

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 160—COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND LABOR

FEBRUARY 15, 2001

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Clarifies that sole proprietor is not required to obtain industrial insurance or coverage for occupational diseases before performing work under certain contracts. (BDR 53-1097)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.  
Effect on the State: No.

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

AN ACT relating to insurance; clarifying that a sole proprietor is not required to obtain industrial insurance or coverage for occupational diseases before performing work under a contract with the state or a political subdivision of the state or a metropolitan police department under certain circumstances; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN  
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** NRS 616B.627 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2 616B.627 ~~{Before}~~

3 ***1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, before*** any person,  
4 firm or corporation commences work under any contract with the state or  
5 any political subdivision thereof, or a metropolitan police department, the  
6 contractor shall furnish to the state agency, political subdivision or  
7 metropolitan police department having charge of the letting of the contract  
8 a certificate of the insurer certifying that the contractor has complied with  
9 the provisions of chapters 616A to 616D, inclusive, of NRS. A political  
10 subdivision or metropolitan police department shall not furnish coverage  
11 for industrial insurance for a contractor except as otherwise agreed in the  
12 contract.

13 ***2. In lieu of furnishing a certificate of an insurer pursuant to the***  
14 ***provisions of subsection 1, a sole proprietor may submit to a state agency,***  
15 ***political subdivision or metropolitan police department specified in***  
16 ***subsection 1 an affidavit indicating that the sole proprietor:***

17 ***(a) In accordance with the provisions of NRS 616B.659, has not***  
18 ***elected to be included within the terms, conditions and provisions of***  
19 ***chapters 616A to 616D, inclusive, of NRS; and***



1 *(b) Is otherwise in compliance with those terms, conditions and*  
2 *provisions.*

3 *3. If a sole proprietor submits an affidavit specified in subsection 2 to*  
4 *a state agency, political subdivision or metropolitan police department*  
5 *specified in subsection 1, the state agency, political subdivision or*  
6 *metropolitan police department shall not require the sole proprietor to*  
7 *obtain industrial insurance for himself during any period in which he*  
8 *performs work under the contract for which he submitted the affidavit.*

9 **Sec. 2.** NRS 617.210 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10 617.210 ~~Before~~

11 *1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, before* any person,  
12 firm or corporation commences work under any contract with the state or  
13 any political subdivision thereof, *or a metropolitan police department,* the  
14 contractor shall furnish to the state agency, political subdivision or  
15 metropolitan police department having charge of the letting of the contract  
16 a certificate of the insurer certifying that the contractor has complied with  
17 the provisions of this chapter. A political subdivision shall not furnish  
18 coverage under this chapter for a contractor except as otherwise agreed in  
19 the contract.

20 *2. In lieu of furnishing a certificate of an insurer pursuant to the*  
21 *provisions of subsection 1, a sole proprietor may submit to a state agency,*  
22 *political subdivision or metropolitan police department an affidavit*  
23 *indicating that the sole proprietor:*

24 *(a) In accordance with the provisions of NRS 617.225, has not elected*  
25 *to be included within the terms, conditions and provisions of this*  
26 *chapter; and*

27 *(b) Is otherwise in compliance with those terms, conditions and*  
28 *provisions.*

29 *3. If a sole proprietor submits an affidavit specified in subsection 2 to*  
30 *a state agency, political subdivision or metropolitan police department*  
31 *specified in subsection 1, the state agency, political subdivision or*  
32 *metropolitan police department shall not require the sole proprietor to*  
33 *obtain coverage for himself under this chapter during any period in*  
34 *which he performs work under the contract for which he submitted the*  
35 *affidavit.*

36 **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2001.

