

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 271—ASSEMBLYMEN HUMKE, GIBBONS, VON TOBEL,  
BACHE, BEERS, DINI, GOLDWATER, MCCLAIN, MORTENSON,  
NEIGHBORS, PRICE AND WILLIAMS

MARCH 5, 2001

Referred to Committee on Education

SUMMARY—Revises provisions concerning automobile driver education and renewal of  
license of instructor of school for training drivers. (BDR 34-1011)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.  
Effect on the State: 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 the training of drivers; requiring the state board of education to adopt  
regulations governing automobile driver education in public schools; requiring an  
instructor of a school for training drivers to complete certain training before his  
license as an instructor may be renewed by the department of motor vehicles and  
public safety; 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 389.090 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
2     389.090 1. The state board shall adopt regulations governing the  
3     establishment, conduct and scope of automobile driver education in the  
4     public schools of this state. *The regulations must set forth, without*  
5     *limitation:*  
6     (a) *The number of hours of training that must be completed by a pupil*  
7     *who enrolls in a course in automobile driver education;*  
8     (b) *That a course in automobile driver education may be conducted in*  
9     *a classroom or motor vehicle, or both; and*  
10    (c) *That if a course in automobile driver education is conducted both*  
11    *in a classroom and in a motor vehicle, 1 hour of training in a motor*  
12    *vehicle is equivalent to 3 hours of training in a classroom.*  
13    2. The aims and purposes of automobile driver education are to  
14    develop the knowledge, attitudes, habits and skills necessary for the safe  
15    operation of motor vehicles.  
16    3. The board of trustees of a school district may establish and maintain  
17    *courses in* automobile driver education ~~classes~~ during regular semesters  
18    and summer sessions and during the regular school day and at times other  
19    than during the regular school day for:



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1 (a) Pupils enrolled in the regular full-time day high schools in the  
2 school district.

3 (b) Pupils enrolled in summer classes conducted in high schools in the  
4 school district.

5 A board of trustees maintaining courses in automobile driver education  
6 shall insure against any liability arising out of the use of motor vehicles in  
7 connection with those courses. The cost of the insurance must be paid from  
8 available *money of the* school district. ~~{funds.}~~

9 4. A governing body of a charter school may establish and maintain  
10 *courses in* automobile driver education ~~{classes}~~ if the governing body  
11 insures against any liability arising out of the use of motor vehicles in  
12 connection with those courses.

13 5. Automobile driver education must be provided by boards of trustees  
14 of school districts and governing bodies of charter schools in accordance  
15 with the regulations of the state board and may not be duplicated by any  
16 other agency, department, commission or officer of the State of Nevada.

17 6. Each course in automobile driver education provided by a board of  
18 trustees of a school district or a governing body of a charter school must  
19 include, without limitation, instruction in:

20 (a) Motor vehicle insurance.

21 (b) The effect of drugs and alcohol on an operator of a motor vehicle.

22 7. Each course in automobile driver education provided by a board of  
23 trustees of a school district or a governing body of a charter school must be  
24 restricted to pupils who are sophomores, juniors or seniors in high school.

25 **Sec. 2.** NRS 483.730 is hereby amended to read as follows:

26 483.730 1. The department shall issue a license to operate a school  
27 for training drivers or to act as an instructor for such a school, if ~~if~~ *the*  
28 *department* is satisfied that the applicant has met the qualifications  
29 required by NRS 483.700 to 483.780, inclusive.

30 2. The license is valid for 5 years after the date of issuance, unless  
31 canceled, suspended or revoked by the department and, except as otherwise  
32 provided in subsection 3, may be renewed subject to the same conditions as  
33 the original license.

34 3. The department may renew the license of an instructor of a school  
35 for training drivers if, when he submits his application for the renewal of  
36 his license, he provides evidence satisfactory to the department that, during  
37 the period of the license, he completed ~~at least six credits of continuing~~  
38 ~~education by attending:~~

39 ~~—(a) A course of instruction relating to the training of drivers approved~~  
40 ~~by the department; or~~

41 ~~—(b) A state or national conference approved by the department of~~  
42 ~~education for credit for continuing education.~~

43 ~~—4. In determining whether an instructor has complied with the~~  
44 ~~provisions of subsection 3, the department shall award one credit of~~  
45 ~~continuing education for the completion of each 15 hours of:~~

46 ~~—(a) Classroom instruction in a course specified in paragraph (a) of~~  
47 ~~subsection 3; or~~



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1 ~~— (b) Attendance at a conference specified in paragraph (b) of subsection~~  
2 ~~3.1 training of a type and in an amount prescribed by the department by~~  
3 ~~regulation.~~

4 **Sec. 3.** Section 5 of chapter 407, Statutes of Nevada 1999, at page  
5 1926, is hereby repealed.

6 **Sec. 4.** 1. This section and section 1 of this act become effective on  
7 July 1, 2001.

8 2. Sections 2 and 3 of this act become effective on October 1, 2001.

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**TEXT OF REPEALED SECTION**

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**Section 5 of chapter 407, Statutes of Nevada 1999:**

Sec. 5. The requirements for continuing education set forth in NRS 483.730 do not apply to the renewal of a license of an instructor for a school for training drivers before October 1, 2001.

