
SENATE BILL NO. 404—SENATORS DENIS; AND MANENDO

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Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Makes certain changes concerning registration of mopeds. (BDR 43-1016)

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: Yes.

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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 motor vehicles; providing for the registration of mopeds; requiring a fee for such registration; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Under existing law, a moped is not required to be registered with the Department of Motor Vehicles and the owner or operator is not required to provide liability insurance. (NRS 482.210, 485.185) **Section 3** of this bill removes the exemption of mopeds from the requirement to register a motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer intended to be operated upon any highway in this State. Existing law requires the owner or operator of any motor vehicle which is registered or required to be registered to maintain liability insurance. (NRS 485.185) **Section 14** of this bill exempts mopeds from the requirement to maintain liability insurance. Existing law makes failure to register a vehicle which is required to be registered a misdemeanor. (NRS 482.555)

Section 5 of this bill requires the Department to issue a license plate to the owner of a moped upon registration of the moped. **Section 11** of this bill imposes a fee of \$33 to register a moped, the same fee imposed for the registration of a motorcycle. (NRS 482.480) **Sections 9 and 13** of this bill make provisions that allow disabled vehicle owners to obtain and use special license plates and parking stickers applicable to mopeds. (NRS 482.384, 484B.467)



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

1 **Section 1.** NRS 482.087 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 482.087 “Passenger car” means a motor vehicle designed for
3 carrying 10 persons or less, except a motorcycle , *an electric bicycle*
4 or ~~motor-driven cycle.~~ *a moped.*

5 **Sec. 2.** NRS 482.1825 is hereby amended to read as follows:
6 482.1825 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3,
7 any voluntary contributions collected pursuant to subsection ~~114~~ *12*
8 of NRS 482.480 must be distributed to each county based on the
9 county of registration of the vehicle for which the contribution was
10 made, to be used as provided in NRS 244.2643, 277A.285 or
11 403.575, as applicable. The Department shall remit monthly the
12 contributions directly:

13 (a) In a county in which a regional transportation commission
14 exists, to the regional transportation commission.

15 (b) In a county whose population is 100,000 or more and in
16 which a regional transportation commission does not exist, to the
17 board of county commissioners.

18 (c) In a county whose population is less than 100,000 and in
19 which a regional transportation commission does not exist, to
20 the board of county highway commissioners created pursuant to
21 NRS 403.010.

22 2. The Department shall certify monthly to the State Board of
23 Examiners the amount of the voluntary contributions collected
24 pursuant to subsection ~~114~~ *12* of NRS 482.480 for each county by
25 the Department and its agents during the preceding month, and that
26 the money has been distributed as provided in this section.

27 3. The Department shall deduct and withhold 1 percent of
28 the contributions collected pursuant to subsection 1 to reimburse the
29 Department for its expenses in collecting and distributing the
30 contributions.

31 4. As used in this section, “regional transportation
32 commission” means a regional transportation commission created
33 and organized in accordance with chapter 277A of NRS.

34 **Sec. 3.** NRS 482.210 is hereby amended to read as follows:
35 482.210 1. The provisions of this chapter requiring the
36 registration of certain vehicles do not apply to:

37 (a) Special mobile equipment.

38 (b) Implements of husbandry temporarily drawn, moved or
39 otherwise propelled upon the highways.

40 (c) Any mobile home or commercial coach subject to the
41 provisions of chapter 489 of NRS.

42 (d) Electric bicycles.



(e) Golf carts which are:

(1) Traveling upon highways properly designated by the appropriate city or county as permissible for the operation of golf carts; and

(2) Operating pursuant to a permit issued pursuant to this chapter.

(f) ~~Mopeds.~~

—(g) Towable tools or equipment as defined in NRS 484D.055.

~~(h)~~ (g) Any motorized conveyance for a wheelchair, whose operator is a person with a disability who is unable to walk about.

2. For the purposes of this section, “motorized conveyance for a wheelchair” means a vehicle which:

(a) Can carry a wheelchair;

(b) Is propelled by an engine which produces not more than 3 gross brake horsepower, has a displacement of not more than 50 cubic centimeters or produces not more than 2250 watts final output;

(c) Is designed to travel on not more than three wheels; and

(d) Can reach a speed of not more than 30 miles per hour on a flat surface with not more than a grade of 1 percent in any direction.

