessity has been issued by the taxicab authority for the operation of limousines to operate not more than one limousine pursuant to that certificate. Upon issuance of the certificate, the certificate holder becomes subject to all other provisions relating to allocations that are set forth in this section and section 15 of this act.
 - **Sec. 117.** NRS 706.88245 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 706.88245 1. In determining whether circumstances require a temporary increase in the number of taxicabs *or limousines subject to its jurisdiction* allocated pursuant to NRS 706.8824, [the] *a* taxicab authority shall consider the interests, welfare, convenience, necessity and well-being of the customers of taxicabs [.] *or limousines, as appropriate.*
 - 2. Whenever circumstances require a temporary increase in the number of taxicabs *or limousines subject to its jurisdiction* allocated pursuant to NRS 706.8824, [the] *a* taxicab authority shall allocate the temporary increase equally among the certificate holders *who are taxicab motor carriers or limousine motor carriers, as appropriate, subject to the jurisdiction of the taxicab authority* in the area to be affected by the allocation.
 - 3. [The] A taxicab authority shall determine:

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- (a) The number of additional taxicabs *or limousines* to be allocated;
- 27 (b) The hours of operation of the additional taxicabs [;] or limousines; 28 and
 - (c) The duration of the temporary allocation.
 - 4. [The] A taxicab authority may adopt regulations governing temporary increases in the allocation of taxicabs *or limousines subject to its jurisdiction* pursuant to this section.
- Sec. 118. NRS 706.8825 is hereby amended to read as follows: 706.8825 1. [All] There are hereby created as special revenue funds:
- 36 (a) The taxicab authority regulatory fund for the taxicab authority for southern Nevada; and
- 38 (b) The taxicab authority regulatory fund for the taxicab authority for northern Nevada.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in this section, all fees collected pursuant to NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, and sections 12 to 21, inclusive, of this act, must be deposited with the state treasurer to the credit
- 3 of the *appropriate* taxicab authority *regulatory* fund . [, which is hereby

created as a special revenue fund.] The transactions for each county *that is* subject to [those sections] *the jurisdiction of a taxicab authority* must be accounted for separately within the *appropriate* fund.

- [2.] 3. The interest and income earned on the money in [the] a fund, after deducting any applicable charges, must be credited to the fund.
- [3.] 4. Money collected by a taxicab authority for a fine or penalty that is imposed on a taxicab motor carrier or limousine motor carrier by the taxicab authority must be deposited into the state general fund.
- 5. The revenues received pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 706.8826 are hereby appropriated to defray the cost of regulating taxicabs *and limousines* in the county or the city, respectively, making the deposit under that subsection.

- [4.] 6. The fees received pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 706.8826, NRS 706.8827, 706.8841 and 706.8848 to 706.885, inclusive, are hereby appropriated to defray the cost of regulating taxicabs *and limousines* in the county in which the certificate holder operates a taxicab *or limousine* business.
- [5.] 7. Any balance remaining in [the] a taxicab authority regulatory fund does not revert to the state general fund. The administrator of a taxicab authority may transfer to the aging services division of the department of human resources any balance over \$200,000 and any interest earned on the [fund,] taxicab authority regulatory fund for that taxicab authority, within the limits of legislative authorization for each fiscal year, to subsidize transportation for the elderly and the permanently handicapped in taxicabs. The money transferred to the aging services division must be administered in accordance with regulations adopted by the administrator of the aging services division pursuant to NRS 427A.070.
- [6.] 8. The administrator of a taxicab authority may establish an account for petty cash not to exceed \$1,000 for the support of undercover investigation and, if the account is created, the administrator shall reimburse the account from the appropriate taxicab authority regulatory fund in the same manner as other claims against the state are paid.
- **Sec. 119.** NRS 706.8826 is hereby amended to read as follows: 706.8826 1. The board of county commissioners of any county in which there is in effect an order for the allocation of taxicabs *or limousines* from a taxicab authority, and the governing body of each city within any such county, shall deposit with the state treasurer to the credit of the appropriate taxicab authority regulatory fund all [of] the tax revenue which is received from the taxicab and limousine business operating in the county and city, respectively.
- 2. For the purpose of calculating the amount due to the state under subsection 1, the tax revenue of a county does not include any amount which represents a payment for the use of county facilities or property.

- 3. [Any] A certificate holder who is subject to [an order of allocation] by the a taxicab authority shall pay to the taxicab authority \$100 per year for each taxicab [that the taxicab authority has allocated to] and \$500 per year for each limousine which the certificate holder operates pursuant to his certificate of public convenience and necessity and, if the certificate holder is a taxicab motor carrier, a fee set by the taxicab authority that must not exceed [15] 20 cents per trip for each compensable trip of each of those taxicabs, which may be added to the meter charge. The money so received by the taxicab authority must be paid to the state treasurer for deposit in the state treasury to the credit of the *appropriate* 10 taxicab authority *regulatory* fund. 11
- **Sec. 120.** NRS 706.8827 is hereby amended to read as follows: 12 13 706.8827 1. A person shall not engage in the taxicab *or limousine* 14 business unless he:
- (a) Holds a certificate of public convenience and necessity from the 15 previously exiting public service commission of Nevada issued before 16 July 1, 1981, which has not been transferred, revoked or suspended by [the] 17 *a* taxicab authority; [or] 18
 - (b) Holds a certificate of public necessity of public convenience and necessity from the transportation services authority issued before July 1, 1999, which has not been transferred, revoked or suspended by a taxicab authority; or
- (c) Currently holds a certificate of public convenience and necessity 23 from [the] a taxicab authority as provided in this section.

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- Upon the filing of an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity, the taxicab authority with which the application was filed shall fix a time and place for a hearing thereon. The taxicab authority shall issue the certificate if it finds that:
- (a) The applicant is fit, willing and able to perform the services of a taxicab motor carrier : or a limousine motor carrier;
- (b) The proposed operation will be consistent with the legislative policies set forth in NRS 706.151;
- (c) The granting of the certificate will not unreasonably and adversely affect other carriers operating in the territory for which the certificate is sought;
- (d) The holders of existing certificates will not meet the needs of the 36 territory for which the certificate is sought if the certificate is not granted; 38 and
 - (e) The proposed service will benefit the public and the taxicab *or limousine* business, as appropriate, in the territory to be served.
- The applicant for a certificate has the burden of proving to the 41 taxicab authority that the proposed operation will meet the requirements of subsection 2. The taxicab authority shall not find that the potential creation

- of competition in a territory which may be caused by the granting of a certificate, by itself, will unreasonably and adversely affect other carriers operating in the territory for the purposes of paragraph (c) of subsection 2.
- 4. The applicant must submit an application fee of \$200, which must not be refunded, with his application. The applicant must also pay those amounts which are billed to him by the *taxicab* authority for reasonable costs incurred by it in conducting an investigation or hearing regarding the applicant.
- 5. [The] A taxicab authority may attach to the exercise of the rights granted by the certificate any terms and conditions which in its judgment the public interest may require.

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- 6. [The] A taxicab authority may dispense with the hearing on the application if, upon the expiration of the time fixed in the notice of the hearing, no protest against the granting of the certificate has been filed by or on behalf of any person.
- 7. Any person who has been denied a certificate of public convenience and necessity after a hearing may not file a similar application with [the] a taxicab authority covering the same type of service and over the same route or routes or in the same territory for which the certificate of public convenience and necessity was denied except after the expiration of 180 days [from] after the date the certificate was denied.
- **Sec. 121.** NRS 706.8829 is hereby amended to read as follows: 706.8829 1. A certificate holder shall maintain a uniform system of
- 706.8829 1. A certificate holder shall maintain a uniform system of accounts in which all business transacted by the certificate holder is recorded. The accounts must be:
 - (a) Kept in a form prescribed by the taxicab authority [;] which has jurisdiction over the certificate holder;
 - (b) Before May 15 of each year, submitted to the taxicab authority in an annual report in the form and detail prescribed by the taxicab authority;
 - (c) Retained for a period of 3 years after their receipt back from the taxicab authority; and
- 32 (d) Supplemented with such additional information as the taxicab 33 authority may require.
 - 2. [The] A taxicab authority may examine the books, accounts, records, minutes and papers of a certificate holder at any reasonable time to determine their correctness and whether they are maintained in accordance with the regulations adopted by the taxicab authority.
 - 3. If a certificate holder fails to comply with any provision of this section in a timely manner, the administrator [,] of the taxicab authority which has jurisdiction over the certificate holder, after hearing, may impose a fine of not more than \$1,000, commence proceedings to suspend or revoke the certificate of public convenience and necessity of the certificate holder, or both impose a fine and commence such processing the processing the commence such processing the commence of the commence and processing the commence such processing the commence of the commence and processing the commence of the certificate and processing the commence of the commence of the certificate and processing the commence of the certificate and processing the commence of the certificate and processing the certificate and certificate and
- 3 certificate holder, or both impose a fine and commence such proceedings.

