

SENATE BILL NO. 256—SENATORS FARLEY,
HARDY; HARRIS AND SETTELMAYER

MARCH 12, 2015

Referred to Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to the civil liability of innkeepers. (BDR 54-1018)

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.

AN ACT relating to innkeepers; revising provisions relating to the civil liability of innkeepers; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law limits the liability of an owner or keeper of any hotel, inn, motel, motor court, boardinghouse or lodging house in this State for the loss of or damage to certain personal property brought by a patron onto the premises of the innkeeper, including that left in a motor vehicle upon the premises. (NRS 651.010) The Nevada Supreme Court has ruled that the language of the statute does not shield an innkeeper from liability for the loss of or damage to a motor vehicle itself, as separate from the contents, brought by a patron onto the premises of the innkeeper. (*Arguello v. Sunset Station, Inc.*, 127 Nev. Adv. Op. 29, 252 P.3d 206 (2011)) This bill limits the liability of an innkeeper for the loss of or damage to a motor vehicle brought by a patron onto the premises of the innkeeper.

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

Section 1. (Deleted by amendment.)

Sec. 2. Chapter 651 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

An owner or keeper of any hotel, inn, motel, motor court, boardinghouse or lodging house in this State is not civilly liable for the theft, loss, damage or destruction of a motor vehicle brought by a patron upon the premises or left upon the premises,



1 *because of theft, burglary, fire or otherwise, in the absence of*
2 *gross neglect by the owner or keeper.*

3 **Sec. 3.** NRS 651.005 is hereby amended to read as follows:

4 651.005 As used in NRS 651.005 to 651.040, inclusive, *and*
5 *section 1 of this act*, “premises” includes, but is not limited to, all
6 buildings, improvements, equipment and facilities, including any
7 parking lot, recreational facility or other land, used or maintained in
8 connection with a hotel, inn, motel, motor court, boardinghouse or
9 lodging house.

10 **Sec. 4.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2015.