➤ The term does not include a tractor.

Sec. 4. NRS 482.255 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.255 1. Upon receipt of a certificate of registration, the owner shall place it or a legible copy in the vehicle for which it is issued and keep it in the vehicle. If the vehicle is a motorcycle, **moped**, trailer or semitrailer, the owner shall carry the certificate in the tool bag or other convenient receptacle attached to the vehicle.

2. The owner or operator of a motor vehicle shall, upon demand, surrender the certificate of registration or the copy for examination to any peace officer, including a constable of the township in which the motor vehicle is located or a justice of the peace or a deputy of the Department.

3. No person charged with violating this section may be convicted if the person produces in court a certificate of registration which was previously issued to him or her and was valid at the time of the demand.

Sec. 5. NRS 482.265 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.265 1. The Department shall furnish to every owner whose vehicle is registered two license plates for a motor vehicle other than a motorcycle **or moped** and one license plate for all other vehicles required to be registered hereunder. Upon renewal of registration, the Department may issue one or more license plate stickers, tabs or other suitable devices in lieu of new license plates.



2. The Director shall have the authority to require the return to the Department of all number plates upon termination of the lawful use thereof by the owner under this chapter.

3. Except as otherwise specifically provided by statute, for the issuance of each special license plate authorized pursuant to this chapter:

(a) The fee to be received by the Department for the initial issuance of the special license plate is \$35, exclusive of any additional fee which may be added to generate funds for a particular cause or charitable organization;

(b) The fee to be received by the Department for the renewal of the special license plate is \$10, exclusive of any additional fee which may be added to generate financial support for a particular cause or charitable organization; and

(c) The Department shall not design, prepare or issue a special license plate unless, within 4 years after the date on which the measure authorizing the issuance becomes effective, it receives at least 250 applications for the issuance of that plate.

4. The provisions of subsection 3 do not apply to NRS 482.37901.

Sec. 6. NRS 482.272 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.272 Each license plate for a motorcycle *or moped* may contain a number of characters, including numbers and letters, as determined necessary by the Director. Only one plate may be issued for a motorcycle ~~H~~ *or moped*.

Sec. 7. NRS 482.275 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.275 1. The license plates for a motor vehicle other than a motorcycle, *moped* or motor vehicle being transported by a licensed vehicle transporter must be attached thereto, one in the rear and, except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, one in the front. The license plate issued for all other vehicles required to be registered must be attached to the rear of the vehicle. The license plates must be so displayed during the current calendar year or registration period.

2. If the motor vehicle was not manufactured to include a bracket, device or other contrivance to display and secure a front license plate, and if the manufacturer of the motor vehicle provided no other means or method by which a front license plate may be displayed upon and secured to the motor vehicle:

(a) One license plate must be attached to the motor vehicle in the rear; and

(b) The other license plate may, at the option of the owner of the vehicle, be attached to the motor vehicle in the front.

3. The provisions of subsection 2 do not relieve the Department of the duty to issue a set of two license plates as



otherwise required pursuant to NRS 482.265 or other applicable law and do not entitle the owner of a motor vehicle to pay a reduced tax or fee in connection with the registration or transfer of the motor vehicle. If the owner of a motor vehicle, in accordance with the provisions of subsection 2, exercises the option to attach a license plate only to the rear of the motor vehicle, the owner shall:

(a) Retain the other license plate; and

(b) Insofar as it may be practicable, return or surrender both plates to the Department as a set when required by law to do so.

4. Every license plate must at all times be securely fastened to the vehicle to which it is assigned so as to prevent the plate from swinging and at a height not less than 12 inches from the ground, measuring from the bottom of such plate, in a place and position to be clearly visible, and must be maintained free from foreign materials and in a condition to be clearly legible.

5. Any license plate which is issued to a vehicle transporter or a dealer, rebuilder or manufacturer may be attached to a vehicle owned or controlled by that person by a secure means. No license plate may be displayed loosely in the window or by any other unsecured method in any motor vehicle.