- **Sec. 122.** NRS 706.883 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.883 1. A certificate holder shall maintain at his principal place of 2 business: 3
- (a) A record of the make and serial number of each taxicab [;] and 4 limousine;
 - (b) A maintenance record for each taxicab : and limousine; and
 - (c) A copy of the medical certificates of each of his drivers.
- The records of a certificate holder [shall] *must* be open for inspection by the administrator [or] of the taxicab authority which has jurisdiction over the certificate holder at any reasonable time.
 - **Sec. 123.** NRS 706.8833 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.8833 1. The color scheme, insigne and design of the cruising 12 lights of each taxicab must conform to those approved for the certificate 13 holder pursuant to regulations of the *taxicab* authority —
 - 2. The which has jurisdiction over the certificate holder.
 - A taxicab authority shall approve or disapprove the color scheme, insigne and design of the cruising lights of the taxicabs of a certificate holder in any county [,] subject to its jurisdiction, and shall ensure that the color scheme and insigne of one certificate holder are readily distinguishable from the color schemes and insignia of other certificate holders operating in the same county.
- Sec. 124. NRS 706.8834 is hereby amended to read as follows: 22
- 1. [A] Except as otherwise provided in this section, a 23 certificate holder shall not permit a vehicle to be used as a taxicab if it has been in operation as a taxicab for more than 4 model years or 52 months, whichever period is longer. 26
 - 2. [Any] Except as otherwise provided in this section, any vehicle which a certificate holder acquires for use as a taxicab must:
 - (a) Be new; or

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- (b) Register not more than 30,000 miles on the odometer.
- A taxicab authority may, upon good cause shown, exempt any city, 31 town or other area specifically identified by the taxicab authority which 32 is located within the county subject to the jurisdiction of the taxicab 34 authority from any provision of this section.
 - **Sec. 125.** NRS 706.8836 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 35 36 706.8836 1. A certificate holder shall equip each of his taxicabs with a taximeter and shall make provisions when installing the taximeter to 37 allow sealing by the administrator \square of the taxicab authority which has jurisdiction over the certificate holder. 39
- The administrator of a taxicab authority shall approve the types of 40 taximeters which may be used on a taxicab : subject to the jurisdiction of the taxicab authority. All such taximeters must conform to a 2-percent
- plus or minus tolerance on the fare recording, must be equipped with a

- signal device plainly visible from outside of the taxicab, must be equipped
- 2 with a device which records fares and is plainly visible to the passenger and
- 3 must register upon plainly visible counters the following items:
- (a) Total miles;
- 5 (b) Paid miles;

- (c) Number of units;
- (d) Number of trips; and
- (e) Number of extra passengers or extra charges.
- 9 3. The administrator of a taxicab authority shall inspect each
- taximeter before its use in a taxicab subject to the jurisdiction of the
- *taxicab authority*, and shall, if the taximeter conforms to the standards specified in subsection 2, seal the taximeter.
- 4. The administrator *of a taxicab authority* may reinspect [the] *such a* taximeter at any reasonable time.
- Sec. 126. NRS 706.8837 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.8837 A certificate holder shall not permit a taxicab *or limousine*
- to be operated in passenger service unless it meets all **[of]** the following standards:
- 1. The steering mechanism is in good mechanical working order.
- 20 2. The vehicle does not have any apparent loose knuckles, bolts or gear trains.
- 22 3. The door hinges and latches are in good mechanical working order 23 and all doors operate easily and close securely.
 - 4. Interior or exterior advertising does not obscure the driver's view in any direction.
- 5. The windows are clear and free from cracks or chips in excess of 3 inches in length and are composed of approved, nonshatterable safety glass.
- 28 6. The brakes are in good mechanical working order and when pressed 29 are not less than 1 3/4 inches from the floorboard.
- 7. The exhaust system, gaskets, tail pipes and mufflers are in good condition and exhaust fumes do not penetrate the interior of the vehicle.
- 8. The vehicle is equipped with four adequate and safe tires. Recapped tires may be used. Regrooved tires may not be used.
- 9. The speedometer is properly installed, maintained in good working order and exposed to view.
- 10. The interior of the vehicle is clean, free from torn upholstery and from damaged or broken seats.
- The headlights, taillights, stoplights and turn signals are in good mechanical working order.
- 12. The horn and two windshield wipers are in good mechanical working order.
- 42 13. [The] If the vehicle is a taxicab, the taximeter is working properly,
- 43 is not disconnected and has its covers and gears intact.

- 14. An air pollution control system is functioning in accordance with federal, state and local laws which were applicable to the type of vehicle at the time of its manufacture.
- **Sec. 127.** NRS 706.8838 is hereby amended to read as follows: 706.8838 A certificate holder shall not permit a taxicab *or limousine* to be operated in passenger service for a period of more than 24 hours unless it meets all **fof** the following standards:
- 1. The vehicle is structurally sound and operates with a minimum of noise and vibration.

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- 2. The vehicle does not have cracked, broken or badly dented fenders and is painted so as to provide reasonable protection against structural deterioration.
- 3. [The] If the vehicle is a taxicab, the vehicle does not have shades or curtains which can be manipulated to shield the occupants or driver from exterior observation or to obstruct vision through the rear view windows.
 - 4. The vehicle is washed once a week, the interior is swept, dusted and vacuumed once a day and the vehicle is in a clean and sanitary condition.
- 5. The floor mat is made of rubber or a similar nonabsorbent, washable material, is easily removable and is not torn.
 - **Sec. 128.** NRS 706.8839 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.8839 1. The administrator *of a taxicab authority* may inspect a taxicab *or limousine subject to the jurisdiction of the taxicab authority* at any reasonable time.
 - 2. If the administrator finds that a taxicab *or limousine* is in a condition which violates NRS 706.8837, he shall remove the vehicle from service, [shall] place an out-of-service sticker on the windshield and [shall] notify the certificate holder of the defect. The vehicle [shall] *must* remain out of service until the defect has been remedied and the administrator upon reinspection has approved the vehicle and removed the out-of-service sticker.
 - 3. If the administrator finds that a taxicab is in a condition which violates NRS 706.8838, he shall notify the certificate holder of the improper condition and, after a reasonable time, shall reinspect the vehicle. If upon reinspection the violation has not been corrected, the vehicle [shall] must be removed from service until it is reinspected and approved, as provided in subsection 2.
- 37 **Sec. 129.** NRS 706.88395 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.88395 1. A vehicle used as a taxicab, limousine or other
- 39 passenger vehicle in passenger service must be impounded by the
- 40 administrator of a taxicab authority if a certificate of public convenience
- and necessity has not been issued authorizing its operation [.] by the
- 42 taxicab authority. A hearing must be held by the administrator [no] not
- 43 later than the conclusion of the second normal business day after

- impoundment, weekends and holidays excluded. As soon as practicable after impoundment, the administrator shall notify the registered owner of the vehicle:
- (a) That the registered owner of the vehicle must post a bond in the amount of \$20,000 to ensure his presence at all proceedings held pursuant to this section;
 - (b) Of the time set for the hearing; and

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- (c) Of his right to be represented by counsel during all phases of the proceedings.
- 2. The administrator shall hold the vehicle until the registered owner of 10 the vehicle appears and: 11
 - (a) Proves that he is the registered owner of the vehicle;
 - (b) Proves that he holds a valid certificate of public convenience and necessity;
 - (c) Proves that the vehicle meets all required standards of the *taxicab* authority: and
- (d) Posts a bond in the amount of \$20,000 with the administrator. The administrator shall return the vehicle to its registered owner when the owner meets the requirements of this subsection and pays all costs of impoundment. 20
 - If the registered owner is unable to meet the requirements of paragraph (b) or (c) of subsection 2, the administrator may assess an administrative fine against the registered owner for each such violation in the amount of \$5,000. The maximum amount of the administrative fine that may be assessed against a registered owner for a single impoundment of his vehicle pursuant to this section is \$10,000. The administrator shall return the vehicle after any administrative fine imposed pursuant to this subsection and all costs of impoundment have been paid.
 - **Sec. 130.** NRS 706.8841 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - The administrator of a taxicab authority shall issue a 706.8841 driver's permit to qualified persons who wish to be employed by certificate holders as [taxicab drivers.] drivers of taxicabs or limousines based in any county that is subject to the jurisdiction of the taxicab authority. Before issuing a driver's permit, the administrator shall:
 - (a) Require the applicant to submit a set of his fingerprints, which must be forwarded to the Federal Bureau of Investigation to ascertain whether the applicant has a criminal record and the nature of any such record, and shall further investigate the applicant's background; and
 - (b) Require proof that the applicant:
 - (1) Has been a resident of the state for 30 days before his application for a permit;
 - (2) Can read and orally communicate in the English language;

