SENATE BILL NO. 65-SENATOR JACOBSEN

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Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Authorizes department of motor vehicles and public safety to issue placards for members of volunteer fire departments. (BDR 43-1250)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: No.

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

AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; authorizing the department of motor vehicles and public safety to issue placards for the members of volunteer fire departments; 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 482 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a

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3 new section to read as follows:

- The chief of a volunteer fire department may apply to the department of motor vehicles and public safety for the issuance of a 6 placard for each member of the volunteer fire department. The 7 application must:
- (a) Be submitted on a form approved by the department of motor vehicles and public safety; and
 - (b) Include:
- (1) The name of each person for whom the application is 12 submitted: and
- (2) Proof satisfactory to the department of motor vehicles and 14 public safety that each person named in the application is a member of the volunteer fire department.
- Upon receipt of an application pursuant to the provisions of subsection 1, the department of motor vehicles and public safety may
- 18 prepare and issue the number of placards requested in the application. The
- 19 placards may be prepared using any colors and designs the
- 20 department of motor vehicles and public safety deems appropriate and

may include any letters, numbers or combination of letters and numbers requested by the chief of the volunteer fire department.

- A placard issued pursuant to the provisions of this section may:
- (a) Include any designs, decals, insignia, letters, numbers or other identifying marks the chief of the volunteer fire department deems appropriate; and
- (b) Be assigned to a member of the volunteer fire department who is qualified to receive a placard pursuant to the provisions of subsection 1.
- If a member of a volunteer fire department to whom a placard is assigned pursuant to the provisions of subsection 3 ceases to be a member of that department, the member shall surrender the placard to 12 the chief of that department. The chief may assign the placard to a member of that department if the chief submits a written statement to the department of motor vehicles and public safety which:
- (a) Specifies the name of the former member of the volunteer fire 15 department who surrendered the placard and the name of the member to 16 whom the placard will be assigned; and 17

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- (b) Includes proof satisfactory to the department of motor vehicles 18 and public safety that the member to whom the placard will be assigned is a member of the volunteer fire department. 20
- 5. A placard issued pursuant to the provisions of this section may not be used in lieu of a license plate issued pursuant to the provisions of this 22 chapter.
 - *6*. The department of motor vehicles and public safety may:
- (a) Charge a fee for preparing and issuing a placard pursuant to the 25 provisions of this section. The fee must not exceed the cost of preparing 26 and issuing the placard. 27
 - (b) Adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of this section.