ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 239-ASSEMBLYMAN HARDY

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Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Revises certain provisions relating to transportation. (BDR 43-566)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: Yes.

EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to transportation; providing under certain circumstances for the examination of a holder of a driver's license; authorizing the Department of Motor Vehicles to establish a program to imprint certain indicators of a medical condition on a driver's license or identification card; requiring the Department to send a notice of suspension of registration to certain owners of motor vehicles; transferring the authority to provide for benches and shelters for passengers of public mass transportation from local governments to the regional transportation commission in certain larger counties; requiring the regional transportation commission to establish an advisory committee to provide information and advice to the regional transportation commission concerning the construction and maintenance of those benches and shelters; revising certain provisions relating to the licensure of authorized inspection stations; 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 483 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2, 3 and 4 of this act.

- Sec. 2. 1. A person who is 18 years of age or older may file with the Department a report requesting that the Department examine a licensee who:
- (a) Is related to the person filing the report within the third degree of consanguinity or who is the spouse of the person filing the report; and
- 9 (b) The person filing the report reasonably and in good faith believes cannot safely operate a motor vehicle.
 - 2. The report described in subsection 1 must:

- (a) Include the name, relationship, address, telephone number and signature of the person filing the report.
- (b) State the person's basis for believing that the licensee cannot safely operate a motor vehicle, which basis must be:
- (1) Personal observation or physical evidence of a physical or medical condition that has the potential to impair the ability of the licensee to operate a motor vehicle, corroborated by an affidavit from a physician in which the physician concurs that the licensee should be examined to determine the licensee's ability to safely operate a motor vehicle;
- (2) Personal knowledge that the driving record of the licensee indicates the unsafe operation of a motor vehicle, corroborated by an affidavit from a physician in which the physician concurs that the licensee should be examined to determine the licensee's ability to safely operate a motor vehicle; or
 - (3) An investigation by a law enforcement officer.
- (c) Be kept confidential, except that the report must be released upon request of the licensee or an order of a court of competent jurisdiction.
- 32 → No person may file more than one report concerning the same licensee within a 12-month period.
 - 3. The Director shall prescribe:
 - (a) A standard form to be used for the filing of a report pursuant to this section; and
- 37 (b) The procedure to be used for the filing of a report pursuant 38 to this section.
- Sec. 3. 1. If the Department receives a report filed pursuant to section 2 of this act, the Department shall, upon written notice to the licensee of at least 5 days, require the licensee to submit to all or part of the regular examination set forth in NRS 483.330.



Upon conclusion of the examination, the Department shall take action as it deems appropriate and may suspend or revoke the license of the person or allow him to retain the license, or may issue a license subject to restriction as described in NRS 483.360 or restrictions as to the type or class of vehicle that may be driven. Refusal or neglect on the part of the licensee to submit to the examination is grounds for suspension or revocation of his license.

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- 2. A person whose driver's license is restricted, suspended or revoked pursuant to this section may request a total or partial reinstatement of that license. An appropriate replacement license must be issued to the licensee upon his satisfactory completion of the requirements for reinstatement established by the Department pursuant to NRS 483.495.
- Sec. 4. 1. The Department may adopt regulations establishing a program for the imprinting of a symbol or other indicator of a medical condition on a driver's license or identification card issued by the Department.
- Regulations adopted pursuant to subsection 1 must require the symbol or other indicator of a medical condition which is imprinted on a driver's license or identification card to conform with the International Classification of Diseases, Ninth Revision, Clinical Modification, or the most current revision, adopted by the National Center for Health Statistics and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.
- The Department may apply for and accept any gift, grant, 26 27 appropriation or other donation to assist in carrying out a 28 program established pursuant to the provisions of this section. 29
 - **Sec. 5.** NRS 483.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 30 483.010 The provisions of NRS 483.010 to 483.630, inclusive, 31 and sections 2, 3 and 4 of this act may be cited as the Uniform 32 Motor Vehicle Drivers' License Act.
 - NRS 483.340 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 483.340 1. The Department shall, upon payment of the required fee, issue to every qualified applicant a driver's license indicating the type or class of vehicles the licensee may drive. The license must bear a unique number assigned to the licensee pursuant to NRS 483.345, the licensee's social security number, if he has one, unless he requests that it not appear on the license, the name, date of birth, mailing address and a brief description of the licensee, and a space upon which the licensee shall write his usual signature in ink immediately upon receipt of the license. A license is not valid until it has been so signed by the licensee.
 - The Department may issue a driver's license for purposes of identification only for use by officers of local police and sheriffs'