- (3) Has a valid license issued under NRS 483.325 which authorizes him to drive a taxicab *or limousine* in this state.
- 2. The administrator may refuse to issue a driver's permit if the applicant has been convicted of:

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- (a) A felony, other than a felony for a sexual offense, in the State of Nevada or any other state, territory or nation within 5 years before the date of the application, or a felony involving any sexual offense at any time; or
- (b) Driving under the influence of intoxicating beverages, dangerous drugs or controlled substances within 3 years before the date of the application.
- 3. The administrator may refuse to issue a driver's permit if the administrator, after the background investigation of the applicant, determines that the applicant is morally unfit or if the issuance of the driver's permit would be detrimental to public health, welfare or safety.
- 4. A taxicab *or limousine* driver shall pay to the administrator, in advance, \$20 for an original driver's permit and [\$5] \$15 for a renewal.
 - **Sec. 131.** NRS 706.8843 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.8843 1. A certificate holder shall not employ a driver unless the driver has obtained and has on his person:
 - (a) A valid driver's license for the State of Nevada obtained under the provisions of NRS 483.010 to 483.630, inclusive;
- (b) A copy of a physician's certificate obtained pursuant to NRS 706.8842; and
 - (c) A driver's permit issued by the administrator pursuant to rules and regulations of the *appropriate* taxicab authority.
 - 2. A certificate holder shall, at the time he employs a driver, provide the driver with a complete copy of the rules and regulations described in NRS 706.8844 to 706.8849, inclusive, and such other rules and regulations as may be adopted by the taxicab authority [,] which has jurisdiction over the certificate holder, and require the driver to sign a statement that he has received a copy of the regulations and has read and familiarized himself with the contents thereof.
 - **Sec. 132.** NRS 706.8844 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.8844 1. A certificate holder shall require his drivers to keep a daily trip sheet in a form to be prescribed by the taxicab authority which has jurisdiction over the certificate holder.
- 2. At the beginning of each period of duty the driver shall record on his trip sheet:

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- (a) His name and the number of his taxicab;
- (b) The time at which he began his period of duty by means of a time clock provided by the certificate holder;
- 42 (c) The meter readings for total miles, paid miles, trips, units, extra 43 passengers and extra charges;

- (d) The odometer reading of the taxicab.
- 2 3. During his period of duty the driver shall record on his trip sheet:
 - (a) The time, place of origin and destination of each trip; and
 - (b) The number of passengers and amount of fare for each trip.
- 4. At the end of each period of duty the driver shall record on his trip sheet:
- (a) The time at which he ended his period of duty by means of a time clock provided by the certificate holder;
- 9 (b) The meter readings for total miles, paid miles, trips, units and extra passengers; and
 - (c) The odometer reading of the taxicab.
 - 5. A certificate holder shall furnish a trip sheet form for each taxicab operated by a driver during his period of duty and shall require his drivers to return their completed trip sheets at the end of each period of duty.
 - 6. A certificate holder shall retain all trip sheets of all drivers in a safe place for a period of 3 years immediately succeeding December 31 of the year to which they respectively pertain and shall make such manifests available for inspection by the administrator upon reasonable demand.
- 7. Any driver who maintains a trip sheet in a form less complete than that required by subsection 1 is guilty of a misdemeanor.
- Sec. 133. NRS 706.8847 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 706.8847 1. A driver *of a taxicab* shall not refuse or neglect to transport any orderly person to that person's destination if:
 - (a) That person requests the driver to transport him; and
 - (b) The requested destination is within the area allocated to the certificate holder who employs the driver.
- 27 2. Subsection 1 does not apply if the driver can show [beyond a reasonable doubt] to the satisfaction of the taxicab authority which has jurisdiction over the driver that:
 - (a) He has good reason to fear for his personal safety;
 - (b) The taxicab has been previously engaged by another person; or
- 32 (c) He is forbidden by law or regulation to carry the person requesting 33 transportation.
 - **Sec. 134.** NRS 706.8848 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 35 706.8848 1. If a driver violates any provision of NRS 706.8844 to
- 706.8847, inclusive, and sections 12 to 21, inclusive, of this act, the
- 37 administrator of the taxicab authority which has jurisdiction over the
- 38 *certificate holder which employs the driver* may impose the following
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- 40 (a) First offense: Warning notice or a fine of not more than \$100, or both warning and fine.
- 42 (b) Second offense: 1 to 3 days' suspension of a driver's permit or a fine
- 43 of not more than \$200, or both suspension and fine.

- (c) Third offense: 4 to 6 days' suspension of a driver's permit or a fine of not more than \$300, or both suspension and fine.
- (d) Fourth offense: 10 days' suspension of a driver's permit or a fine of not more than \$500, or both suspension and fine.
- (e) Fifth offense: Revocation of a driver's permit or a fine of not more than \$500, or both revocation and fine.
 - 2. Only violations occurring in the 12 months immediately preceding the most current violation shall be considered for the purposes of subsection 1. The administrator shall inspect the driver's record for that period to compute the number of offenses committed.
- 3. [The] An administrator shall conduct a hearing [prior to] before suspension or revocation of a driver's permit or imposing a fine under this section or NRS 706.8849.
- **Sec. 135.** NRS 706.885 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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- 706.885 1. Any person who knowingly makes or causes to be made, either directly or indirectly, a false statement on an application, account or other statement required by [the] a taxicab authority or the administrator of the taxicab authority or who violates any of the provisions of NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, and sections 12 to 21, inclusive, of this act, is guilty of a misdemeanor.
- 2. [The] A taxicab authority or *its* administrator may at any time, for good cause shown and upon at least 5 days' notice to the grantee of any certificate or driver's permit [.] by the taxicab authority or administrator, and after a hearing unless waived by the grantee, penalize the grantee of a certificate to a maximum amount of \$15,000 or penalize the grantee of a driver's permit to a maximum amount of \$500 or suspend or revoke the certificate or driver's permit granted by it or him, respectively, for:
- (a) Any violation of any provision of NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, *and sections 12 to 21, inclusive, of this act,* or any regulation of the taxicab authority or administrator.
- (b) Knowingly permitting or requiring any employee to violate any provision of NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, *and sections 12 to 21*, *inclusive, of this act*, or any regulation of the taxicab authority or administrator.
- If a penalty is imposed on the grantee of a certificate pursuant to this section, the taxicab authority or *its* administrator may require the grantee to pay the costs of the proceeding, including investigative costs and attorney's fees.
- 39 3. When a driver or certificate holder fails to appear at the time and
 40 place stated in the notice for the hearing, the administrator shall enter a
 41 finding of default. Upon a finding of default, the administrator may suspend
 42 or revoke the license, permit or certificate of the person who failed to
 43 appear and impose the penalties provided in this chapter. For good cause

shown, the administrator may set aside a finding of default and proceed with the hearing.

- 4. Any person who operates or permits a taxicab *or limousine* to be operated in passenger service without a certificate of public convenience and necessity issued pursuant to NRS 706.8827, is guilty of a gross misdemeanor. If a law enforcement officer witnesses a violation of this subsection, he may cause the vehicle to be towed immediately from the scene.
- 5. The conviction of a person pursuant to subsection 1 does not bar the taxicab authority or *its* administrator from suspending or revoking any certificate, permit or license of the person convicted. The imposition of a fine or suspension or revocation of any certificate, permit or license by the taxicab authority or *its* administrator does not operate as a defense in any proceeding brought under subsection 1.
- Sec. 136. NRS 232.510 is hereby amended to read as follows: 232.510 1. The department of business and industry is hereby

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- 2. The department consists of a director and the following:
- 19 (a) Consumer affairs division.
- 20 (b) Division of financial institutions.
- 21 (c) Housing division.
- 22 (d) Manufactured housing division.
- 23 (e) Real estate division.
- 24 (f) Division of unclaimed property.
- 25 (g) Division of agriculture.
- 26 (h) Division of minerals.
- 27 (i) Division of insurance.
- 28 (j) Division of industrial relations.
- 29 (k) Office of labor commissioner.
- 30 (l) Taxicab authority [...] for southern Nevada and taxicab authority for northern Nevada.
- 32 (m) Nevada athletic commission.
- 33 (n) Office of the Nevada attorney for injured workers.
- 34 (o) State predatory animal and rodent committee.
 - (p) Transportation services authority.
- 36 (q) Any other office, commission, board, agency or entity created or
- 37 placed within the department pursuant to a specific statute, the budget
- approved by the legislature or an executive order, or an entity whose
- 39 budget or activities have been placed within the control of the department
- 40 by a specific statute.

