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Office of the Governor

May 31, 2007

The Honorable Barbara Buckley Speaker of the Assembly Legislative Building 401 South Carson Street Carson City, NV 89701

RE: Return of Vetoed Bill

Dear Speaker Buckley,

I am returning Assembly Bill 230 to the 74th Session of the Nevada Legislature accompanied by my letter of objection.

Sincerely,

JIM GIBBONS

Governor

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Enclosure



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RE: Assembly Bill 230 of the 74th Legislative Session

Dear Speaker Buckley,

I am herewith forwarding to you, for filing within the constitutional time limit and without my approval, Assembly Bill 230, which is entitled:

AN ACT relating to justice courts; expanding the jurisdiction of justice courts in criminal cases in which an arrest was made by a field agent or an inspector of the State Department of Agriculture; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

This bill would expand the jurisdiction of justice courts with respect to arrests made by field agents and inspectors of the Department of Agriculture. Such jurisdiction would be equivalent to the jurisdiction granted to arrests made by the Nevada Highway Patrol. There is simply no compelling need to put arrests by the Department of Agriculture on an equivalent jurisdictional level as arrests made by the Nevada Highway Patrol. This bill would allow officers of the Department of Agriculture to choose the county where prosecutions would occur, even if that county is not the county where the violation occurred. For purposes of arrests made by the Department of Agriculture, the justice court in the county where the arrest was made should be able to adequately process that arrest through its own judicial system.

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For all of these reasons, I hereby exercise my constitutional grant of authority and veto Assembly Bill 230.

Sincerely,

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Cc: The Honorable William Raggio, Senate Majority Leader (without enclosure)

The Honorable Ross Miller, Secretary of State (without enclosure)
Susan Furlong Reil, Chief Clerk of the Assembly (without enclosure)
Claire J. Clift, Secretary of the Senate (without enclosure)

Brenda Erdoes, Esq., Legislative Counsel (without enclosure)