

SENATE BILL NO. 238—SENATOR MANENDO (BY REQUEST)

MARCH 14, 2011

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Referred to Committee on Transportation

**SUMMARY**—Revises provisions concerning the Advisory Board on Automotive Affairs. (BDR 43-994)

**FISCAL NOTE:** Effect on Local Government: No.  
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.

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AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; increasing the membership and revising the duties of the Advisory Board on Automotive Affairs; establishing certain qualifications for membership on the Board; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

1       The Advisory Board on Automotive Affairs consists of seven members  
2 appointed by the Governor. One member represents the Department of Motor  
3 Vehicles, the general public is represented by two members, and body shops,  
4 automobile wreckers, garages and salvage pools are each represented by one  
5 member. The Board's duties include: (1) studying the regulation of the businesses  
6 and industries that are represented on the Board; (2) analyzing and advising the  
7 Department with respect to consumer complaints relating to those businesses and  
8 industries; and (3) making recommendations to the Department for regulations or  
9 legislation concerning those businesses and industries. Before each regular session  
10 of the Legislature, the Board prepares a report of its activities and recommendations  
11 for submission to the Governor and the Legislature. (NRS 487.002)

12      This bill increases the membership of the Board to nine members. The number  
13 of members representing the general public is reduced from two to one, and three  
14 new members are added, one to represent each of the following businesses or  
15 industries: (1) authorized emissions stations; (2) insurers of motor vehicles; and (3)  
16 new or used motor vehicle dealers. This bill also establishes certain qualifications  
17 for membership on the Board. Every member must have been a resident of this state  
18 for at least 5 years immediately preceding his or her appointment. In addition, each  
19 member appointed to represent a business or industry must hold the appropriate  
20 license or registration to engage in that business or industry and must have been  
21 actively engaged in that business or industry for at least 3 of the 5 years  
22 immediately preceding his or her appointment. Finally, this bill requires the Board  
23 to extend the scope of its existing duties to include all the businesses and industries  
24 that are represented on the Board.



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

1       **Section 1.** NRS 487.002 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
2        487.002 1. The Advisory Board on Automotive Affairs,  
3 consisting of **[seven]** **nine** members appointed by the Governor, is is  
4 hereby created within the Department.

5        2. The Governor shall appoint to the Board:  
6           (a) One representative of the Department;  
7           (b) One representative of licensed operators of body shops;  
8           (c) One representative of licensed automobile wreckers;  
9           (d) One representative of registered garage operators;  
10          (e) One representative of licensed operators of salvage pools;  
11          ~~[and]~~  
12          (f) **[Two representatives]** *One representative of licensed*  
13 *operators of authorized emissions stations;*  
14          (g) *One representative of licensed insurers of motor vehicles;*  
15          (h) *One representative of licensed new or used motor vehicle*  
16 *dealers; and*  
17          (i) *One representative* of the general public. **This member must**  
18 **not be:**  
19           (1) *A holder of a license or registration identified in*  
20 *paragraphs (b) to (h), inclusive; or*  
21           (2) *The spouse or the parent or child, by blood, marriage or*  
22 *adoption, of a holder of such a license or registration.*  
23          3. *Each member appointed must, at the time of his or her*  
24 *appointment, have been a resident of this State for at least 5 years*  
25 *immediately preceding the appointment. Each member who is*  
26 *appointed to represent a business or industry specified in*  
27 *paragraphs (b) to (h), inclusive, of subsection 2, must, at the time*  
28 *of his or her appointment:*  
29           (a) *Hold a license or registration to engage in the business or*  
30 *industry that the member is appointed to represent; and*  
31           (b) *Have been actively engaged in the business or industry that*  
32 *the member is appointed to represent for at least 3 of the 5 years*  
33 *immediately preceding the appointment.*  
34          4. After the initial terms, each member of the Board serves a  
35 term of 4 years. The members of the Board shall annually elect from  
36 among their number a Chair and a Vice Chair. The Department shall  
37 provide secretarial services for the Board.  
38          ~~4.~~ 5. The Board shall meet regularly at least twice each year  
39 and may meet at other times upon the call of the Chair ~~H~~ or a  
40 **majority of the members of the Board. Five members of the Board**



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1      **constitute a quorum, and a quorum may exercise all the power**  
2      **and authority conferred on the Board.** Each member of the Board  
3      is entitled to the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided  
4      for state officers and employees generally [F].

5      **—5.] while attending meetings of the Board.**

6      6. The Board shall:

7      (a) Study the regulation of garage operators, automobile  
8      wreckers , [and] operators of body shops [and] , **operators of**  
9      salvage pools, **operators of authorized emissions stations, insurers**  
10     **of motor vehicles and new and used motor vehicle dealers,**  
11     including, without limitation, the registration or licensure of such  
12     persons and the methods of disciplinary action against such persons;

13     (b) Analyze and advise the Department relating to any consumer  
14     complaints received by the Department concerning garage  
15     operators, automobile wreckers , [or] operators of body shops , [or]  
16     **operators of salvage pools [H], operators of authorized emissions**  
17     **stations, insurers of motor vehicles and new and used motor**  
18     **vehicle dealers;**

19     (c) Make recommendations to the Department for any necessary  
20     regulations or proposed legislation pertaining to paragraph (a)  
21     or (b);

22     (d) On or before January 15 of each odd-numbered year, prepare  
23     and submit a report concerning its activities and recommendations  
24     to the Governor and to the Director of the Legislative Counsel  
25     Bureau for transmission to the Legislature [H] **and the Chairs of the**  
26     **Senate and Assembly Standing Committees on Transportation;**  
27     and

28     (e) Perform any other duty assigned by the Department.

29     7. **As used in this section, “authorized emissions stations”**  
30     **means stations licensed by the Department pursuant to NRS**  
31     **445B.775 to inspect, repair, adjust or install devices for the control**  
32     **of emissions of motor vehicles.**

33     Sec. 2. 1. The terms of the current members of the Advisory  
34     Board on Automotive Affairs appointed pursuant to paragraph (f) of  
35     subsection 2 of NRS 487.002 expire on June 30, 2011.

36     2. As soon as practicable after July 1, 2011, the Governor shall  
37     appoint to the Advisory Board on Automotive Affairs the members  
38     required by paragraphs (f) to (i), inclusive, of subsection 2 of NRS  
39     487.002, as amended by section 1 of this act. The initial term of the  
40     members appointed pursuant to paragraphs (f) and (g) of subsection  
41     2 of NRS 487.002 as amended by section 1 of this act expire on  
42     June 30, 2013. The initial terms of the members appointed pursuant  
43     to paragraphs (h) and (i) of subsection 2 of NRS 487.002 as  
44     amended by section 1 of this act expire on June 30, 2015.



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1       **Sec. 3.** Notwithstanding the amendatory provisions of this act,  
2 a member of the Advisory Board on Automotive Affairs who was  
3 appointed pursuant to paragraphs (a) to (e), inclusive, of subsection  
4 2 of NRS 487.002 and who is serving a term on July 1, 2011, is  
5 entitled to serve out the remainder of the term to which he or she  
6 was appointed.

7       **Sec. 4.** 1. This section and section 2 of this act become  
8 effective upon passage and approval.

9       2. Sections 1 and 3 of this act become effective on July 1,  
10 2011.

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