Sec. 8. NRS 482.280 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.280 1. The registration of every vehicle expires at midnight on the day specified on the receipt of registration, unless the day specified falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday. If the day specified on the receipt of registration is a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, the registration of the vehicle expires at midnight on the next judicial day. The Department shall mail to each holder of a certificate of registration a notification for renewal of registration for the following period of registration. The notifications must be mailed by the Department in sufficient time to allow all applicants to mail the notifications to the Department or to renew the certificate of registration at a kiosk or authorized inspection station or via the Internet or an interactive response system and to receive new certificates of registration and license plates, stickers, tabs or other suitable devices by mail before the expiration of their registrations. An applicant may present or submit the notification to any agent or office of the Department.

2. A notification:

(a) Mailed or presented to the Department or to a county assessor pursuant to the provisions of this section;

(b) Submitted to the Department pursuant to NRS 482.294; or

(c) Presented to an authorized inspection station or authorized station pursuant to the provisions of NRS 482.281,

must include, if required, evidence of compliance with standards for the control of emissions.



3. The Department shall include with each notification mailed pursuant to subsection 1:

(a) The amount of the governmental services tax to be collected pursuant to the provisions of NRS 482.260.

(b) The amount set forth in a notice of nonpayment filed with the Department by a local authority pursuant to NRS 484B.527.

(c) A statement which informs the applicant:

(1) That, pursuant to NRS 485.185, *if applicable*, the applicant is legally required to maintain insurance during the period in which the motor vehicle is registered which must be provided by an insurance company licensed by the Division of Insurance of the Department of Business and Industry and approved to do business in this State; and

(2) Of any other applicable requirements set forth in chapter 485 of NRS and any regulations adopted pursuant thereto.

(d) A statement which informs the applicant that, if the applicant renews a certificate of registration at a kiosk or via the Internet, he or she may make a nonrefundable monetary contribution of \$2 for each vehicle registration renewed for the Complete Streets Program, if any, created pursuant to NRS 244.2643, 277A.285 or 403.575, as applicable, based on the declaration made pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection 3 of NRS 482.215. The notification must state in a clear and conspicuous manner that a contribution for a Complete Streets Program is nonrefundable and voluntary and is in addition to any fees required for registration.

4. An application for renewal of a certificate of registration submitted at a kiosk or via the Internet must include a statement which informs the applicant that he or she may make a nonrefundable monetary contribution of \$2, for each vehicle registration which is renewed at a kiosk or via the Internet, for the Complete Streets Program, if any, created pursuant to NRS 244.2643, 277A.285 or 403.575, as applicable, based on the declaration made pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection 3 of NRS 482.215. The application must state in a clear and conspicuous manner that a contribution for a Complete Streets Program is nonrefundable and voluntary and is in addition to any fees required for registration, and must include a method by which the applicant must indicate his or her intention to opt in or opt out of making such a contribution.

5. An owner who has made proper application for renewal of registration before the expiration of the current registration but who has not received the license plate or plates or card of registration for the ensuing period of registration is entitled to operate or permit the operation of that vehicle upon the highways upon displaying thereon the license plate or plates issued for the preceding period of



1 registration for such a time as may be prescribed by the Department
2 as it may find necessary for the issuance of the new plate or plates
3 or card of registration.

4 **Sec. 9.** NRS 482.384 is hereby amended to read as follows:

5 482.384 1. Upon the application of a person with a
6 permanent disability, the Department may issue special license
7 plates for a vehicle, including a motorcycle ~~or~~ **or moped**, registered
8 by the applicant pursuant to this chapter. The application must
9 include a statement from a licensed physician certifying that the
10 applicant is a person with a permanent disability. The issuance of a
11 special license plate to a person with a permanent disability pursuant
12 to this subsection does not preclude the issuance to such a person of
13 a special parking placard for a vehicle other than a motorcycle **or**
14 **moped** or a special parking sticker for a motorcycle **or moped**
15 pursuant to subsection 6.