Sec. 137. NRS 232.520 is hereby amended to read as follows: 232.520 The director:

- Shall appoint a chief or executive director, or both of them, of each 3 of the divisions, offices, commissions, boards, agencies or other entities of the department, unless the authority to appoint such a chief or executive director, or both of them, is expressly vested in another person, board or commission by a specific statute. In making the appointments, the director may obtain lists of qualified persons from professional organizations, associations or other groups recognized by the department, if any. The chief of the consumer affairs division is the commissioner of consumer 10 affairs, the chief of the division of financial institutions is the commissioner 11 of financial institutions, the chief of the housing division is the administrator of the housing division, the chief of the manufactured housing 13 division is the administrator of the manufactured housing division, the chief of the real estate division is the real estate administrator, the chief of the 15 division of unclaimed property is the administrator of unclaimed property, the chief of the division of agriculture is the administrator of the division of 17 agriculture, the chief of the division of minerals is the administrator of the 18 division of minerals, the chief of the division of insurance is the insurance commissioner, the chief of the division of industrial relations is the 20 administrator of the division of industrial relations, the chief of the office of 21 labor commissioner is the labor commissioner, the chief of the taxicab 22 authority for southern Nevada is the taxicab administrator, the chief of the taxicab authority for northern Nevada is the taxicab administrator, the chief of the transportation services authority is the [chairman] 25 *commissioner* of the authority and the chief of any other entity of the 26 department has the title specified by the director, unless a different title is 27 specified by a specific statute. 28
 - 2. Is responsible for the administration of all provisions of law relating to the jurisdiction, duties and functions of all divisions and other entities within the department. The director may, if he deems it necessary to carry out his administrative responsibilities, be considered as a member of the staff of any division or other entity of the department for the purpose of budget administration or for carrying out any duty or exercising any power necessary to fulfill the responsibilities of the director pursuant to this subsection. Nothing contained in this subsection may be construed as allowing the director to preempt any authority or jurisdiction granted by statute to any division or other entity within the department or as allowing the director to act or take on a function that would be in contravention of a rule of court or a statute.
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42 (a) Establish uniform policies for the department, consistent with the 43 policies and statutory responsibilities and duties of the divisions and other

- entities within the department, relating to matters concerning budgeting, accounting, planning, program development, personnel, information services, dispute resolution, travel, workplace safety, the acceptance of gifts or donations, the management of records and any other subject for which a uniform departmental policy is necessary to ensure the efficient operation of the department.
 - (b) Provide coordination among the divisions and other entities within the department, in a manner which does not encroach upon their statutory powers and duties, as they adopt and enforce regulations, execute agreements, purchase goods, services or equipment, prepare legislative requests and lease or utilize office space.

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- (c) Define the responsibilities of any person designated to carry out the duties of the director relating to financing, industrial development or business support services.
- May, within the limits of the financial resources made available to him, promote, participate in the operation of, and create or cause to be created, any nonprofit corporation, pursuant to chapter 82 of NRS, which he determines is necessary or convenient for the exercise of the powers and duties of the department. The purposes, powers and operation of the corporation must be consistent with the purposes, powers and duties of the department.
- For any bonds which he is otherwise authorized to issue, may issue bonds the interest on which is not exempt from federal income tax or excluded from gross revenue for the purposes of federal income tax.
- May, except as otherwise provided by specific statute, adopt by regulation a schedule of fees and deposits to be charged in connection with 26 the programs administered by him pursuant to chapters 348A and 349 of NRS. Except as so provided, the amount of any such fee or deposit must 28 not exceed 2 percent of the principal amount of the financing.
- May designate any person within the department to perform any of the duties or responsibilities, or exercise any of the authority, of the director on his behalf. 32
- May negotiate and execute agreements with public or private entities 33 34 which are necessary to the exercise of the powers and duties of the director or the department. 35
 - May establish a trust account in the state treasury for the purpose of depositing and accounting for money that is held in escrow or is on deposit with the department for the payment of any direct expenses incurred by the director in connection with any bond programs administered by the director. The interest and income earned on money in the trust account, less any amount deducted to pay for applicable charges, must be credited to the trust account. Any balance remaining in the account at the end of a fiscal

be: year may

- (a) Carried forward to the next fiscal year for use in covering the expense for which it was originally received; or
- (b) Returned to any person entitled thereto in accordance with agreements or regulations of the director pertaining to such bond programs.
 - **Sec. 138.** NRS 268.097 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 268.097 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 2 and 3, *and sections 20 and 21 of this act*, notwithstanding the provisions of any local, special or general law, after July 1, 1963, the governing body of any incorporated city in this state, whether incorporated by general or special act, or otherwise, may not supervise or regulate any taxicab motor carrier as defined in NRS 706.126 which is under the supervision and regulation of [the transportation services authority pursuant to law.] *a taxicab authority*.
- 2. The governing body of any incorporated city in this state, whether incorporated by general or special act, or otherwise, may fix, impose and collect a license tax on and from a taxicab motor carrier for revenue purposes only.
- 3. The governing body of any incorporated city in any county in which the provisions of NRS [706.8811] 706.88185 to 706.885, inclusive, and sections 12 to 21, inclusive, of this act do not apply, whether incorporated by general or special act, or otherwise, may regulate by ordinance the qualifications required of employees or lessees of a taxicab motor carrier in a manner consistent with the regulations adopted by the transportation services authority.
- **Sec. 139.** NRS 289.320 is hereby amended to read as follows: 289.320 An employee of the transportation services authority whom it designates as an inspector or as manager of transportation is a peace officer and has police power for the enforcement of the provisions of:
- 1. [Chapters 706 and 712] Chapter 706 of NRS and all regulations of the transportation services authority or the department of motor vehicles and public safety pertaining thereto; and
- 2. Chapter 482 of NRS and NRS 483.230, 483.350 and 483.530 to 483.620, inclusive, for the purposes of carrying out the provisions of chapter 706 of NRS.
 - **Sec. 140.** NRS 362.120 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 362.120 1. The department shall, from the statement and from all obtainable data, evidence and reports, compute in dollars and cents the gross yield and net proceeds of the period covered by the statement.
- 38 2. The gross yield must include the value of any mineral extracted 39 which was:
- 40 (a) Sold;

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- (b) Exchanged for any thing or service;
- 42 (c) Removed from the state in a form ready for use or sale; or

- (d) Used in a manufacturing process or in providing a service, during the period covered by the statement.
- 3. The net proceeds are ascertained and determined by subtracting from the gross yield the following deductions for costs incurred during that period, and none other:
 - (a) The actual cost of extracting the mineral.

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- (b) The actual cost of transporting the mineral to the place or places of reduction, refining and sale.
 - (c) The actual cost of reduction, refining and sale.
- (d) The actual cost of marketing and delivering the mineral and the conversion of the mineral into money.
 - (e) The actual cost of maintenance and repairs of:
- (1) All machinery, equipment, apparatus and facilities used in the mine.
- (2) All milling, refining, smelting and reduction works, plants and facilities.
- (3) All facilities and equipment for transportation except those that are under the jurisdiction of the public utilities commission of Nevada . [or the transportation services authority.]
- (f) The actual cost of fire insurance on the machinery, equipment, apparatus, works, plants and facilities [mentioned] set forth in paragraph (e).
- (g) Depreciation of the original capitalized cost of the machinery, equipment, apparatus, works, plants and facilities [mentioned] set forth in paragraph (e). The annual depreciation charge consists of amortization of the original cost in a manner prescribed by regulation of the Nevada tax commission. The probable life of the property represented by the original cost must be considered in computing the depreciation charge.
- (h) All money expended for premiums for industrial insurance, and the actual cost of hospital and medical attention and accident benefits and group insurance for all employees.
- (i) All money paid as contributions or payments under the unemployment compensation law of the State of Nevada, as contained in chapter 612 of NRS, all money paid as contributions under the Social Security Act of the Federal Government, and all money paid to either the State of Nevada or the Federal Government under any amendment to either or both of the statutes [mentioned] set forth in this paragraph.
- (j) The actual cost of developmental work in or about the mine or upon a group of mines when operated as a unit.
- 40 (k) All money paid as royalties by a lessee or sublessee of a mine or 41 well, or by both, in determining the net proceeds of the lessee or sublessee, 42 or

both.

