

SENATE BILL NO. 161—SENATORS COFFIN, TITUS, BEERS,
CEGAVSKE, MATHEWS, RAGGIO AND RHOADS

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Referred to Committee on Natural Resources

SUMMARY—Exempts hybrid electric vehicles, for a certain period, from the program for the control of emissions from motor vehicles. (BDR 40-252)

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 air pollution; exempting hybrid electric vehicles from the program for the control of emissions from motor vehicles until the model year of the vehicle is 6 years old; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Under existing law, the State Environmental Commission and the Department
2 of Motor Vehicles must conduct a program for the control of emissions from motor
3 vehicles in designated areas of a county whose population is 100,000 or more
4 (currently Clark and Washoe Counties). (NRS 445B.770; NAC 445B.593,
5 445B.594) In those areas, a motor vehicle which has been registered for not less
6 than 2 years may not be registered without evidence that the vehicle: (1) is
7 equipped with the pollution control devices required by state and federal law; and
8 (2) has passed an inspection to ensure that the devices are operating properly. (NRS
9 445B.800, 445B.815) Existing law further authorizes the Commission to exempt
10 designated classes of motor vehicles from the program for the control of emissions.
11 (NRS 445B.825) This bill exempts hybrid electric vehicles that are 5 years old or
12 less from the emissions program.

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

- 1 **Section 1.** (Deleted by amendment.)
2 **Sec. 2.** NRS 445B.825 is hereby amended to read as follows:
3 445B.825 1. The Commission may provide for exemption
4 from the provisions of NRS 445B.770 to 445B.815, inclusive, of



designated classes of motor vehicles, including , *without limitation*,
classes based upon the year of manufacture of motor vehicles.

2. *A hybrid electric vehicle, as defined in 40 C.F.R. § 86.1702-99, is exempt from the provisions of NRS 445B.770 to 445B.815, inclusive, until the model year of the vehicle is 6 years old.*

3. The Commission shall provide for a waiver from the provisions of NRS 445B.770 to 445B.815, inclusive, if compliance involves repair and equipment costs which exceed the limits established by the Commission. The Commission shall establish the limits in a manner which avoids unnecessary financial hardship to motor vehicle owners.

Sec. 3. (Deleted by amendment.)