16 2. Every year after the initial issuance of special license plates
17 to a person with a permanent disability, the Department shall require
18 the person to renew the special license plates in accordance with the
19 procedures for renewal of registration pursuant to this chapter. The
20 Department shall not require a person with a permanent disability to
21 include with the application for renewal a statement from a licensed
22 physician certifying that the person is a person with a permanent
23 disability.

24 3. Upon the application of an organization which provides
25 transportation for a person with a permanent disability, disability of
26 moderate duration or temporary disability, the Department may
27 issue special license plates for a vehicle registered by the
28 organization pursuant to this chapter, or the Department may issue
29 special parking placards to the organization pursuant to this section
30 to be used on vehicles providing transportation to such persons. The
31 application must include a statement from the organization
32 certifying that:

33 (a) The vehicle for which the special license plates are issued is
34 used primarily to transport persons with permanent disabilities,
35 disabilities of moderate duration or temporary disabilities; or

36 (b) The organization which is issued the special parking
37 placards will only use such placards on vehicles that actually
38 transport persons with permanent disabilities, disabilities of
39 moderate duration or temporary disabilities.

40 4. The Department may charge a fee for special license plates
41 issued pursuant to this section not to exceed the fee charged for the
42 issuance of license plates for the same class of vehicle.

43 5. Special license plates issued pursuant to this section must
44 display the international symbol of access in a color which contrasts



with the background and is the same size as the numerals and letters on the plate.

6. Upon the application of a person with a permanent disability or disability of moderate duration, the Department may issue:

(a) A special parking placard for a vehicle other than a motorcycle ~~H~~ or moped. Upon request, the Department may issue one additional placard to an applicant to whom special license plates have not been issued pursuant to this section.

(b) A special parking sticker for a motorcycle ~~H~~ or moped.

➤ The application must include a statement from a licensed physician certifying that the applicant is a person with a permanent disability or disability of moderate duration.

7. A special parking placard issued pursuant to subsection 6 must:

(a) Have inscribed on it the international symbol of access which is at least 3 inches in height, is centered on the placard and is white on a blue background;

(b) Have an identification number and date of expiration of:

(1) If the special parking placard is issued to a person with a permanent disability, 10 years after the initial date of issuance; or

(2) If the special parking placard is issued to a person with a disability of moderate duration, 2 years after the initial date of issuance;

(c) Have placed or inscribed on it the seal or other identification of the Department; and

(d) Have a form of attachment which enables a person using the placard to display the placard from the rearview mirror of the vehicle.

8. A special parking sticker issued pursuant to subsection 6 must:

(a) Have inscribed on it the international symbol of access which complies with any applicable federal standards, is centered on the sticker and is white on a blue background;

(b) Have an identification number and a date of expiration of:

(1) If the special parking sticker is issued to a person with a permanent disability, 10 years after the initial date of issuance; or

(2) If the special parking sticker is issued to a person with a disability of moderate duration, 2 years after the initial date of issuance; and

(c) Have placed or inscribed on it the seal or other identification of the Department.

9. Before the date of expiration of a special parking placard or special parking sticker issued to a person with a permanent disability or disability of moderate duration, the person shall renew the special parking placard or special parking sticker. If the



applicant for renewal is a person with a disability of moderate duration, the applicant must include with the application for renewal a statement from a licensed physician certifying that the applicant is a person with a disability which limits or impairs the ability to walk, and that such disability, although not irreversible, is estimated to last longer than 6 months. A person with a permanent disability is not required to submit evidence of a continuing disability with the application for renewal.

10. The Department, or a city or county, may issue, and charge a reasonable fee for, a temporary parking placard for a vehicle other than a motorcycle *or moped* or a temporary parking sticker for a motorcycle *or moped* upon the application of a person with a temporary disability. Upon request, the Department, city or county may issue one additional temporary parking placard to an applicant. The application must include a certificate from a licensed physician indicating:

- (a) That the applicant has a temporary disability; and
- (b) The estimated period of the disability.

