

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 118—ASSEMBLYMEN DENIS, CONKLIN,
ANDERSON, CLABORN, HARDY, HORNE, KIHUEN,
KIRKPATRICK, MANENDO, MORTENSON, PIERCE,
SEGERBLOM, SMITH AND WOMACK

FEBRUARY 15, 2007

JOINT SPONSORS: SENATORS BEERS AND HARDY

Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Requires the Department of Transportation and local governments to designate specific lanes on certain highways on which certain larger vehicles must travel. (BDR 43-762)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.
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 motor vehicles; requiring the designation of specific lanes on certain highways on which certain larger vehicles must travel; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

- 1 This bill requires the Department of Transportation and the governing body of a
- 2 local government to designate specific lanes on highways within their jurisdiction
- 3 that have three or more lanes for traffic traveling in one direction upon which
- 4 vehicles with a declared gross weight in excess of 26,000 pounds must travel.



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

Section 1. Chapter 484 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. *The Department of Transportation and the governing body of a local government shall:*

(a) *For each highway within its jurisdiction which has three or more lanes for traffic traveling in one direction, designate a specific lane or lanes on which vehicles with a declared gross weight in excess of 26,000 pounds must travel, unless the Department of Transportation or governing body determines that such a designation would not facilitate the safe and orderly movement of traffic; and*

(b) *Erect signs at reasonable intervals on the highway to give notice of those lanes.*

2. *Notwithstanding the designation of specific lanes for travel pursuant to subsection 1, the driver of a motor vehicle may drive in any lane if necessary:*

(a) *To prepare for a turn;*

(b) *To enter or exit a highway;*

(c) *To continue on the intended route; or*

(d) *To avoid a hazardous condition on the highway.*

3. *A person who violates the provisions of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.*

