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ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 107—ASSEMBLYMAN ATKINSON (BY REQUEST)

FEBRUARY 14, 2007

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

**SUMMARY**—Revises the provisions governing the possession of weapons at certain locations. (BDR 15-764)

**FISCAL NOTE:** Effect on Local Government: Increases or Newly Provides for Term of Imprisonment in County or City Jail or Detention Facility.  
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.

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AN ACT relating to weapons; prohibiting the possession of a dangerous knife on the property of a school, at an activity sponsored by a school or in a school vehicle; prohibiting the possession of certain weapons at an activity sponsored by a school; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

1 Existing law prohibits the possession of certain weapons on the property of the  
2 Nevada System of Higher Education or a private or public school or while in a  
3 vehicle of a private or public school. (NRS 202.265) A person who possesses a  
4 prohibited weapon is guilty of a gross misdemeanor. Additionally, a person who  
5 commits a gross misdemeanor on the property of a private or public school, at an  
6 activity sponsored by a private or public school, on a school bus or at a bus stop  
7 must be punished by imprisonment in the county jail for not fewer than 15 days and  
8 may be punished by a fine of not more than \$2,000. (NRS 193.1605)  
9 This bill adds a “dangerous knife” to the list of prohibited weapons and  
10 provides that a person must not carry or possess a prohibited weapon at an activity  
11 sponsored by a private or public school.

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

1       **Section 1.** NRS 202.265 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
2       202.265 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, a  
3 person shall not carry or possess, while on the property of the  
4 Nevada System of Higher Education or a private or public school ,  
5 *at an activity sponsored by a private or public school* or while in a  
6 vehicle of a private or public school:

- 7       (a) An explosive or incendiary device;  
8       (b) A dirk, dagger , ~~(b)~~ switchblade knife ~~(b)~~ *or dangerous*  
9 *knife*;  
10       (c) A nunchaku or trefoil;  
11       (d) A blackjack or billy club or metal knuckles; or  
12       (e) A pistol, revolver or other firearm.

13       2. Any person who violates subsection 1 is guilty of a gross  
14 misdemeanor.

15       3. This section does not prohibit the possession of a weapon  
16 listed in subsection 1 on the property of a private or public school by  
17 a:

- 18       (a) Peace officer;  
19       (b) School security guard; or  
20       (c) Person having written permission from the president of a  
21 branch or facility of the Nevada System of Higher Education or the  
22 principal of the school to carry or possess the weapon.

23       4. For the purposes of this section:

24       (a) *“Dangerous knife” means a knife having a blade that is 2*  
25 *inches or more in length when measured from the tip of the knife*  
26 *which is customarily sharpened to the unsharpened extension of*  
27 *the blade which forms the hinge connecting the blade to the*  
28 *handle.*

29       (b) “Firearm” includes:

30       (1) Any device used to mark the clothing of a person with  
31 paint or any other substance; and

32       (2) Any device from which a metallic projectile, including  
33 any ball bearing or pellet, may be expelled by means of spring, gas,  
34 air or other force.

35       ~~(b)~~ (c) “Nunchaku” has the meaning ascribed to it in  
36 NRS 202.350.

37       ~~(e)~~ (d) “Switchblade knife” has the meaning ascribed to it in  
38 NRS 202.350.

39       ~~(d)~~ (e) “Trefoil” has the meaning ascribed to it in  
40 NRS 202.350.

41       ~~(e)~~ (f) “Vehicle” has the meaning ascribed to “school bus” in  
42 NRS 484.148.



1     **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2007.

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