11. A temporary parking placard issued pursuant to subsection 10 must:

(a) Have inscribed on it the international symbol of access which is at least 3 inches in height, is centered on the placard and is white on a red background;

(b) Have an identification number and a date of expiration; and

(c) Have a form of attachment which enables a person using the placard to display the placard from the rearview mirror of the vehicle.

12. A temporary parking sticker issued pursuant to subsection 10 must:

(a) Have inscribed on it the international symbol of access which is at least 3 inches in height, is centered on the sticker and is white on a red background; and

(b) Have an identification number and a date of expiration.

13. A temporary parking placard or temporary parking sticker is valid only for the period for which a physician has certified the disability, but in no case longer than 6 months. If the temporary disability continues after the period for which the physician has certified the disability, the person with the temporary disability must renew the temporary parking placard or temporary parking sticker before the temporary parking placard or temporary parking sticker expires. The person with the temporary disability shall include with the application for renewal a statement from a licensed physician certifying that the applicant continues to be a person with a temporary disability and the estimated period of the disability.



14. A special or temporary parking placard must be displayed in the vehicle when the vehicle is parked by hanging or attaching the placard to the rearview mirror of the vehicle. If the vehicle has no rearview mirror, the placard must be placed on the dashboard of the vehicle in such a manner that the placard can easily be seen from outside the vehicle when the vehicle is parked.

15. Upon issuing a special license plate pursuant to subsection 1, a special or temporary parking placard, or a special or temporary parking sticker, the Department, or the city or county, if applicable, shall issue a letter to the applicant that sets forth the name and address of the person with a permanent disability, disability of moderate duration or temporary disability to whom the special license plate, special or temporary parking placard or special or temporary parking sticker has been issued and:

(a) If the person receives special license plates, the license plate number designated for the plates; and

(b) If the person receives a special or temporary parking placard or a special or temporary parking sticker, the identification number and date of expiration indicated on the placard or sticker.

➡ The letter, or a legible copy thereof, must be kept with the vehicle for which the special license plate has been issued or in which the person to whom the special or temporary parking placard or special or temporary parking sticker has been issued is driving or is a passenger.

16. A special or temporary parking sticker must be affixed to the windscreen of the motorcycle **H or moped**. If the motorcycle **or moped** has no windscreen, the sticker must be affixed to any other part of the motorcycle **or moped** which may be easily seen when the motorcycle **or moped** is parked.

17. Special or temporary parking placards, special or temporary parking stickers, or special license plates issued pursuant to this section do not authorize parking in any area on a highway where parking is prohibited by law.

18. No person, other than the person certified as being a person with a permanent disability, disability of moderate duration or temporary disability, or a person actually transporting such a person, may use the special license plate or plates or a special or temporary parking placard, or a special or temporary parking sticker issued pursuant to this section to obtain any special parking privileges available pursuant to this section.

19. Any person who violates the provisions of subsection 18 is guilty of a misdemeanor.

20. The Department may review the eligibility of each holder of a special parking placard, a special parking sticker or special license plates, or any combination thereof. Upon a determination of



ineligibility by the Department, the holder shall surrender the special parking placard, special parking sticker or special license plates, or any combination thereof, to the Department.

21. The Department may adopt such regulations as are necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.

Sec. 10. NRS 482.451 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.451 1. The Department shall, upon receiving an order from a court to suspend the registration of each motor vehicle that is registered to or owned by a person pursuant to NRS 484C.520, suspend the registration of each such motor vehicle for 5 days and require the return to the Department of the license plates of each such motor vehicle.

2. If the registration of a motor vehicle of a person is suspended pursuant to this section, the person shall immediately return the certificate of registration and the license plates to the Department.

3. The period of suspension of the registration of a motor vehicle that is suspended pursuant to this section begins on the effective date of the suspension as set forth in the notice thereof.

4. The Department shall reinstate the registration of a motor vehicle that was suspended pursuant to this section and reissue the license plates of the motor vehicle only upon the payment of the fee for reinstatement of registration prescribed in subsection ~~10~~ 11 of NRS 482.480.

5. The suspension of the registration of a motor vehicle pursuant to this section does not prevent the owner of the motor vehicle from selling or otherwise transferring an interest in the motor vehicle.

