
ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 89—ASSEMBLYMEN PARNELL, BOBZIEN,
HOGAN, KIRKPATRICK, PIERCE AND SMITH

FEBRUARY 12, 2007

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Revises provisions regarding industrial injuries and occupational diseases to include certain park rangers as police officers. (BDR 53-849)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: Contains Appropriation not included in Executive Budget.

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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 public employees; including certain park rangers and employees of the Division of State Parks of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources in the definition of “police officer” for various purposes relating to industrial injuries, occupational diseases and programs for public employees; making an appropriation; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

- 1 Existing law provides for certain police officers suffering from certain
 - 2 occupational diseases to receive disability benefits. (NRS 617.135, 617.455,
 - 3 617.457, 617.485, 617.487) Existing law also grants the powers of peace officers to
 - 4 certain park rangers and employees of the Division of State Parks of the State
 - 5 Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. (NRS 289.260) **Section 1** of
 - 6 this bill expands the definition of police officer to make those park rangers and
 - 7 division employees eligible for the disability benefits provided to police officers for
 - 8 certain occupational diseases. **Section 2** of this bill makes an appropriation to the
 - 9 Division for physical examinations for those park rangers and division employees.
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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** NRS 617.135 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 617.135 “Police officer” includes:

3 1. A sheriff, deputy sheriff, officer of a metropolitan police
4 department or city policeman;

5 2. A chief, inspector, supervisor, commercial officer or trooper
6 of the Nevada Highway Patrol Division of the Department of Public
7 Safety;

8 3. A chief, investigator or agent of the Investigation Division
9 of the Department of Public Safety;

10 4. An officer or investigator of the Section for the Control of
11 Emissions From Vehicles and the Enforcement of Matters Related
12 to the Use of Special Fuel of the Department of Motor Vehicles;

13 5. An investigator of the Division of Compliance Enforcement
14 of the Department of Motor Vehicles;

15 6. A member of the police department of the Nevada System of
16 Higher Education;

17 7. A:

18 (a) Uniformed employee of; or

19 (b) Forensic specialist employed by,

20 ➤ the Department of Corrections whose position requires regular
21 and frequent contact with the offenders imprisoned and subjects the
22 employee to recall in emergencies;

23 8. A parole and probation officer of the Division of Parole and
24 Probation of the Department of Public Safety;

25 9. A forensic specialist or correctional officer employed by the
26 Division of Mental Health and Developmental Services of the
27 Department of Health and Human Services at facilities for mentally
28 disordered offenders;

29 10. The State Fire Marshal, his assistant and his deputies; ~~and~~

30 11. A game warden of the Department of Wildlife who has the
31 powers of a peace officer pursuant to NRS 289.280 ~~1~~; and

32 ***12. A ranger or employee of the Division of State Parks of the***
33 ***State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources who has***
34 ***the powers of a peace officer pursuant to NRS 289.260.***

35 **Sec. 2.** 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State
36 General Fund to the Division of State Parks of the State Department
37 of Conservation and Natural Resources, for the physical
38 examinations required pursuant to NRS 617.454, 617.455, 617.457,
39 617.485 and 617.487 for rangers or employees of the Division who
40 are police officers pursuant to NRS 617.135 as amended by section
41 1 of this act:



1 For the Fiscal Year 2007-2008..... \$16,312
2 For the Fiscal Year 2008-2009..... \$16,312
3 2. Any balance of the sums appropriated by subsection 1 must
4 not be committed for expenditure after June 30 of the respective
5 fiscal years and must be reverted to the State General Fund on or
6 before September 19, 2008, and September 18, 2009, respectively.