departments, agents of the Investigation Division of the Department of Public Safety while engaged in special undercover investigations relating to narcotics or prostitution or for other undercover investigations requiring the establishment of a fictitious identity, 5 federal agents while engaged in undercover investigations, investigators employed by the Attorney General while engaged in undercover investigations and agents of the State Gaming Control 7 Board while engaged in investigations pursuant to NRS 463.140. An application for such a license must be made through the head of the 10 police or sheriff's department, the Chief of the Investigation Division of the Department of Public Safety, the director of the 11 appropriate federal agency, the Attorney General or the Chairman of 12 13 the State Gaming Control Board. Such a license is exempt from the 14 fees required by NRS 483.410. The Department, by regulation, shall 15 provide for the cancellation of any such driver's license upon the 16 completion of the special investigation for which it was issued. 17

3. Information pertaining to the issuance of a driver's license pursuant to subsection 2 is confidential.

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- 4. It is unlawful for any person to use a driver's license issued pursuant to subsection 2 for any purpose other than the special investigation for which it was issued.
- 5. At the time of the issuance or renewal of the driver's license, the Department shall:
- (a) Give the holder the opportunity to have indicated on his driver's license that he wishes to be a donor of all or part of his body pursuant to NRS 451.500 to 451.590, inclusive, or to refuse to make an anatomical gift of his body or part of his body;
- (b) Give the holder the opportunity to have indicated whether he wishes to donate \$1 or more to the Anatomical Gift Account created by NRS 460.150; [and]
- (c) Provide to each holder who is interested in becoming a donor information relating to anatomical gifts, including the procedure for registration as a donor with The Living Bank International or its successor organization [...]; and
- (d) If the Department has established a program for imprinting a symbol or other indicator of a medical condition on a driver's license pursuant section 4 of this act, give the holder the opportunity to have a symbol or other indicator of a medical condition imprinted on his driver's license.
- 6. If the holder wishes to make a donation to the Anatomical Gift Account, the Department shall collect the donation and deposit the money collected in the State Treasury for credit to the Anatomical Gift Account.
- 7. The Department shall submit to The Living Bank International, or its successor organization, information from the



records of the Department relating to persons who have drivers' licenses that indicate the intention of those persons to make an anatomical gift. The Department shall adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of this subsection.

Sec. 7. NRS 483.410 is hereby amended to read as follows:

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483.410 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, for every driver's license, including a motorcycle driver's license, issued and service performed, the following fees must be charged:

10 A license issued to a person 65 years of age or older \$14 11 12 13 Reinstatement of a license after suspension, revocation 14 or cancellation, except a revocation for a violation 15 of NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 or pursuant to NRS 16 Reinstatement of a license after revocation for a 17 violation of NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 or pursuant 18 19 20

A new photograph, change of name, change of other information, except address, or any combination 5

2. For every motorcycle endorsement to a driver's license, a fee of \$5 must be charged.

- 3. If no other change is requested or required, the Department shall not charge a fee to convert the number of a license from the licensee's social security number, or a number that was formulated by using the licensee's social security number as a basis for the number, to a unique number that is not based on the licensee's social security number.
- The increase in fees authorized by NRS 483.347 and the fees charged pursuant to NRS 483.383 and 483.415 must be paid in addition to the fees charged pursuant to subsections 1 and 2.
 - A penalty of \$10 must be paid by each person renewing his license after it has expired for a period of 30 days or more as provided in NRS 483.386 unless he is exempt pursuant to that section.
- 39 The Department may not charge a fee for the reinstatement 6. of a driver's license that has been: 40 41
 - (a) Voluntarily surrendered for medical reasons; or
 - (b) Cancelled pursuant to NRS 483.310.
 - All fees and penalties are payable to the Administrator at the time a license or a renewal license is issued.



