

SENATE BILL NO. 118—SENATOR SHAFFER

FEBRUARY 13, 2001

Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Revises certain provisions governing fees charged by short-term lessors of passenger cars. (BDR 43-708)

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 passenger cars; increasing the fee a short-term lessor of a passenger car may charge for a waiver of damages; authorizing a short-term lessor of a passenger car to charge a short-term lessee an additional fee for certain additional authorized drivers; 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 482.31565 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
2     482.31565 1. A short-term lessor shall not require the purchase of a  
3     waiver of damages, optional insurance or any other optional good or  
4     service as a condition for the lease of a passenger car.  
5     2. A short-term lessor may sell a waiver of damages but shall not  
6     charge more than ~~10~~ **\$15** per full or partial 24-hour rental period for the  
7     waiver.  
8     3. A short-term lessor who disseminates an advertisement in the State  
9     of Nevada that contains a rate for the lease of a passenger car shall include  
10    in the advertisement a clearly readable statement of the charge for a waiver  
11    of damages and a statement that the waiver is optional.  
12    4. A short-term lessor shall not engage in any unfair, deceptive or  
13    coercive conduct to induce a short-term lessee to purchase a waiver of  
14    damages, optional insurance or any other optional good or service,  
15    including, but not limited to, refusing to honor the lessee's reservation,  
16    limiting the availability of cars, requiring a deposit or debiting or blocking  
17    the lessee's credit card account for a sum equivalent to a deposit if the  
18    lessee declines to purchase a waiver, optional insurance or any other  
19    optional good or service.  
20    **Sec. 2.** NRS 482.3158 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
21    482.3158 1. The short-term lessor of a passenger car may impose an  
22    additional charge:



- 1 (a) Based on reasonable age criteria established by the lessor.  
2 (b) For any item or a service provided if the short-term lessee could  
3 have avoided incurring the charge by choosing not to obtain or utilize the  
4 optional item or service.  
5 (c) For insurance and accessories requested by the lessee.  
6 (d) For service incident to the lessee's optional return of the car to a  
7 location other than the location where the car was leased.  
8 (e) For refueling the car at the conclusion of the lease if the lessee did  
9 not return the car with as much fuel as was in the fuel tank at the beginning  
10 of the lease.  
11 *(f) For any authorized driver in addition to the short-term lessee and*  
12 *one other authorized driver but shall not charge more than \$5 per full or*  
13 *partial 24-hour period for such an additional authorized driver.*  
14 2. A short-term lessor shall not charge a short-term lessee, as a  
15 condition of leasing a passenger car, an additional fee for:  
16 (a) Any surcharges required for fuel.  
17 (b) Transporting the lessee to the location where the car will be  
18 delivered to the lessee.  
19 (c) ~~Any~~ *One* other authorized driver.  
20 3. If a short-term lessor:  
21 (a) Delivers a passenger car to a short-term lessee at a location other  
22 than the location where the lessor normally carries on its business, the  
23 lessor shall not charge the lessee any amount for the period before the  
24 delivery of the car.  
25 (b) Takes possession of a passenger car from a short-term lessee at a  
26 location other than the location where the lessor normally carries on its  
27 business, the lessor shall not charge the lessee any amount for the period  
28 after the lessee notifies the lessor to take possession of the car.  
29 **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2001.

