

Senate Bill No. 482—Committee on Human
Resources and Facilities

CHAPTER.....

AN ACT relating to skateboard parks; prohibiting a person who uses a skateboard park from engaging in certain conduct; requiring such a person to follow certain safety requirements; providing a penalty; 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 455B of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 12, inclusive, of this act.

Sec. 2. *As used in sections 2 to 12, inclusive, of this act, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in sections 3 to 7, inclusive, of this act have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.*

Sec. 3. *“Roller skate” means a tandem or in-line set of wheels mounted on a frame that can be fitted to the sole of a shoe or a shoe mounted on a tandem or in-line set of wheels.*

Sec. 4. *“Scooter” means a tandem or in-line set of wheels mounted on a board or frame with a steering handle which is not propelled by a motor.*

Sec. 5. *“Skateboard” means a tandem or in-line set of wheels mounted on a board.*

Sec. 6. *“Skateboard park” means a park or part of a park with paths, slopes, structures, jumps and other areas open to the public that are designated for use with a skateboard, roller skates, a bicycle or a scooter.*

Sec. 7. *“Skateboard park operator” means an agency or political subdivision of this state that owns, controls, operates or manages a skateboard park.*

Sec. 8. *A person shall not:*

1. Fail or refuse to comply with:

(a) Reasonable instructions provided by an authorized agent or employee of a skateboard park operator regarding the use of the skateboard park; or

(b) Rules concerning safety that are posted on a sign in a conspicuous place by a skateboard park operator;

2. Intentionally place, drop or throw any object in the path of a user of a skateboard park or on the surface of a skateboard park; or

3. Conduct himself in a manner that interferes with the safe operation of a skateboard park or with the safety of other users of a skateboard park.

Sec. 9. *A person using a skateboard park shall, to the extent possible:*

1. Locate and ascertain the meaning of any sign that is posted in or near the skateboard park by the skateboard park operator;

2. Heed warnings and other information posted by the skateboard park operator;

3. *Avoid impeding or colliding with other skateboarders, roller skaters, bicyclists and operators of scooters when entering any part of the skateboard park and when commencing to skateboard, roller skate, ride a bicycle or operate a scooter from a stationary position;*

4. *Maintain a proper awareness and control of his speed to avoid colliding with objects and other users of the skateboard park; and*

5. *Conduct himself in such a manner as to avoid injury to persons and property in the skateboard park.*

Sec. 10. 1. *A person who sustains a personal injury while he is using a skateboard park shall notify the skateboard park operator or an authorized agent or employee of the operator of the injury as soon as reasonably possible.*

2. *A skateboard park operator is not liable for the death or injury of a person or for damage to property caused or sustained by a person using a skateboard park who knowingly enters an area which is not designated for use with a skateboard, roller skates, a bicycle or a scooter.*

3. *A skateboard park operator shall take reasonable steps to minimize dangers and conditions within his control.*

Sec. 11. 1. *A person shall not enter or use a skateboard park to skateboard, roller skate, ride a bicycle or operate a scooter while intoxicated or under the influence of a controlled substance, unless in accordance with a lawfully issued prescription.*

2. *A person using a skateboard park who is involved in a collision or an accident in which another person is injured shall provide his name and current address to the injured person and the skateboard park operator or an authorized agent or employee of the operator:*

(a) *Before he leaves the vicinity of the collision or accident; or*

(b) *As soon as reasonably possible after leaving the vicinity of the collision or accident to secure aid for the injured person.*

3. *A person who violates a provision of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.*

Sec. 12. *The provisions of sections 2 to 12, inclusive, of this act do not prohibit a county, city or town from adopting ordinances that regulate skateboard parks which are consistent with the provisions of sections 2 to 10, inclusive, of this act.*

Sec. 13. NRS 455B.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

455B.010 As used in ~~{this chapter,}~~ *NRS 455B.010 to 455B.100, inclusive*, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. "Amusement park" means any permanent facility or park where amusement rides are available for use by the public.

2. "Amusement ride" or "ride" means any type of ride including, without limitation, any mechanical or aquatic device which carries passengers over a fixed or restricted route primarily for the passengers' amusement. The terms include any ride propelled by its passengers or gravity if it is located in an amusement park.

3. "Operator" means a person who owns, leases, manages or operates an amusement park.

4. "Passenger" means a person using an amusement ride.

Sec. 14. NRS 455B.030 is hereby amended to read as follows:

455B.030 1. An operator shall prominently post and maintain in at least five conspicuous locations in the amusement park, including each entrance, exit, station for reporting an injury and first aid station, signs that:

(a) Indicate the responsibilities of operators and passengers pursuant to ~~{this chapter.}~~ *the provisions of NRS 455B.010 to 455B.100, inclusive.*

(b) Inform passengers of the location of stations for reporting accidents.

2. An operator shall prominently post and maintain signs in simple and concise language at or near points where passengers embark upon an amusement ride, directing persons who are not familiar with the operation of the ride to ask an authorized agent or employee of the operator for assistance and instruction.

Sec. 15. NRS 455B.100 is hereby amended to read as follows:

455B.100 ~~{This chapter does}~~ *The provisions of NRS 455B.010 to 455B.100, inclusive, do* not prohibit a county, city or unincorporated town from adopting ordinances that regulate amusement parks which are consistent with the provisions of ~~{this chapter.}~~ *NRS 455B.010 to 455B.100, inclusive.*

Sec. 16. The amendatory provisions of this act do not apply to offenses committed before July 1, 2001.

Sec. 17. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2001.