- 8. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 483.340, 483.415 and 483.840, *or subsection 5 of section 4 of this act*, all money collected by the Department pursuant to this chapter must be deposited in the State Treasury for credit to the Motor Vehicle Fund.
 - **Sec. 8.** NRS 483.840 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 483.840 1. The form of the identification cards must be similar to that of drivers' licenses but distinguishable in color or otherwise.
- 2. Identification cards do not authorize the operation of any motor vehicles.
 - 3. Identification cards must include the following information concerning the holder:
 - (a) The name and sample signature of the holder.
- 14 (b) A unique identification number assigned to the holder that is 15 not based on the holder's social security number.
 - (c) A personal description of the holder.
 - (d) The date of birth of the holder.

- (e) The current address of the holder in this State.
- (f) A colored photograph of the holder.
- 4. The information required to be included on the identification card pursuant to subsection 3 must be placed on the card in the manner specified in subsection 1 of NRS 483.347.
- 5. At the time of the issuance or renewal of the identification card, the Department shall:
- (a) Give the holder the opportunity to have indicated on his identification card that he wishes to be a donor of all or part of his body pursuant to NRS 451.500 to 451.590, inclusive, or to refuse to make an anatomical gift of his body or part of his body;
- (b) Give the holder the opportunity to indicate whether he wishes to donate \$1 or more to the Anatomical Gift Account created by NRS 460.150; [and]
- (c) Provide to each holder who is interested in becoming a donor information relating to anatomical gifts, including the procedure for registration as a donor with The Living Bank International or its successor organization : ; and
- (d) If the Department has established a program for imprinting a symbol or other indicator of a medical condition on an identification card pursuant section 4 of this act, give the holder the opportunity to have a symbol or other indicator of a medical condition imprinted on his identification card.
- 6. If the holder wishes to make a donation to the Anatomical Gift Account, the Department shall collect the donation and deposit the money collected in the State Treasury for credit to the Anatomical Gift Account.



7. The Department shall submit to The Living Bank International, or its successor organization, information from the records of the Department relating to persons who have identification cards issued by the Department that indicate the intention of those persons to make an anatomical gift. The Department shall adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of this subsection.

- 8 8. As used in this section, "photograph" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 483.125.
 - **Sec. 9.** NRS 484.287 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 484.287 1. It is unlawful for any person to place, maintain or display upon or in view of any highway any unauthorized sign, signal, marking or device which purports to be or is an imitation of or resembles an official traffic-control device or railroad sign or signal, or which attempts to direct the movement of traffic, or which hides from view or interferes with the effectiveness of any such device, sign or signal, and except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, a person shall not place or maintain nor may any public authority permit upon any highway any sign, signal or marking bearing thereon any commercial advertising except on benches and shelters for passengers of public mass transportation for which a franchise has been granted pursuant to NRS 244.187 and 244.188, 268.081 and 268.083, 269.128 and 269.129, or section 15 of this act, or on monorail stations.
 - 2. Every such prohibited sign, signal or marking is hereby declared to be a public nuisance, and the proper public authority may remove the same or cause it to be removed without notice.
 - 3. This section does not prohibit the erection upon private property adjacent to highways of signs giving useful directional information and of a type that cannot be mistaken for official trafficcontrol devices.
 - 4. A person may place and maintain commercial advertising in an airspace above a highway under the conditions specified pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 405.110, and a public authority may permit commercial advertising that has been placed in an airspace above a highway under the conditions specified pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 405.110.
 - 5. If a franchisee receives revenues from commercial advertising authorized by subsection 1 and the franchisee is obligated to repay a bond issued by the State of Nevada, the franchisee shall use all revenue generated by the advertising authorized by subsection 1 to meet its obligations to the State of Nevada as set forth in the financing agreement and bond indenture, including, without limitation, the payment of operations and maintenance obligations, the funding of reserves and the payment of



debt service. To the extent that any surplus revenue remains after the payment of all such obligations, the surplus revenue must be used solely to repay the bond until the bond is repaid.

6. As used in this section, "monorail station" means:

- (a) A structure for the loading and unloading of passengers from a monorail for which a franchise has been granted pursuant to NRS 705.695 or an agreement has been entered into pursuant to NRS 705.695; and
 - (b) Any facilities or appurtenances within such a structure.