- Royalties deducted by a lessee or sublessee constitute part of the net proceeds of the minerals extracted, upon which a tax must be levied against the person to whom the royalty has been paid.
- 5. Every person acquiring property in the State of Nevada to engage in the extraction of minerals and who incurs any of the expenses [mentioned] set forth in subsection 3 shall report those expenses and the recipient of any royalty to the department on forms provided by the department.
- The several deductions [mentioned] set forth in subsection 3 do not include any expenditures for salaries, or any portion of salaries, of any person not actually engaged in:
 - (a) The working of the mine;

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- (b) The operating of the mill, smelter or reduction works;
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 - (d) Superintending the management of any of those operations; or
- 15 (e) The State of Nevada, in office, clerical or engineering work necessary or proper in connection with any of those operations. 16
 - **Sec. 141.** NRS 373.117 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 373.117 1. A regional transportation commission may establish or 18 operate a public transit system consisting of regular routes and fixed 19 schedules to serve the public. 20
 - A regional transportation commission may lease vehicles to or from or enter into other contracts with a private operator for the provision of such a system.
 - In a county whose population is less than 400,000, such a system may also provide service which includes:
 - (a) Minor deviations from regular routes and fixed schedules on a recurring basis to serve the public transportation needs of passengers. The deviations must not exceed one-half mile from the regular routes.
- (b) The transporting of persons upon request without regard to regular routes or fixed schedules, if the service is provided by a common motor 30 carrier. [which has a certificate of public convenience and necessity issued by the transportation services authority pursuant to NRS 706.386 to 32 706.411, inclusive, and the service is subject to the rules and regulations 33 34 adopted by the transportation services authority for a fully regulated carrier.] 35
- Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 332 of NRS or NRS 36 625.530, a regional transportation commission may utilize a turnkey 37 38 procurement process to select a person to design, build, operate and maintain, or any combination thereof, a fixed guideway system, including, 39 without limitation, any minimum operable segment thereof. The commission shall determine whether to utilize turnkey procurement for a 41
- fixed guideway project before the completion of the preliminary
- engineering phase of the project. In making that determination, the

- commission shall evaluate whether turnkey procurement is the most cost effective method of constructing the project on schedule and in satisfaction of its transportation objectives.
- 5. Notwithstanding the provisions of chapter 332 of NRS, a regional transportation commission may utilize a competitive negotiation procurement process to procure rolling stock for a fixed guideway project. The award of a contract under such a process must be made to the person whose proposal is determined to be the most advantageous to the commission, based on price and other factors specified in the procurement documents.
 - 6. If a commission develops a fixed guideway project, the department of transportation is hereby designated to serve as the oversight agency to ensure compliance with the federal safety regulations for rail fixed guideway systems set forth in 49 C.F.R. Part 659.
 - 7. As used in this section:

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- (a) ["Fully regulated carrier" means a common carrier or contract carrier of passengers or household goods who is required to obtain from the transportation services authority a certificate of public convenience and necessity or a contract carrier's permit and whose rates, routes and services are subject to regulation by the transportation services authority.
- (b)] "Minimum operable segment" means the shortest portion of a fixed guideway system that is technically capable of providing viable public transportation between two end points.
- [(e)] (b) "Public transit system" means a system employing motor buses, rails or any other means of conveyance, by whatever type of power, operated for public use in the conveyance of persons.
- [(d)] (c) "Turnkey procurement" means a competitive procurement process by which a person is selected by a regional transportation commission, based on evaluation criteria established by the commission, to design, build, operate and maintain, or any combination thereof, a fixed guideway system, or a portion thereof, in accordance with performance criteria and technical specifications established by the commission.
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 Sec. 142. NRS 377A.140 is hereby amended to read as follows:

 377A.140 [1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, a] A

 public transit system in a county whose population is 400,000 or more may, in addition to providing local transportation within the county and the services described in NRS 377A.130, provide:
- Programs to reduce or manage motor vehicle traffic; and [(b)] 2. Any other services for a public transit system which are requested by the general public,
- if those additional services are included and described in a long-range plan adopted pursuant to 23 U.S.C. § 134 and 49 U.S.C. § 5303.

- 2. Before a regional transportation commission may provide for an on call public transit system in an area of the county, the commission must receive a determination from the transportation services authority that:
- (a) There are no common motor carriers of passengers who are
- authorized to provide on call operations for transporting passengers in that area; or
- 7 (b) Although there are common motor carriers of passengers who are authorized to provide on call operations for transporting passengers in the area, the common motor carriers of passengers do not wish to provide, or are not capable of providing, those operations. 10
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- 12 (a) "Common motor carrier of passengers" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 706.041. 13
- (b) "On call public transit system" means a system established to transport passengers only upon the request of a person who needs 15 transportation.] 16
- **Sec. 143.** NRS 392.330 is hereby amended to read as follows: 17 392.330 1. In addition to the purposes authorized by NRS 392.320, a 18 board of trustees may use transportation [funds] money of the school 19 district for: 20
 - (a) Arranging and paying for transportation, in accordance with subsection 2, by motor vehicles or otherwise, by contract or such other arrangement as the board of trustees finds most economical, expedient and feasible and for the best interests of the school district.
- (b) Purchasing tickets at reduced rates for the transportation of pupils, including, without limitation, homeless pupils, on public buses for use by 26 pupils enrolled in middle school, junior high school and high school to travel to and from school.
 - Transportation may be arranged and contracted for by a board of trustees with:
 - (a) Any railroad company holding a certificate of public convenience and necessity issued by the public utilities commission of Nevada [or], a bus company or other [licensed] common carrier. [holding a certificate of public convenience and necessity issued by the transportation services authority.]
 - (b) The owners and operators of private automobiles or other private motor vehicles, including parents of pupils who attend school and are entitled to transportation. When required by the board of trustees, every such private automobile or other private motor vehicle regularly transporting pupils must be insured in the amount required by regulation of the state board against the loss and damage described in subsection 2 of NRS 392.320.

- **Sec. 144.** NRS 427A.070 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 427A.070 1. The administrator shall:

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- (a) Subject to the approval of the director, adopt rules and regulations:
- (1) Necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter; and
- (2) Establishing a program to subsidize the transportation by taxicab of the elderly and the permanently handicapped from money received pursuant to subsection [5] 7 of NRS 706.8825;
 - (b) Establish appropriate administrative units within the division;
- 9 (c) Appoint such personnel and prescribe their duties as he deems 10 necessary for the proper and efficient performance of the functions of the 11 division;
 - (d) Prepare and submit to the governor, through the director before September 1 of each even-numbered year for the biennium ending June 30 of such year, reports of activities and expenditures and estimates of sums required to carry out the purposes of this chapter;
 - (e) Make certification for disbursement of funds available for carrying out the purposes of this chapter; and
- 18 (f) Take such other action as may be necessary or appropriate for 19 cooperation with public and private agencies and otherwise to carry out the 20 purposes of this chapter.
- 2. The administrator may delegate to any officer or employee of the division such of his powers and duties as he finds necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter.
 - **Sec. 145.** NRS 481.053 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 25 481.053 1. The governor shall appoint the peace officers' standards 26 and training committee.
- 27 2. The committee consists of seven members, one appointed from Clark County, one from Washoe County, three from any other counties, one
- from category II peace officers and one from category III peace officers.
- Members serve terms of 2 years [from] after the date of appointment.

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- Members serve without compensation but are entitled to the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided by law for state officers and
- allowance and travel expenses provided by law for state officers and employees generally.
- 3. The governor shall make the appointments from recommendations submitted by Clark County, Washoe County, professional organizations of sheriffs and police chiefs of this state, category II peace officers and category III peace officers.
 - 4. The committee shall:
- 39 (a) Meet at the call of the chairman, who must be elected by the 40 members of the committee.
- (b) Provide for and encourage the training and education of peace officers in order to improve the system of criminal justice.

