

**Amendment No. 624**

Assembly Amendment to Senate Bill No. 35 First Reprint (BDR 15-272)

**Proposed by:** Assembly Committee on Judiciary**Amends:** Summary: No Title: Yes 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.

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Date: 5/10/2009

S.B. No. 35—Revises provisions relating to the prosecution of certain offenses.  
(BDR 15-272)



## SENATE BILL NO. 35—COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(ON BEHALF OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL)

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PREFILED DECEMBER 5, 2008

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to the prosecution of certain offenses.  
(BDR 15-272)

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 criminal procedure; providing that an acquittal of an offense in another jurisdiction is admissible in evidence in the trial in this State for the same offense; **[repealing]** **eliminating** the provision that prohibits the prosecution of a person in this State for a crime after the person is convicted or acquitted of the crime in another **[state, territory or]** country; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

1           Legislative Counsel's Digest:

2           Section 1 of this bill amends existing law to provide that after a person is acquitted of a  
3 crime in another jurisdiction and a criminal prosecution is brought in the courts of this State  
4 for the same offense, the acquittal in the other jurisdiction is admissible in evidence in the  
5 prosecution in this State. (NRS 193.280)

6           Section **[§ 1.5]** of this bill, **[§ (1) repeals]** **revises** the provision that prohibits the  
7 prosecution of a person in this State for a crime after the person is convicted or acquitted of  
8 the crime in another state, territory or country. **[§ (2) establishes the “dual sovereignty**  
9 **doctrine” in this State, by eliminating the prohibition on the prosecution of a person in**  
10 **this State for a crime after the person is convicted or acquitted of the crime in another**  
11 **country.]** (NRS 171.070) Under the dual sovereignty doctrine, successive prosecutions by  
12 two states, or by a state and the Federal Government, for the same criminal conduct are not  
13 barred by the double jeopardy clause of the Fifth Amendment to the United States  
14 Constitution. (*Heath v. Alabama*, 474 U.S. 82 (1985); *United States v. Lanza*, 260 U.S. 377  
**(1922)**)

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

1           **Section 1.** NRS 193.280 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2       193.280 Whenever, upon the trial of any person for a crime, it appears that  
3       the offense was committed in another state or country, under such circumstances  
4       that the courts of this state had jurisdiction thereof, and that the defendant has  
5       already been acquitted ~~for convicted~~ upon the merits, upon a criminal prosecution  
6       under the laws of such state or country, founded upon the act or omission with  
7       respect to which he is upon trial, such former acquittal ~~for conviction is a sufficient~~  
8       ~~defense, is admissible in evidence in the trial.~~

9           **Sec. 1.5.** **NRS 171.070 is hereby amended to read as follows:**

10       171.070 When an act charged as a public offense is within the jurisdiction of  
11       another state ~~or territory, or country,~~ as well as of this state, a conviction or  
12       acquittal thereof in the former is a bar to the prosecution or indictment therefor in  
13       this state.

14           **Sec. 2.** ~~[NRS 171.070 is hereby repealed.]~~ **(Deleted by amendment.)**

15           **Sec. 3.** The amendatory provisions of this act do not apply to offenses  
16       committed before July 1, 2009.

17           **Sec. 4.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2009.

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**TEXT OF REPEALED SECTION**

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~~171.070 Conviction or acquittal in another state, territory or country is bar where jurisdiction is concurrent. When an act charged as a public offense is within the jurisdiction of another state, territory or country, as well as of this State, a conviction or acquittal thereof in the former is a bar to the prosecution or indictment therefor in this State.]~~