Sec. 10. NRS 485.317 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 485.317 1. Subject to the limitations set forth in this subsection and subsection 2, the Department shall, at least monthly, compare the current registrations of motor vehicles to the information in the database created pursuant to NRS 485.313 to verify that each motor vehicle:
 - (a) Which is newly registered in this State; or
- (b) For which a policy of liability insurance has been issued, amended or terminated,
- ⇒ is covered by a policy of liability insurance as required by NRS 485.185. In identifying a motor vehicle for verification pursuant to this subsection, the Department may, if the motor vehicle was manufactured during or after 1981, use only the last eight digits of the vehicle identification number. In comparing the vehicle identification number of a motor vehicle to the vehicle identification number in a policy of liability insurance, to determine if the two vehicle identification numbers match, the Department may find that the two vehicle identification numbers match if no fewer than seven of the last eight digits of the two vehicle identification numbers match.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the Department may use any information to verify, pursuant to subsection 1, whether the motor vehicle is covered by a policy of liability insurance as required by NRS 485.185. The Department may not use the name of the owner of a motor vehicle as the primary means of verifying that a motor vehicle is covered by a policy of liability insurance.
- 3. If, pursuant to subsection 1, the Department determines that a motor vehicle is not covered by a policy of liability insurance as required by NRS 485.185, the Department shall send a form for verification by first-class mail to each registered owner that it determines has not maintained the insurance required by NRS 485.185. The owner shall complete the form with all the information which is requested by the Department, including whether he carries an owner's or operator's policy of liability insurance or a certificate of self-insurance, and return the completed form within 20 days



after the date on which the form was mailed by the Department. If the Department does not receive the completed form within 20 days after it mailed the form to the owner, the Department shall send to the owner a second form for verification notice of suspension of *registration* by certified mail. The **[owner shall complete the form** and return it notice must inform the owner that unless he submits a completed form to the Department within 15 days after the date on which fit the notice was sent by the Department his registration will be suspended pursuant to subsection 5. This subsection does 10 not prohibit an authorized agent of the owner from providing to the Department:

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- (a) The information requested by the Department pursuant to this subsection.
- (b) Additional information to amend or correct information already submitted to the Department pursuant to this subsection.
- When the Department receives a completed form for verification, it shall verify the information on the form.
- The Department shall suspend the registration and require the return to the Department of the license plates of any vehicle for which [:
- (a) Neither of the forms the form for verification set forth in subsection 3 is:
- (a) Not returned to the Department by the registered owner or his authorized agent within the period specified in that subsection;
- (b) Either of the forms for verification set forth in subsection 3 is returned Returned to the Department by the registered owner or his authorized agent and the Department is not able to verify the information on the form; or
- (c) Either of the forms for verification set forth in subsection 3 is returned Returned by the registered owner or his authorized agent with an admission of having no insurance or without indicating an insurer or the number of a motor vehicle liability policy or a certificate of self-insurance.
- 6. If the Department suspends a registration pursuant to subsection 5 because:
- (a) Neither the owner nor his authorized agent returned a form for verification within the specified period or the owner or his authorized agent returned a form for verification that was not completed sufficiently, and the owner or his authorized agent, thereafter:
- (1) Proves to the satisfaction of the Department that there was a justifiable cause for his failure to do so;
- (2) Submits a completed form regarding his insurance on the date stated in the form mailed by the Department pursuant to subsection 3; and



- (3) Presents evidence of current insurance; or
- (b) The owner or his authorized agent submitted to the Department a form for verification containing information that the Department was unable to verify and, thereafter, the owner or his authorized agent presents to the Department:
- (1) A corrected form or otherwise verifiable evidence setting forth that the owner possessed insurance on the date stated in the form; and
 - (2) Evidence of current insurance,