- (c) Adopt regulations establishing minimum standards for the certification and decertification, recruitment, selection and training of peace officers.
- (d) Make necessary inquiries to determine whether agencies of the state and of local governments are complying with standards set forth in its regulations.
- (e) Carry out the duties required of the committee pursuant to NRS 432B.610 and 432B.620.
 - 5. Regulations adopted by the committee:
- 10 (a) Apply to all agencies of the state and of local governments which 11 employ persons as peace officers;
- (b) Must require that all peace officers receive training in the handling of cases involving abuse or neglect of children or missing children; and
- (c) May require that training be carried on at institutions which it approves in those regulations.
 - 6. The director may adopt regulations necessary for the operation of the committee and the enforcement of laws administered by the committee.
 - 7. As used in this section:

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- (a) "Category II peace officer" means:
- (1) The bailiff of the supreme court;
- (2) The bailiffs of the district courts, justices' courts and municipal courts whose duties require them to carry weapons and make arrests;
- (3) Constables and their deputies whose official duties require them to carry weapons and make arrests;
- (4) Inspectors employed by the transportation services authority who exercise those powers of enforcement conferred by [chapters 706 and 712] chapter 706 of NRS;
 - (5) Parole and probation officers;
- (6) Special investigators who are employed full time by the office of any district attorney or the attorney general;
- (7) Investigators of arson for fire departments who are specially designated by the appointing authority;
 - (8) The assistant and deputies of the state fire marshal;
- (9) The brand inspectors of the division of agriculture of the department of business and industry who exercise the powers of enforcement conferred in chapter 565 of NRS;
- (10) Investigators for the state forester firewarden who are specially designated by him and whose primary duties are the investigation of arson;
- 39 (11) School police officers employed by the board of trustees of any county school district;
- 41 (12) Agents of the state gaming control board who exercise the 42 powers of enforcement specified in NRS 289.360, 463.140 or 463.1405,
- 43 except those agents whose duties relate primarily to auditing, accounting,

the collection of taxes or license fees, or the investigation of applicants for licenses;

- (13) Investigators and administrators of the bureau of enforcement of the registration division of the department of motor vehicles and public safety who perform the duties specified in subsection 3 of NRS 481.048;
- (14) Officers and investigators of the section for the control of emissions from vehicles of the registration division of the department of motor vehicles and public safety who perform the duties specified in subsection 3 of NRS 481.0481;
 - (15) Legislative police officers of the State of Nevada;

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- (16) The personnel of the capitol police division of the department of motor vehicles and public safety appointed pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 331.140;
- (17) Parole counselors of the division of child and family services of the department of human resources;
- (18) Juvenile probation officers and deputy juvenile probation officers employed by the various judicial districts in Nevada or by a department of family, youth and juvenile services established pursuant to NRS 62.1264 whose official duties require them to enforce court orders on juvenile offenders and make arrests;
 - (19) Field investigators of [the] a taxicab authority;
- (20) Security officers employed full time by a city or county whose official duties require them to carry weapons and make arrests; and
- (21) The chief of a department of alternative sentencing created pursuant to NRS 211A.080 and the assistant alternative sentencing officers employed by that department.
- (b) "Category III peace officer" means peace officers whose authority is limited to correctional services, and includes the superintendents and correctional officers of the department of prisons.
- Sec. 146. NRS 482.3963 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.3963 1. An owner of a vehicle who leases it to a carrier and operates the vehicle pursuant to that lease may apply to the department for a temporary permit to operate the vehicle if the vehicle:
 - (a) Is not subject to the provisions of NRS 482.390 and 482.395;
- (b) Is not currently registered in this state, another state or a foreign country; and
 - (c) Is operated at the vehicle's unladen weight.
- 2. The department shall charge \$10 for such a temporary permit, in addition to all other applicable fees and taxes.
 - 3. Such a temporary permit must:
- 41 (a) Bear the date of its expiration;
- 42 (b) Expire at 5 p.m. on the 15th day after its date of issuance;

(c) Be affixed to the vehicle in a manner prescribed by the department; and

- (d) Be removed and destroyed upon its expiration or upon the issuance of a certificate of registration for the vehicle, whichever occurs first.
- 4. As used in this section, "carrier" means a common motor carrier of passengers as defined in NRS 706.041, a common motor carrier of property as defined in NRS 706.046, a contract motor carrier as defined in NRS 706.051, [or] a private motor carrier of property as defined in NRS 706.111 [.], a taxicab motor carrier as defined in NRS 706.126, or a limousine motor carrier as defined in section 5 of this act.
- **Sec. 147.** NRS 483.160 is hereby amended to read as follows: 483.160 1. "School bus" means every motor vehicle owned by or under the control of a public or governmental agency or a private school and regularly operated for the transportation of children to or from school or a school activity or privately owned and regularly operated for compensation for the transportation of children to or from school or a school activity.
- 2. "School bus" does not include a passenger car operated under a contract to transport children to and from school, a common carrier or commercial vehicle under the jurisdiction of the Surface Transportation Board [or the transportation services authority] when such a vehicle is operated in the regular conduct of its business in interstate or intrastate commerce within the State of Nevada.
- **Sec. 148.** NRS 484.148 is hereby amended to read as follows: 484.148 1. "School bus" means every motor vehicle owned by or under the control of a public or governmental agency or a private school and regularly operated for the transportation of children to or from school or a school activity or privately owned and regularly operated for compensation for the transportation of children to or from school or a school activity.
- 2. "School bus" does not include a passenger car operated under a contract to transport children to and from school, a common carrier or commercial vehicle under the jurisdiction of the Surface Transportation Board [or the transportation services authority] when such a vehicle is operated in the regular conduct of its business in interstate or intrastate commerce within the State of Nevada.
- sec. 149. NRS 487.038 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 487.038 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 3 and 4, the
 owner or person in lawful possession of any real property may, after giving
 notice pursuant to subsection 2, utilize the services of any [tow car]
 operator of a tow car subject to the jurisdiction of the transportation
 services authority to remove any vehicle parked in an unauthorized manner
- 43 on that property to the nearest public garage or storage yard if

- (a) A sign is displayed in plain view on the property declaring public parking to be prohibited or restricted in a certain manner; and
- (b) The sign shows the telephone number of the police department or sheriff's office.
- 2. Oral notice must be given to the police department or sheriff's office, whichever is appropriate, indicating:
 - (a) The time the vehicle was removed;

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- (b) The location from which the vehicle was removed; and
- (c) The location to which the vehicle was taken.
- 3. Any vehicle which is parked in a space designated for the handicapped and is not properly marked for such parking may be removed if notice is given to the police department or sheriff's office pursuant to subsection 2, whether or not a sign is displayed pursuant to subsection 1.
 - 4. The owner or person in lawful possession of residential real property upon which a single-family dwelling is located may, after giving notice pursuant to subsection 2, utilize the services of any [tow car] operator of a tow car subject to the jurisdiction of the transportation services authority to remove any vehicle parked in an unauthorized manner on that property to the nearest public garage or storage yard, whether or not a sign is displayed pursuant to subsection 1.
 - 5. All costs incurred, under the provisions of this section, for towing and storage must be borne by the owner of the vehicle, as that term is defined in NRS 484.091.
 - 6. The provisions of this section do not limit or affect any rights or remedies which the owner or person in lawful possession of real property may have by virtue of other provisions of the law authorizing the removal of a vehicle parked on that property.
 - **Sec. 150.** NRS 565.040 is hereby amended to read as follows: 565.040 1. The administrator may declare any part of this state a
- 29 565.040 1. The administrator m 30 brand inspection district.
- 2. After the creation of any brand inspection district as authorized by this chapter all animals within any such district are subject to brand inspection in accord with the terms of this chapter before:
 - (a) Consignment for slaughter within any district;
 - (b) Any transfer of ownership by sale or otherwise; or
- 36 (c) Removal from the district if the removal is not authorized pursuant to a livestock movement permit issued by the division.
- 38 3. Whenever a brand inspection district is created by the division pursuant to the provisions of this chapter, the administrator shall adopt and issue regulations defining the boundaries of the district, the fees to be collected for brand inspection, and prescribing such other rules or methods of procedure not inconsistent with the provisions of this chapter as he

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- Any regulations issued pursuant to the provisions of this section must be published at least twice in some newspaper having a general circulation in the brand inspection district created by the regulations, fand copies of the regulations must be mailed to all common carriers of record with the transportation services authority operating in the brand inspection district. which publication and notification constitutes legal notice of the creation of the brand inspection district. The expense of advertising and notification must be paid from the livestock inspection account.
- **Sec. 151.** NRS 599B.010 is hereby amended to read as follows: As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise 599B.010 requires:
- 1. "Chance promotion" means any plan in which premiums are 12 distributed by random or chance selection. 13
 - "Commissioner" means the commissioner of consumer affairs.
 - "Consumer" means a person who is solicited by a seller or salesman.
 - "Division" means the consumer affairs division of the department of business and industry.
 - "Donation" means a promise, grant or pledge of money, credit, property, financial assistance or other thing of value given in response to a solicitation by telephone, including, but not limited to, a payment or promise to pay in consideration for a performance, event or sale of goods or services. The term does not include volunteer services, government grants or contracts or a payment by members of any organization of membership fees, dues, fines or assessments or for services rendered by the organization to those persons, if:
- (a) The fees, dues, fines, assessments or services confer a bona fide 26 right, privilege, professional standing, honor or other direct benefit upon 27 the member: and 28
 - (b) Membership in the organization is not conferred solely in consideration for making a donation in response to a solicitation.
 - "Goods or services" means any property, tangible or intangible, real, personal or mixed, and any other article, commodity or thing of value.
- 7. "Premium" includes any prize, bonus, award, gift or any other 34 similar inducement or incentive to purchase.
 - "Recovery service" means a business or other practice whereby a person represents or implies that he will, for a fee, recover any amount of money that a consumer has provided to a seller or salesman pursuant to a solicitation governed by the provisions of this chapter.
 - "Salesman" means any person:

