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ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 176—ASSEMBLYMEN ARMSTRONG,
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FEBRUARY 18, 2015

Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Requires the regional transportation commission in certain counties to establish and administer the Nevada Yellow Dot Program. (BDR 22-649)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: Yes.

CONTAINS UNFUNDED MANDATE (§ 1)
(NOT REQUESTED BY AFFECTED LOCAL GOVERNMENT)

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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 transportation; requiring the regional transportation commission in certain counties to establish and administer the Nevada Yellow Dot Program; setting forth the requirements of the Program; requiring the commission in those counties to establish a campaign to raise public awareness of the Program; conferring immunity from civil liability for damages for a first responder under certain circumstances; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 This bill: (1) requires the regional transportation commission in a county whose
2 population is 700,000 or more (currently Clark County) to establish and administer
3 the Nevada Yellow Dot Program in coordination with each regional transportation
4 commission in this State; (2) requires the regional transportation commission in a
5 county whose population is 700,000 or more (currently Clark County) to
6 disseminate information about the Program to the public and to public safety
7 agencies; (3) authorizes that commission to obtain grants or sponsorships for the
8 Program; and (4) provides that first responders are immune from civil liability for
9 damages as a result of any act or omission taken by the first responder relating to a
10 collision or other emergency in connection with the Program.



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

Section 1. Chapter 277A of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. In a county whose population is 700,000 or more, the commission shall establish and administer the Nevada Yellow Dot Program for the purpose of improving traffic safety.

2. The commission specified in subsection 1 shall coordinate with each commission in this State regarding the design, implementation and funding of the Program.

3. The Program must:

(a) Be available to any person in this State who wishes to participate in the Program by obtaining the materials described in paragraphs (b) and (c):

(1) At the main office or any branch office of each commission in this State;

(2) At the main office or any branch office of the Nevada Highway Patrol, the Department of Transportation or other location designated by the commission in a county whose population is 700,000 or more; or

(3) By mail, upon request.

(b) Provide to a participant a distinctive round yellow decal to be placed on a specified location of a vehicle in which the participant is regularly a driver or passenger, to notify first responders that important medical information concerning an occupant of the vehicle may be found in the glove compartment of the vehicle if the occupant is involved in a collision or other emergency.

(c) Provide to a participant a brightly colored and distinctively marked envelope and information card to be completed by the participant and kept in the glove box of a vehicle upon which the decal described in paragraph (b) has been affixed. The information card must include, without limitation, spaces for the participant to include:

(1) The participant's name;

(2) A recent photograph of the participant;

(3) Emergency contact information;

(4) Any allergies or medical conditions of the participant;

(5) The name and contact information of the participant's physician and a preferred hospital, if any; and

(6) Information, if any, regarding the participant's health insurance.

4. In designing materials for the Program, the commission in a county whose population is 700,000 or more shall consider any



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1 *materials used by similar programs in other states to ensure, to the*
2 *extent practicable, uniformity with those materials.*

3 5. *In a county whose population is 700,000 or more, the*
4 *commission shall establish and carry out a public information*
5 *campaign to raise public awareness of the Program. In carrying*
6 *out that campaign, that commission shall disseminate information*
7 *concerning the Program to public safety agencies in this State.*

8 6. *In a county whose population is 700,000 or more, the*
9 *commission may apply for and accept any gift, donation, bequest,*
10 *grant or other source of money to carry out the Program,*
11 *including, without limitation, any private or corporate sponsorship*
12 *for the Program.*

13 7. *A first responder is not liable for any civil damages as a*
14 *result of any act or omission taken by the first responder relating*
15 *to a collision or other emergency, not amounting to gross*
16 *negligence, including, without limitation, failure to observe a*
17 *decal, failure or inability to locate an information card, or reliance*
18 *on incomplete, incorrect or outdated information on an*
19 *information card.*

20 8. *As used in this section, "first responder" means any police,*
21 *fire or emergency medical personnel acting in the normal course*
22 *of duty.*

23 **Sec. 2.** (Deleted by amendment.)

24 **Sec. 2.5.** The provisions of NRS 354.599 do not apply to any
25 additional expenses of a local government that are related to the
26 provisions of this act.

27 **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective on January 1, 2016.