- the Department shall rescind its suspension of the registration if it is able to verify the information on the form or the other evidence presented. The Department shall not charge a fee to reinstate a registration, the suspension of which was rescinded pursuant to this subsection. For the purposes of this subsection, "justifiable cause" may include, but is not limited to, the fact that the owner did not receive the form mailed by the Department pursuant to subsection 3.
- 7. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 8 and 9, if a registered owner whose registration is suspended pursuant to subsection 5, failed to have insurance on the date specified in the form for verification, the Department shall reinstate the registration of the vehicle and reissue the license plates only upon filing by the registered owner of evidence of current insurance and payment of the fee for reinstatement of registration prescribed in paragraph (a) of subsection 6 of NRS 482.480.
- 8. If a registered owner proves to the satisfaction of the Department that his vehicle was a dormant vehicle during the period in which the information provided pursuant to NRS 485.314 indicated that there was no insurance for the vehicle, the Department shall reinstate his registration and, if applicable, reissue his license plates. If such an owner of a dormant vehicle failed to cancel the registration for the vehicle in accordance with subsection 3 of NRS 485.320, the Department shall not reinstate his registration or reissue his license plates unless the owner pays the fee set forth in paragraph (b) of subsection 6 of NRS 482.480.
- 9. If the Department suspends the registration of a motor vehicle pursuant to subsection 5 because the registered owner of the motor vehicle failed to have insurance on the date specified in the form for verification, and if the registered owner, in accordance with regulations adopted by the Department, proves to the satisfaction of the Department that he was unable to comply with the provisions of NRS 485.185 on that date because of extenuating circumstances, the Department may:
- (a) Reinstate the registration of the motor vehicle and reissue the license plates upon payment by the registered owner of a fee of \$50,



which must be deposited in the Account for Verification of Insurance created by subsection 6 of NRS 482.480; or

- 3 (b) Rescind the suspension of the registration without the 4 payment of a fee.
 - The Department shall adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of this subsection.
 - 10. For the purposes of verification of insurance by the Department pursuant to this section, a motor vehicle shall be deemed to be covered by liability insurance unless the motor vehicle is without coverage for a period of more than 7 days.
 - **Sec. 11.** NRS 244.187 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 244.187 A board of county commissioners may, to provide adequate, economical and efficient services to the inhabitants of the county and to promote the general welfare of those inhabitants, displace or limit competition in any of the following areas:
 - 1. Ambulance service.

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- 2. Taxicabs and other public transportation, unless regulated in that county by an agency of the State.
 - 3. Collection and disposal of garbage and other waste.
- 4. Operations at an airport, including but not limited to the leasing of motor vehicles and the licensing of concession stands, but excluding police protection and fire protection.
 - 5. Water and sewage treatment, unless regulated in that county by an agency of the State.
 - 6. Concessions on, over or under property owned or leased by the county.
 - 7. Operation of landfills.
- 8. [Construction] Except as otherwise provided in section 15 of this act, construction and maintenance of benches and shelters for passengers of public mass transportation.
 - **Sec. 12.** NRS 268.081 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 268.081 The governing body of an incorporated city may, to provide adequate, economical and efficient services to the inhabitants of the city and to promote the general welfare of those inhabitants, displace or limit competition in any of the following areas:
 - 1. Ambulance service.
 - 2. Taxicabs and other public transportation, unless regulated in that city by an agency of the State.
 - 3. Collection and disposal of garbage and other waste.
 - 4. Operations at an airport, including, but not limited to, the leasing of motor vehicles and the licensing of concession stands, but excluding police protection and fire protection.
- 5. Water and sewage treatment, unless regulated in that city by an agency of the State.



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- 9. Inspection required by any city ordinance otherwise 5 6 authorized by law.
 - 10. [Construction] Except as otherwise provided in section 15 of this act, construction and maintenance of benches and shelters for passengers of public mass transportation.
- 11. Any other service demanded by the inhabitants of the city 10 which the city itself is otherwise authorized by law to provide. 11
 - **Sec. 13.** NRS 269.128 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 269.128 A town board or board of county commissioners may, to provide adequate, economical and efficient services to the inhabitants of the town and to promote the general welfare of those inhabitants, displace or limit competition in any of the following areas:
 - 1. Ambulance service.
 - Taxicabs and other public transportation, unless regulated in that town by an agency of the State.
 - Collection and disposal of garbage and other waste.
- Operations at an airport, including, but not limited to, the 4. leasing of motor vehicles and the licensing of concession stands, but 23 excluding police protection and fire protection. 24
 - Water and sewage treatment, unless regulated in that town by an agency of the State.
 - Concessions on, over or under property owned or leased by the town.
 - 7. Operation of landfills.
- [Construction] Except as otherwise provided in section 15 30 of this act, construction and maintenance of benches and shelters 31 32 for passengers of public mass transportation.
- Sec. 14. Chapter 373 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 15 and 16 of this act. 34
 - Sec. 15. In a county whose population is 400,000 or more:
 - 1. The commission shall provide for the construction and maintenance of benches and shelters for passengers of public mass transportation.
 - 2. In carrying out its duties pursuant to subsection 1, the commission may displace or limit competition in the construction and maintenance of such benches and shelters. The commission
 - (a) Provide those services on an exclusive basis or adopt a regulatory scheme for controlling the provision of those services; or



(b) Grant an exclusive franchise to any person to provide those services.