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- (a) Employed or authorized by a seller to sell, or to attempt to sell, goods or services by telephone;
- 42 (b) Retained by a seller to provide consulting services relating to the operation the seller's business; management of or

- (c) Who communicates on behalf of a seller with a consumer:
- (1) In the course of a solicitation by telephone; or

- (2) For the purpose of verifying, changing or confirming an order, except that a person is not a salesman if his only function is to identify a consumer by name only and he immediately refers the consumer to a salesman.
- 10. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 11, "seller" means any person who, on his own behalf, causes or attempts to cause a solicitation by telephone to be made through the use of one or more salesmen or any automated dialing announcing device under any of the following circumstances:
- (a) The person initiates contact by telephone with a consumer and represents or implies:
- (1) That a consumer who buys one or more goods or services will receive additional goods or services, whether or not of the same type as purchased, without further cost, except for actual postage or common carrier charges;
- (2) That a consumer will or has a chance or opportunity to receive a premium;
- (3) That the items for sale are gold, silver or other precious metals, diamonds, rubies, sapphires or other precious stones, or any interest in oil, gas or mineral fields, wells or exploration sites or any other investment opportunity;
- (4) That the product offered for sale is information or opinions relating to sporting events;
- (5) That the product offered for sale is the services of a recovery service; or
- (6) That the consumer will receive a premium, or goods or services if he makes a donation;
- (b) The solicitation by telephone is made by the person in response to inquiries from a consumer generated by a notification or communication sent or delivered to the consumer that represents or implies:
- (1) That the consumer has been in any manner specially selected to receive the notification or communication or the offer contained in the notification or communication;
- (2) That the consumer will receive a premium if the recipient calls the person;
- (3) That if the consumer buys one or more goods or services from the person, the consumer will also receive additional or other goods or services, whether or not the same type as purchased, without further cost or at a cost that the person represents or implies is less than the regular price

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- (4) That the product offered for sale is the services of a recovery service; or
- (5) That the consumer will receive a premium or goods or services if he makes a donation; or
- (c) The solicitation by telephone is made by the person in response to inquiries generated by advertisements that represent or imply that the person is offering to sell any:
- (1) Gold, silver or other metals, including coins, diamonds, rubies, sapphires or other stones, coal or other minerals or any interest in oil, gas or other mineral fields, wells or exploration sites, or any other investment opportunity;
 - (2) Information or opinions relating to sporting events; or
- (3) Services of a recovery service.
 - 11. "Seller" does not include:

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- (a) A person licensed pursuant to chapter 90 of NRS when soliciting offers, sales or purchases within the scope of his license.
- (b) A person licensed pursuant to chapter 119A, 119B, 624, 645 or 696A of NRS when soliciting sales within the scope of his license.
- (c) A person licensed as an insurance broker, agent or solicitor when soliciting sales within the scope of his license.
- (d) Any solicitation of sales made by the publisher of a newspaper or magazine or by an agent of the publisher pursuant to a written agreement between the agent and publisher.
- (e) A broadcaster soliciting sales who is licensed by any state or federal authority, if the solicitation is within the scope of the broadcaster's license.
 - (f) A person who solicits a donation from a consumer when:
- (1) The person represents or implies that the consumer will receive a premium or goods or services with an aggregated fair market value of 2 percent of the donation or \$50, whichever is less; or
- (2) The consumer provides a donation of \$50 or less in response to the solicitation.
- (g) A charitable organization which is registered or approved to conduct a lottery pursuant to chapter 462 of NRS.
- (h) A public utility [or], taxicab motor carrier or limousine motor carrier which is regulated pursuant to chapter 704 or 706 of NRS, or [by] an affiliate of such a utility or [motor] carrier, if the solicitation is within the scope of its certificate or [license.] permit.
- (i) A utility which is regulated pursuant to chapter 710 of NRS, or [by] an affiliate of such a utility.
- 40 (j) A person soliciting the sale of books, recordings, video cassettes, 41 software for computer systems or similar items through:

- (1) An organization whose method of sales is governed by the provisions of Part 425 of Title 16 of the Code of Federal Regulations relating to the use of negative option plans by sellers in commerce;
- (2) The use of continuity plans, subscription arrangements, arrangements for standing orders, supplements, and series arrangements pursuant to which the person periodically ships merchandise to a consumer who has consented in advance to receive the merchandise on a periodic basis and has the opportunity to review the merchandise for at least 10 days and return it for a full refund within 30 days after it is received; or
 - (3) An arrangement pursuant to which the person ships merchandise to a consumer who has consented in advance to receive the merchandise and has the opportunity to review the merchandise for at least 10 days and return it for a full refund within 30 days after it is received.
 - (k) A person who solicits sales by periodically publishing and delivering a catalog to consumers if the catalog:
 - (1) Contains a written description or illustration of each item offered for sale and the price of each item;
 - (2) Includes the business address of the person;
 - (3) Includes at least 24 pages of written material and illustrations;
 - (4) Is distributed in more than one state; and

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- (5) Has an annual circulation by mailing of not less than 250,000.
- (l) A person soliciting without the intent to complete and who does not complete, the sales transaction by telephone but completes the sales transaction at a later face-to-face meeting between the solicitor and the consumer, if the person, after soliciting a sale by telephone, does not cause another person to collect the payment from or deliver any goods or services purchased to the consumer.
- (m) Any commercial bank, bank holding company, subsidiary or affiliate of a bank holding company, trust company, savings and loan association, credit union, industrial loan company, personal property broker, consumer finance lender, commercial finance lender, or insurer subject to regulation by an official or agency of this state or of the United States, if the solicitation is within the scope of the certificate or license held by the entity.
- (n) A person holding a certificate of authority issued pursuant to chapter 452 of NRS when soliciting sales within the scope of the certificate.
 - (o) A person licensed pursuant to chapter 689 of NRS when soliciting sales within the scope of his license.
- (p) A person soliciting the sale of services provided by a community
 antenna television company subject to regulation pursuant to chapter 711 of
 NRS.
- 42 (q) A person soliciting the sale of agricultural products, if the 43 solicitation is not intended to and does not result in a sale of more than

- \$100 that is to be delivered to one address. As used in this paragraph, "agricultural products" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 587.290.
- (r) A person who has been operating, for at least 2 years, a retail business establishment under the same name as that used in connection with the solicitation of sales by telephone if, on a continuing basis:
- (1) Goods are displayed and offered for sale or services are offered for sale and provided at the person's business establishment; and
- (2) At least 50 percent of the person's business involves the buyer obtaining such goods or services at the person's business establishment.
- (s) A person soliciting only the sale of telephone answering services to be provided by the person or his employer.
- (t) A person soliciting a transaction regulated by the Commodity Futures 12 Trading Commission, if: 13
- (1) The person is registered with or temporarily licensed by the Commission to conduct that activity pursuant to the Commodity Exchange Act, $\{(1, 1)^2\}$ 7 U.S.C. §§ 1 et seq.; $\{(1, 1)^2\}$ and 16
 - (2) The registration or license has not expired or been suspended or revoked.
- (u) A person who contracts for the maintenance or repair of goods 19 previously purchased from the person: 20
 - (1) Making the solicitation; or

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- (2) On whose behalf the solicitation is made.
- (v) A person to whom a license to operate an information service or a 23 nonrestricted gaming license, which is current and valid, has been issued pursuant to chapter 463 of NRS when soliciting sales within the scope of his license. 26
 - (w) A person who solicits a previous customer of the business on whose behalf the call is made if the person making the call:
 - (1) Does not offer the customer any premium in connection with the sale:
- (2) Is not selling an investment or an opportunity for an investment 31 that is not registered with any state or federal authority; and 32
 - (3) Is not regularly engaged in telephone sales.
 - (x) A person who solicits the sale of livestock.
- (y) An issuer which has a class of securities that is listed on the New 35
- York Stock Exchange, the American Stock Exchange or the National
- Market System of the National Association of Securities Dealers 37
- 38 Automated Quotation System.
- (z) A subsidiary of an issuer that qualifies for exemption pursuant to 39 paragraph (y) if at least 60 percent of the voting power of the shares of the subsidiary is owned by the issuer.

