

SENATE BILL NO. 141—COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION
AND HOMELAND SECURITY

(ON BEHALF OF THE NEVADA DISTRICT
ATTORNEY'S ASSOCIATION)

FEBRUARY 25, 2005

Referred to Committee on Transportation and Homeland Security

SUMMARY—Increases term of imprisonment under certain circumstances for driver of vehicle who leaves scene of accident involving bodily injury to or death of person. (BDR 43-362)

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 traffic laws; increasing the term of imprisonment under certain circumstances for a driver of a vehicle who leaves the scene of an accident involving bodily injury to or the death of a person; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Existing law requires a driver of a vehicle involved in an accident resulting in
2 bodily injury to or the death of a person to immediately stop his vehicle at the scene
3 of the accident. A person who fails to comply with this requirement is guilty of a
4 category B felony and must be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for a
5 minimum term of not less than 2 years and a maximum term of not more than 15
6 years and by a fine of not less than \$2,000 or more than \$5,000. (NRS 484.219)

7 This bill increases the minimum term of imprisonment to 4 years for such a
8 crime when the accident results in bodily injury to or the death of two persons. This
9 bill also increases the minimum term of imprisonment for such a crime to 6 years
10 and the maximum term of imprisonment to 20 years when the accident involves
11 bodily injury to or the death of three or more persons.



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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** NRS 484.219 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2 484.219 1. The driver of any vehicle involved in an accident
3 on a highway or on premises to which the public has access
4 resulting in bodily injury to or the death of a person shall
5 immediately stop his vehicle at the scene of the accident or as close
6 thereto as possible, and shall forthwith return to and in every event
7 shall remain at the scene of the accident until he has fulfilled the
8 requirements of NRS 484.223.

9 2. Every such stop must be made without obstructing traffic
10 more than is necessary.

11 3. A person failing to comply with the provisions of subsection
12 1 is guilty of a category B felony and shall be punished :

13 (a) *For an accident resulting in bodily injury to or the death of
one person*, by imprisonment in the state prison for a minimum term
14 of not less than 2 years and a maximum term of not more than 15
15 years and by a fine of not less than \$2,000 ~~and~~ or more than
16 \$5,000.

17 (b) *For an accident resulting in bodily injury to or the death of
two persons, by imprisonment in the state prison for a minimum
term of not less than 4 years and a maximum term of not more
than 15 years and by a fine of not less than \$2,000 or more than
\$5,000.*

18 (c) *For an accident resulting in bodily injury to or the death of
three or more persons, by imprisonment in the state prison for a
minimum term of not less than 6 years and a maximum term of
not more than 20 years and by a fine of not less than \$2,000 or
more than \$5,000.*