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- 3. The commission shall post on each bench, and within each shelter, a notice that provides a telephone number that a person may use to report damage to the bench or shelter.
- 4. No board of county commissioners, governing body of an incorporated city or town board may provide for the construction or maintenance of benches and shelters for passengers of public mass transportation.
- Sec. 16. 1. In a county whose population is 400,000 or more, the commission shall establish an advisory committee to provide information and advice to the commission concerning the construction and maintenance of benches and shelters for passengers of public mass transportation in the county. The membership of the advisory committee must consist of:
- (a) Two members of the general public from each city within the county who are appointed by the governing body of that city; and
- (b) Six members of the general public appointed by the commission.
- 2. Each member of the advisory committee serves a term of 1 year. A member may be reappointed for additional terms of 1 year in the same manner as the original appointment.
- 3. A vacancy occurring in the membership of the advisory committee must be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.
- 27 The advisory committee shall meet at least six times 4. 28 annually.
- 5. At its first meeting and annually thereafter, the advisory 30 committee shall elect a chairman and vice chairman from among its members.
- 6. Each member of the advisory committee serves without 33 compensation and is not entitled to receive a per diem allowance or travel expenses. 34
 - **Sec. 17.** NRS 405.030 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 405.030 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3 and except within the limits of any city or town through which the highway may run, and on benches and shelters for passengers of public mass transportation built pursuant to a franchise granted pursuant to NRS 244.187 and 244.188, 268.081 and 268.083, 269.128 and 269.129, or section 15 of this act, or on monorail stations, it is unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to paste, paint, print or in any manner whatever place or attach to any
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 - building, fence, gate, bridge, rock, tree, board, structure or anything



whatever, any written, printed, painted or other outdoor advertisement, bill, notice, sign, picture, card or poster:

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- (a) Within any right-of-way of any state highway or road which is owned or controlled by the Department of Transportation.
- (b) Within 20 feet of the main-traveled way of any unimproved highway.
- (c) On the property of another within view of any such highway, without the owner's written consent.
- Nothing in this section prevents the posting or maintaining of any notices required by law to be posted or maintained, or the placing or maintaining of highway signs giving directions and distances for the information of the traveling public if the signs are approved by the Department of Transportation.
- 3. A tenant of a mobile home park may exhibit a political sign within a right-of-way of a state highway or road which is owned or controlled by the Department of Transportation if the tenant exhibits the sign within the boundary of his lot and in accordance with the requirements and limitations set forth in NRS 118B.145. As used in this subsection, the term "political sign" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 118B.145.
- 4. If a franchisee receives revenues from an advertisement, bill, notice, sign, picture, card or poster authorized by subsection 1 and the franchisee is obligated to repay a bond issued by the State of Nevada, the franchisee shall use all revenue generated by the advertisement, bill, notice, sign, picture, card or poster authorized by subsection 1 to meet its obligations to the State of Nevada as set forth in the financing agreement and bond indenture, including, without limitation, the payment of operations and maintenance obligations, the funding of reserves and the payment of debt service. To the extent that any surplus revenue remains after the payment of all such obligations, the surplus revenue must be used solely to repay the bond until the bond is repaid.
 - 5. As used in this section, "monorail station" means:
- (a) A structure for the loading and unloading of passengers from a monorail for which a franchise has been granted pursuant to NRS 705.695 or an agreement has been entered into pursuant to NRS 705.695; and
 - (b) Any facilities or appurtenances within such a structure.
 - **Sec. 18.** NRS 405.110 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 405.110 Except on benches and shelters for passengers of 1. public mass transportation for which a franchise has been granted pursuant to NRS 244.187 and 244.188, 268.081 and 268.083, 269.128 and 269.129, or section 15 of this act, or on monorail
- 43 44 stations, no advertising signs, signboards, boards or other materials
- 45 containing advertising matter may:



(a) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, be placed upon or over any state highway.