- **Sec. 152.** NRS 706.018, 706.021, 706.056, 706.072, 706.1512, 706.1514, 706.158, 706.168, 706.266, 706.282, 706.356, 706.371, 706.391, 706.396, 706.421, 706.426, 706.431, 706.436, 706.442, 706.443, 706.471, 706.476, 706.6411, 706.749, 706.8811, 706.8812, 706.8813,
- 706.8814, 706.8816, 706.8817, 706.8818, 706.8828, 712.010, 712.020,
- 712.030, 712.040, 712.050, 712.060, 712.070, 712.080 and 712.090 are hereby repealed. 7
- Sec. 153. Any regulations relating to liability insurance adopted by the 8 transportation services authority pursuant to NRS 706.291, 706.303 or 706.305, or the taxicab authority created pursuant to former NRS 10 706.8818, remain in force until amended by the department of motor 11
- vehicles and public safety. On and after July 1, 1999, such regulations must 12
- be enforced by the department of motor vehicles and public safety. 13 14

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- **Sec. 154.** On July 1, 1999, the transportation services authority and the taxicab authority created pursuant to former NRS 706.8818 shall forward to the department of motor vehicles and public safety all liability insurance policies, certificates of insurance, bonds of a surety company and other surety which have been filed with the transportation services authority and the taxicab authority created pursuant to former NRS 706.8818.
- Except to the extent of any inconsistency with the 20 provisions of chapter 706 of NRS, any regulation adopted by the 21
- transportation services authority remains in effect in the counties which
- were not otherwise subject to the jurisdiction of the taxicab authority 23
- created pursuant to former NRS 706.8818 until the date on which the
- regulations adopted by the taxicab authority for northern Nevada pursuant
- to section 157 of this act become effective. The regulations of the 26
- transportation services authority must be enforced by the taxicab authority 27
- for northern Nevada during the period between July 1, 1999, and the date 28 29
 - on which the regulations adopted by the taxicab authority for northern
- Nevada pursuant to section 157 of this act become effective. 30
- Any contracts or other agreements entered into on or before June 30, 31 32 1999, by the transportation services authority relating to the taxicab or
- limousine business are binding upon the taxicab authority which has 33
- 34 jurisdiction over the taxicabs or limousines that are subject to the
- provisions of the contracts or other agreements. Such contracts and 35
- agreements may be enforced by the taxicab authority for northern Nevada. 36
- 1. Except to the extent of any inconsistency with the 37
- 38 provisions of chapter 706 of NRS, any regulation adopted by the taxicab authority created pursuant to former NRS 706.8818 remains in force in the 39
- county which was subject to the jurisdiction of that taxicab authority until 40
- the date on which the regulations adopted by the taxicab authority for 41
- 42 southern Nevada pursuant to section 157 of this act become effective. The
- regulations of the taxicab authority created pursuant to former NRS

- 706.8818 must be enforced by the taxicab authority for southern Nevada during the period between July 1, 1999, and the date on which the
- regulations adopted by the taxicab authority for southern Nevada pursuant to section 157 of this act become effective.
 - 2. Any contracts or other agreements entered into on or before June 30, 1999, by the taxicab authority created pursuant to former NRS 706.8818 are binding upon the taxicab authority for southern Nevada. Such contracts and agreements may be enforced by the taxicab authority for southern Nevada.
- **Sec. 157.** Not later than October 1, 1999, the taxicab authority for 10 southern Nevada and the taxicab authority for northern Nevada shall adopt 11 such regulations as are necessary to carry out the provisions of NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, and sections 12 to 21, inclusive, of this act. 13
- Sec. 158. The board of county commissioners for each county 14 required to enact an ordinance pursuant to sections 20 and 21 of this act, 15 relating to the regulation of taxicab motor carriers and limousine motor carriers that are based and primarily operate within the jurisdiction of the 17 board of county commissioners shall enact such an ordinance not later than 18 October 1, 1999. The ordinance must become effective on October 1, 1999. 19
- **Sec. 159.** 1. Notwithstanding any specific statute to the contrary, the 20 terms of office of all members of the taxicab authority created pursuant to 21 NRS 706.8818 expire on June 30, 1999. 22
- Not later than July 1, 1999, the governor shall appoint five persons 23 as members of the taxicab authority for southern Nevada, whose terms commence on July 1, 1999. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 12 of this act to the contrary, for the initial terms of the members of the taxicab 26 authority for southern Nevada, the governor shall appoint:
 - (a) Three members to 4-year terms; and
 - (b) Two members to 3-year terms.

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- 1. Not later than July 1, 1999, the governor shall appoint 30 Sec. 160. three persons as members of the taxicab authority for northern Nevada, 31 32 whose terms commence on July 1, 1999.
- Notwithstanding the provisions of section 13 of this act to the 33 34 contrary, for the initial terms of the members of the taxicab authority for northern Nevada, the governor shall appoint, in addition to the appointment of the sheriff of a county whose population is 100,000 or more but less than 36 400,000: 37
 - (a) One member to a 4-year term; and
- (b) One member to a 3-year term. 39
- **Sec. 161.** On October 1, 1999, the state controller shall transfer all 40 assets and liabilities from the taxicab authority fund abolished pursuant to section 118 of this act to the taxicab authority regulatory fund for southern
- Nevada created pursuant to section 118 of this act.

- Sec. 162. The taxicab authority created pursuant to NRS 706.8818 and
- 2 the transportation services authority shall cooperate fully and take all
- reasonable steps before July 1, 1999, to ensure that the provisions of this act are carried out in an orderly fashion.
- Sec. 162.5. The amendatory provisions of section 15.5 of this act do not apply to offenses that were committed before July 1, 1999.
- 7 **Sec. 163.** 1. This section and sections 159, 160 and 162 of this act 8 become effective upon passage and approval.
- 9 2. Sections 1 to 75, inclusive, 77 to 142, inclusive, 144 to 158,
- inclusive, 161, 162.5 and 164 of this act become effective on July 1, 1999.
- 3. Sections 76 and 143 of this act become effective at 12:01 a.m. on 12 July 1, 1999.
- Sec. 164. Sections 17, 18 and 19 of this act expire by limitation on the
- date on which the provisions of 42 U.S.C. § 666 requiring each state to
- 15 establish procedures under which the state has authority to withhold or
- suspend, or to restrict the use of professional, occupational and recreational licenses of persons who:
- 1. Have failed to comply with a subpoena or warrant relating to a
- 19 proceeding to determine the paternity of a child or to establish or enforce
- 20 an obligation for the support of a child; or
- 2. Are in arrears in the payment for the support of one or more
- 22 children,
- 23 are repealed by the Congress of the United States.

LEADLINES OF REPEALED SECTIONS

- 706.018 "Authority" defined.
- **706.021** "Broker" defined.
- 706.056 "Converter gear dolly" defined.
- 706.072 "Fully regulated carrier" defined.
- 706.1512 Authority: Designation of chairman by governor; executive officer; members in unclassified service of state.
- 706.1514 Authority: Power of majority of members; exercise of power and conduct of business by majority of members; hearings.
- 706.158 Inapplicability of provisions governing brokers to motor clubs and charitable organizations.
- 706.168 Supervision of motor carriers separate from supervision of brokers.
- 706.266 Intrastate motor carriers required to furnish information

authority.

706.282 Duty of fully regulated carrier that advertises to provide to person who publishes or distributes advertisement of certain information regarding natural person who requested advertisement; duty of person who publishes or distributes advertisement of fully regulated carrier to provide certain information to authority.

706.356 Certain free transportation prohibited.

706.371 Powers of authority to regulate contract motor carriers.

706.391 Hearing on application; conditions for issuance; power of authority to dispense with hearing.

706.396 Effect of denial of certificate.

706.421 Contract motor carrier must obtain permit from commission.

706.426 Application for permit: Contents and form.

706.431 Conditions for issuance or denial of permit; approval of contract entered into after issuance of permit.

706.436 Effect of denial of permit.

706.442 Requirements.

706.443 Enforcement of provisions of NRS 706.442 by authority; regulations.

706.471 Annual fee; penalty and interest.

706.476 Impoundment by authority of vehicle in unauthorized use as taxicab; notice and hearing; administrative fine.

706.6411 Procedure; limitation on transfer of stock of corporate motor carriers other than operators of tow cars.

706.749 Permit for employer transporting employees between place of work and homes or central areas for parking; requirements.

706.8811 Definitions.

706.8812 "Administrator" defined.

706.8813 "Certificate holder" defined.

706.8814 "Driver" defined.

706.8816 "Taxicab" defined.

706.8817 "Taximeter" defined.

706.8818 Appointment, number, qualifications and compensation of members; principal office; regulations.

706.8828 Insurance.

712.010 Short title.

712.020 Legislative declaration.

712.030 "Storage of household goods and effects" defined.

712.040 Permit for warehouse required.

712.050 Requirements for permit; grounds for revocation; fee; penalty.

712.060 Inspection by transportation services authority.
712.070 Rules and regulations of transportation services authority.
712.080 Disciplinary proceedings; judicial review.
712.090 Penalty.