ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 169–ASSEMBLYMEN ANGLE, BROWN, CARPENTER, CLABORN, COLLINS, GUSTAVSON, HETTRICK, HUMKE, LEE, MANENDO, PRICE AND VON TOBEL

## FEBRUARY 15, 2001

## Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

SUMMARY—Requires provision of information concerning scientifically reported link between induced abortion and increased rate of breast cancer to women considering abortion. (BDR 40-90)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: 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 public health; requiring information regarding the scientifically reported link between an induced abortion and an increased rate of breast cancer to be provided to each woman considering an abortion; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

**Section 1.** NRS 442.253 is hereby amended to read as follows:

442.253 1. The attending physician or a person meeting the qualifications established by regulations adopted by the health division shall accurately and in a manner which is reasonably likely to be understood by the pregnant woman:

(a) Explain that, in his professional judgment, she is pregnant and a copy of her pregnancy test is available to her.

(b) Inform her of the number of weeks which have elapsed from the probable time of conception.

(c) Explain the physical and emotional implications of having the abortion [-], including, without limitation, the scientifically reported link between an induced abortion and an increased risk of developing breast cancer later in life.

(d) Describe the medical procedure to be used, its consequences and the proper procedures for her care after the abortion.

2. The attending physician shall verify that all material facts and information, which in his professional judgment are necessary to allow the woman to give her informed consent, have been provided to her and that her consent is informed.



3. If the woman does not understand English, the form indicating consent must be written in a language understood by her, or the attending physician shall certify on the form that the information required to be given has been presented in such a manner as to be understandable by her. If an interpreter is used, the interpreter must be named and reference to this use must be made on the form for consent.



