

SENATE BILL NO. 272—SENATOR RHOADS

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Referred to Committee on Natural Resources

**SUMMARY**—Revises provisions governing awarding of costs and attorney's fees in certain actions involving rights to graze or water livestock. (BDR 50-370)

**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.

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AN ACT relating to livestock grazing; providing for costs and reasonable attorney's fees in equitable actions regarding rights to graze or water livestock on public lands; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

1     This bill provides for a mandatory award of costs and reasonable attorney's  
2     fees to the prevailing party in any action in which a party seeks declaratory,  
3     injunctive or other equitable relief with regard to the rights of another person to  
4     graze or water livestock on public lands.

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

1     **Section 1.** Chapter 568 of NRS is hereby amended by adding  
2     thereto a new section to read as follows:

3        *In any action in which a party seeks declaratory, injunctive or  
4        other equitable relief with regard to the rights of another person to  
5        graze or water livestock on public lands, the court shall award the  
6        prevailing party in the action costs and reasonable attorney's fees.*

7     **Sec. 2.** This act applies to any action that is pending or accrues  
8     on or after the effective date of this act.

9     **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