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- (b) Except as otherwise provided in subsections 3 and 4, be placed within the highway right-of-way.
- (c) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, be placed upon any bridge or other structure thereon.
- (d) Be so situated with respect to any public highway as to obstruct clear vision of an intersecting highway or highways or otherwise so situated as to constitute a hazard upon or prevent the safe use of the state highway.
- 2. With the permission of the Department of Transportation, counties, towns or cities of this State may place at such points as are designated by the Director of the Department of Transportation suitable signboards advertising the counties, towns or municipalities.
- 3. A person may place an advertising sign, signboard, board or other material containing advertising matter in any airspace above a highway if:
- (a) The Department of Transportation has leased the airspace to the person pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 408.507, the airspace is over an interstate highway and:
- (1) The purpose of the sign, signboard, board or other material is to identify a commercial establishment that is entirely located within the airspace, services rendered, or goods produced or sold upon the commercial establishment or that the facility or property that is located within the airspace is for sale or lease; and
- (2) The size, location and design of the sign, signboard, board or other material and the quantity of signs, signboards, boards or other materials have been approved by the Department of Transportation; or
- (b) The person owns real property adjacent to an interstate highway and:
- (1) The person has dedicated to a public authority a fee or perpetual easement interest in at least 1 acre of the property for the construction or maintenance, or both, of the highway over which he is placing the sign, signboard, board or other material and the person retained the air rights in the airspace above the property for which the person has dedicated the interest;
- (2) The sign, signboard, board or other material is located in the airspace for which the person retained the air rights;
- (3) The structure that supports the sign, signboard, board or other material is not located on the property for which the person dedicated the fee or easement interest to the public authority, and the public authority determines that the location of the structure does not create a traffic hazard; and



(4) The purpose of the sign, signboard, board or other material is to identify an establishment or activity that is located on the real property adjacent to the interstate highway, or services rendered or goods provided or sold on that property.

- 4. A tenant of a mobile home park may exhibit a political sign within a right-of-way of a state highway or road which is owned or controlled by the Department of Transportation if the tenant exhibits the sign within the boundary of his lot and in accordance with the requirements and limitations set forth in NRS 118B.145. As used in this subsection, the term "political sign" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 118B.145.
- 5. If any such sign is placed in violation of this section, it is thereby declared a public nuisance and may be removed forthwith by the Department of Transportation or the public authority.
- 6. Any person placing any such sign in violation of the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$250, and is also liable in damages for any injury or injuries incurred or for injury to or loss of property sustained by any person by reason of the violation.
- 7. If a franchisee receives revenues from an advertising sign, signboard, board or other material containing advertising matter authorized by subsection 1 and the franchisee is obligated to repay a bond issued by the State of Nevada, the franchisee shall use all revenue generated by the advertising sign, signboard, board or other material containing advertising matter authorized by subsection 1 to meet its obligations to the State of Nevada as set forth in the financing agreement and bond indenture, including, without limitation, the payment of operations and maintenance obligations, the funding of reserves and the payment of debt service. To the extent that any surplus revenue remains after the payment of all such obligations, the surplus revenue must be used solely to repay the bond until the bond is repaid.
 - 8. As used in this section, "monorail station" means:
- (a) A structure for the loading and unloading of passengers from a monorail for which a franchise has been granted pursuant to NRS 705.695 or an agreement has been entered into pursuant to NRS 705.695; and
 - (b) Any facilities or appurtenances within such a structure.
- **Sec. 19.** NRS 445B.775 is hereby amended to read as follows: 445B.775 The regulations adopted pursuant to NRS 445B.770 must establish requirements by which the Department of Motor Vehicles may license:
- 1. Authorized inspection stations, including criteria by which any person may become qualified to inspect devices for the control of emissions for motor vehicles. *The regulations adopted pursuant*



- to NRS 445B.770 must provide that a facility licensed as an authorized inspection station:
- (a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b), may not, unless specifically authorized by the Commission, install, repair, diagnose or adjust any component or system of a motor vehicle that affects exhaust emissions.
- (b) May perform the following activities in connection with a motor vehicle:
 - (1) The changing of oil;

