

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 353—ASSEMBLYMAN SEGERBLOM

MARCH 21, 2011

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Prohibits a court reporter or court reporting firm from charging more than a certain amount per page for copies of a transcript under certain circumstances. (BDR 54-81)

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: No.

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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 court reporting; prohibiting a court reporter or court reporting firm from charging more than a certain amount per page for copies of a transcript under certain circumstances; providing an exception; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Court reporters and court reporting firms are governed by the provisions of
2 chapter 656 of NRS, which creates the Certified Court Reporters' Board of Nevada,
3 sets requirements for certification as a court reporter or licensure as a court
4 reporting firm and provides certain requirements for and prohibitions against
5 actions by court reporters and court reporting firms. This bill prohibits a court
6 reporter or a court reporting firm hired by a party to a proceeding from charging
7 any other party to the proceeding more than a certain amount per page for a copy of
8 the transcript of the proceeding. Despite this prohibition, this bill authorizes the
9 court reporter or court reporting firm to apply for relief in exigent circumstances.

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

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 656 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:
3 ***1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2:***



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1 (a) A certified court reporter who is employed by or has
2 contracted with a party to a proceeding to provide services as a
3 court reporter for the proceeding shall not charge any other party
4 to the proceeding more than \$2.50 per page, including all fees
5 associated with the production and delivery of the transcript, for a
6 copy of any transcript prepared of the proceeding.

7 (b) A court reporting firm that provides or arranges for the
8 provision of the services of a court reporter for a party to a
9 proceeding shall not charge any other party to the proceeding
10 more than \$2.50 per page, including all fees associated with the
11 production and delivery of the transcript, for a copy of any
12 transcript prepared of the proceeding.

13 2. A court reporter or court reporting firm may, in exigent
14 circumstances, apply to the court exercising jurisdiction over the
15 proceeding for relief from the provisions of subsection 1.

