

SENATE BILL NO. 468—COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION
AND HOMELAND SECURITY

(ON BEHALF OF THE NEVADA HIGHWAY PATROL DIVISION)

MARCH 29, 2005

Referred to Committee on Transportation and Homeland Security

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to mounting of flashing
amber warning lights on certain vehicles.
(BDR 43-403)

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 motor vehicles; revising provisions relating to
mounting of flashing amber warning lights on certain
vehicles; 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 484.579 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 484.579 1. ~~It~~ *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2,*
3 *it* is unlawful to operate or display a flashing amber warning light on
4 a vehicle except when an unusual traffic hazard exists or as
5 authorized in NRS ~~484.469 or~~ 484.582. ~~{This subsection does}~~
6 2. *The provisions of subsection 1 do* not prohibit the use of
7 amber lights in electric signals for making turns.
8 ~~{2-}~~ 3. It is unlawful for any person to mount flashing amber
9 warning lights permanently on a vehicle without a permit from the
10 Nevada Highway Patrol.
11 ~~{3-}~~ 4. The Nevada Highway Patrol, upon written application,
12 shall issue a permit to mount a flashing amber light on:
13 (a) Vehicles of public utilities.
14 (b) Trucks for towing vehicles.



(c) Vehicles engaged in activities which create a public hazard upon the streets or highways.

(d) Vehicles of coroners and their deputies.

(e) Vehicles of Civil Air Patrol rescue units.

(f) Vehicles of authorized sheriffs' jeep squadrons.

(g) Vehicles which escort funeral processions ~~to~~, *as provided in NRS 484.469.*

(h) Vehicles operated by vendors of food or beverages, as provided in NRS 484.582.

~~4. Those permits expire on June 30 of each calendar year.~~

5. *A permit issued pursuant to this section is valid for 1 year from the last day of the month in which it was issued and may be renewed annually thereafter.*

6. The Nevada Highway Patrol shall ~~charge and collect the following fees~~ *adopt regulations establishing the fees to be charged and collected* for the issuance *and renewal* of a permit ~~for the mounting of~~ *to mount* a flashing amber light . ~~to~~

~~—(a) Permit for a single vehicle \$2~~

~~—(b) Blanket permit for more than 5 but less than 15 vehicles... 12~~

~~—(c) Blanket permit for 15 vehicles or more 24~~

~~6.~~ *The fees must be set at a reasonable amount that covers the cost of administering this section.*

7. Subsections 1 and 2 do not apply to an agency of any state or political subdivision thereof, or to an agency of the Federal Government.

~~7.~~ 8. All fees collected by the Nevada Highway Patrol pursuant to this section must be deposited with the State Treasurer for credit to the ~~Motor Vehicle~~ *State Highway* Fund.