- 10 (2) The replacing of an oil filter, air filter, fuel filter, belt or 11 hose; and
 - (3) The servicing of a fuel injection system using methods approved by the Division of Environmental Protection of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.
 - 2. Authorized maintenance stations, including criteria by which any person may become qualified to install, repair and adjust devices for the control of emissions for motor vehicles.
 - 3. Authorized stations, including criteria by which any person may become qualified to inspect, repair, adjust and install devices for the control of emissions for motor vehicles.
 - **Sec. 20.** NRS 445B.785 is hereby amended to read as follows: 445B.785 1. The Department of Motor Vehicles shall adopt regulations which:
 - (a) Prescribe requirements for licensing authorized inspection stations, authorized maintenance stations, authorized stations and fleet stations. The regulations adopted by the Department of Motor Vehicles pursuant to this paragraph must provide that a facility licensed as an authorized inspection station:
 - (1) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (2), may not, unless specifically authorized by the Commission, install, repair, diagnose or adjust any component or system of a motor vehicle that affects exhaust emissions.
 - (2) May perform the following activities in connection with a motor vehicle:
 - (I) The changing of oil;
 - (II) The replacing of an oil filter, air filter, fuel filter, belt or hose; and
 - (III) The servicing of a fuel injection system using methods approved by the Division of Environmental Protection of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.
 - (b) Prescribe the manner in which authorized inspection stations, authorized stations and fleet stations inspect motor vehicles and issue evidence of compliance.
 - (c) Prescribe the diagnostic equipment necessary to perform the required inspection. The regulations must ensure that the equipment



complies with any applicable standards of the United States Environmental Protection Agency.

- (d) Provide for any fee, bond or insurance which is necessary to carry out the provisions of NRS 445B.700 to 445B.815, inclusive.
- (e) Provide for the issuance of a pamphlet for distribution to owners of motor vehicles. The pamphlet must contain information explaining the reasons for and the methods of the inspections.
- 2. The Department of Motor Vehicles shall issue a copy of the regulations to each authorized inspection station, authorized maintenance station, authorized station and fleet station.
- **Sec. 21.** On July 1, 2005, any contract for the construction and maintenance of benches and shelters for passengers of public mass transportation, or for an exclusive franchise to provide such services, entered into by a local government in a county whose population is 400,000 or more shall be deemed to be a contract with the regional transportation commission for that county. All rights and obligations of the local government on that date under such a contract become the rights and obligations of the regional transportation commission.
- **Sec. 22.** 1. The regional transportation commission for a county whose population is 400,000 or more shall, in accordance with section 15 of this act, provide for the construction of at least a total of 20 benches or shelters, or any combination thereof, for passengers of public mass transportation during each fiscal year of the 2005-2007 biennium.
- 2. In providing for the construction of benches and shelters pursuant to subsection 1, the regional transportation commission shall, to the extent practicable, give priority to the construction of benches and shelters along fixed bus routes where the period of waiting between buses is 45 minutes or more.
- 3. On or before January 1, 2007, the regional transportation commission shall:
 - (a) Prepare a report that:

- (1) Identifies the locations of the benches and shelters for passengers of public mass transportation that were constructed pursuant to subsection 1 during the 2005-2007 biennium;
- (2) Describe the activities and plans of the regional transportation commission relating to future construction of benches and shelters for passengers of public mass transportation;
- (3) Describe the activities and plans of the regional transportation commission relating to the maintenance of the benches and shelters, including, without limitation, any renegotiation of existing contracts for the construction and maintenance of benches and shelters for passengers of public mass transportation; and



(4) Describe the activities of any advisory committees created by the regional transportation commission, and of the advisory committee established pursuant to section 16 of this act, relating to the construction and maintenance of benches and shelters for passengers of public mass transportation.

(b) Submit the report prepared pursuant to paragraph (a) to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the

74th Session of the Legislature.

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11 12 **Sec. 23.** 1. This section and sections 9, 11 to 18, inclusive, 21 and 22 of this act become effective on July 1, 2005.

2. Sections 1, 2, 3, 5, 10, 19 and 20 of this act become effective on October 1, 2005.

3. Sections 4, 6, 7 and 8 of this act become effective on July 1, 2006.



