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Assembly Bill 58  
Assembly Committee on Transportation  
February 27, 2003

Thank you, Madam Chairwoman and members of the Assembly Transportation Committee for your consideration of Assembly Bill 58. I am Assemblyman Tom Grady, District 38.

NRS 484.473 was added to the statutes in 1969. An amendment, AB 157, was introduced in 1999 and lost in the final days of the session. The statute was amended in 2001 by AB 383; the prime sponsor was again my friend from District 14, Assemblywoman Koivisto. Unfortunately, the amendment covered only counties over 100,000 in population.

In September, 2002, Speaker Emeritus Joe Dini, Jr. requested BDR 668 to expand the legislation to all counties. Senator Mark Amodei and I are now sponsoring AB 58 to carry on Mr. Dini's request.

The bill has one major change in Section I, lines 4 and 5, where it eliminates counties over 100,000 and page 2, line 10 is a Legislative Counsel Bureau technical change.

There are over 500 signatures here gathered from the folks you will be hearing from next to explain this bill in detail.

Madam Chair, we have just discovered on page 2, line 6, we must delete the words "...for traffic traveling in one direction." We have this amendment in writing for the committee.

With your permission, Madam Chair, I would like to turn my time over to the experts who originally requested this change in the legislation, and I thank you for your support of this issue.