

Amendment No. 293

Senate Amendment to Senate Bill No. 252

(BDR 52-843)

Proposed by: Senate Committee on Commerce and Labor**Amends:** Summary: No Title: No Preamble: No Joint Sponsorship: No Digest: Yes

ASSEMBLY ACTION		Initial and Date	SENATE ACTION		Initial and Date
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EXPLANATION: Matter in (1) ***blue bold italics*** is new language in the original bill; (2) ***green bold italic underlining*** is new language proposed in this amendment; (3) ***red strikethrough*** is deleted language in the original bill; (4) ***purple double strikethrough*** is language proposed to be deleted in this amendment; (5) ***orange double underlining*** is deleted language in the original bill that is proposed to be retained in this amendment; and (6) ***green bold dashed underlining*** is newly added transitory language.

DP/RBL



Date: 4/20/2009

S.B. No. 252—Revises provisions relating to solicitations of charitable donations.
(BDR 52-843)

SENATE BILL NO. 252—SENATORS PARKS, COPENING,
WOODHOUSE, HORSFORD, WIENER; CARE AND LEE

MARCH 16, 2009

JOINT SPONSORS: ASSEMBLYMEN ANDERSON, SEGERBLOM, KOIVISTO; ATKINSON, BUCKLEY, DONDERO LOOP, MANENDO, MCCLAIN, OHRENSCHALL AND PIERCE

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to solicitations of charitable donations.
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FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: Increases or Newly Provides for Term of Imprisonment in County or City Jail or Detention Facility.

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 solicitation of charitable donations; requiring a person soliciting donations for a charitable, nonprofit or religious entity to make certain disclosures; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

This bill requires certain disclosures to be made by a person who solicits contributions for or on behalf of a charitable, nonprofit or religious organization. If the organization benefits law enforcement officers or professional firefighters, the person must also disclose the percentage of total contributions that benefits law enforcement officers or professional firefighters in this State. ~~I (NRS 598.1205) upon request.~~

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

1 **Section 1.** ~~NRS 598.1205~~ is hereby amended to read as follows:

2 ~~598.1205 1. A person representing that he is conducting or executing a~~
3 ~~solicitation for or on behalf of a charitable or nonprofit organization or an~~
4 ~~organization which is established for and serving bona fide religious purposes~~
5 ~~shall disclose:~~

6 ~~(a) The full, legal name of the organization;~~

7 ~~(b) The state in which the organization was formed;~~

1 (c) The purpose of the organization; and

2 ~~(d) If the organization purports to benefit law enforcement officers or
3 professional firefighters, the percentage of total contributions that benefits law
4 enforcement officers or professional firefighters in this State.~~

5 2. A person, in planning, conducting or executing a solicitation for or on
6 behalf of a charitable organization, shall not:

7 (a) Make any claim or representation concerning a contribution which directly,
8 or by implication, has the capacity, tendency or effect of deceiving or misleading a
9 person acting reasonably under the circumstances; or

10 (b) Omit any material fact deemed to be equivalent to a false, misleading or
11 deceptive claim or representation if the omission, when considering what has been
12 said or implied, has or would have the capacity, tendency or effect of deceiving or
13 misleading a person acting reasonably under the circumstances.

14 [2.] 3. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter, the Attorney
15 General has primary jurisdiction to investigate and prosecute a violation of this
16 section.

17 [3.] 4. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 41.480 and 41.485, a violation
18 of this section constitutes a deceptive trade practice for the purposes of NRS
19 598.0903 to 598.0999, inclusive.

20 [4.] 5. As used in this section:

21 (a) "Charitable organization" means any person who, directly or indirectly,
22 solicits contributions and who:

23 (1) The Secretary of the Treasury has determined to be tax exempt
24 pursuant to the provisions of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code; or

25 (2) Is, or holds himself out to be, established for a charitable purpose.
26 The term does not include an organization which is established for and serving
27 bona fide religious purposes.

28 (b) "Law enforcement officer" means:

29 (1) Any person upon whom some or all of the powers of a peace officer
30 are conferred pursuant to NRS 289.150 to 289.360, inclusive; and

31 (2) Any person upon whom powers equivalent to some or all of the
32 powers described in subparagraph (1) are conferred by any other state, a territory
33 or possession of the United States, the District of Columbia or the Federal
34 Government;

35 whether that person actively exercises those powers or has retired from service.

36 (c) "Professional firefighter" means any person who is or has been employed
37 as a professional full time salaried firefighter in this State or any other state, a
38 territory or possession of the United States, the District of Columbia or the
39 Federal Government.

40 (d) "Solicitation" means a request for a contribution to a charitable
41 organization that is made by:

42 (1) Mail;

43 (2) Commercial carrier;

44 (3) Telephone, facsimile or other electronic device; or

45 (4) A face-to-face meeting.

46 The term includes solicitations which are made from a location within this State
47 and solicitations which are made from a location outside of this State to persons
48 located in this State. (Deleted by amendment.)

49 Sec. 2. Chapter 598 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new
50 section to read as follows:

51 1. A person representing that he is conducting or executing a solicitation
52 for or on behalf of a charitable or nonprofit organization or an organization
53 which is established for and serving bona fide religious purposes shall disclose:

- 1 (a) The full, legal name of the organization;
2 (b) The state in which the organization was formed;
3 (c) The purpose of the organization;
4 (d) If applicable, the fact that the person is employed by a company that is in
5 the business of fundraising and the full, legal name and address of that company;
6 and
7 (e) If the organization represents that it benefits law enforcement officers or
8 professional firefighters, the percentage of total contributions that benefits law
9 enforcement officers or professional firefighters in this State upon request.
- 10 2. As used in this section:
11 (a) "Charitable organization" means any person who:
12 (1) The Secretary of the Treasury has determined to be tax exempt
13 pursuant to the provisions of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code; or
14 (2) Is, or holds himself out to be, established for a charitable purpose.
15 → The term does not include an organization which is established for and serving
16 bona fide religious purposes.
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20 (2) Any person upon whom powers equivalent to some or all of the
21 powers described in subparagraph (1) are conferred by any other state, a territory
22 or possession of the United States, the District of Columbia or the Federal
23 Government.
24 → whether that person actively exercises those powers or has retired from service.
25 (c) "Professional firefighter" means any person who is or has been employed
26 as a full-time salaried professional firefighter in this State or any other state, a
27 territory or possession of the United States, the District of Columbia or the
28 Federal Government.
29 (d) "Solicitation" means a request for a contribution that is made by
30 telephone. The term includes requests which are made from a location within this
31 State and requests which are made from a location outside of this State to persons
32 located in this State.