Sec. 11. NRS 482.480 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.480 There must be paid to the Department for the registration or the transfer or reinstatement of the registration of motor vehicles, trailers and semitrailers, fees according to the following schedule:

1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, for each stock passenger car and each reconstructed or specially constructed passenger car registered to a person, regardless of weight or number of passenger capacity, a fee for registration of \$33.

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3:

(a) For each of the fifth and sixth such cars registered to a person, a fee for registration of \$16.50.

(b) For each of the seventh and eighth such cars registered to a person, a fee for registration of \$12.

(c) For each of the ninth or more such cars registered to a person, a fee for registration of \$8.

3. The fees specified in subsection 2 do not apply:



(a) Unless the person registering the cars presents to the Department at the time of registration the registrations of all the cars registered to the person.

(b) To cars that are part of a fleet.

4. For every motorcycle, a fee for registration of \$33 and for each motorcycle other than a trimobile, an additional fee of \$6 for motorcycle safety. The additional fee must be deposited in the State General Fund for credit to the Account for the Program for the Education of Motorcycle Riders created by NRS 486.372.

5. *For every moped, a fee for registration of \$33.*

6. For each transfer of registration, a fee of \$6 in addition to any other fees.

~~16.1~~ 7. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6 of NRS 485.317, to reinstate the registration of a motor vehicle that is suspended pursuant to that section:

(a) A fee as specified in NRS 482.557 for a registered owner who failed to have insurance on the date specified by the Department, which fee is in addition to any fine or penalty imposed pursuant to NRS 482.557; or

(b) A fee of \$50 for a registered owner of a dormant vehicle who cancelled the insurance coverage for that vehicle or allowed the insurance coverage for that vehicle to expire without first cancelling the registration for the vehicle in accordance with subsection 3 of NRS 485.320,

↳ both of which must be deposited in the Account for Verification of Insurance which is hereby created in the State Highway Fund. The money in the Account must be used to carry out the provisions of NRS 485.313 to 485.318, inclusive.

~~17.1~~ 8. For every travel trailer, a fee for registration of \$27.

~~18.1~~ 9. For every permit for the operation of a golf cart, an annual fee of \$10.

~~19.1~~ 10. For every low-speed vehicle, as that term is defined in NRS 484B.637, a fee for registration of \$33.

~~110.1~~ 11. To reinstate the registration of a motor vehicle that is suspended pursuant to NRS 482.451 or 482.458, a fee of \$33.

~~111.1~~ 12. For each vehicle for which the registered owner has indicated his or her intention to opt in to making a contribution pursuant to paragraph (h) of subsection 3 of NRS 482.215 or subsection 4 of NRS 482.280, a contribution of \$2. The contribution must be distributed to the appropriate county pursuant to NRS 482.1825.

Sec. 12. NRS 482.490 is hereby amended to read as follows:

482.490 Each person who applies for a manufacturer's, distributor's, dealer's or rebuilder's license plate, or pair of plates



shall pay at the time of application a fee according to the following schedule:

For each plate or pair of plates for a motor vehicle,
including a motorcycle *or moped*.....\$12
For plates for a trailer or semitrailer.....12

This fee is in lieu of any other fee specified in this chapter except the fees imposed by NRS 482.268.

Sec. 13. NRS 484B.467 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484B.467 1. Any parking space designated for persons who are handicapped must be indicated by a sign:

(a) Bearing the international symbol of access with or without the words "Parking," "Handicapped Parking," "Handicapped Parking Only" or "Reserved for the Handicapped," or any other word or combination of words indicating that the space is designated for persons who are handicapped;

(b) Stating "Minimum fine of \$250 for use by others" or equivalent words; and

(c) The bottom of which must be not less than 4 feet above the ground.

2. In addition to the requirements of subsection 1, a parking space designated for persons who are handicapped which:

(a) Is designed for the exclusive use of a vehicle with a side-loading wheelchair lift; and

(b) Is located in a parking lot with 60 or more parking spaces, ➤ must be indicated by a sign using a combination of words to state that the space is for the exclusive use of a vehicle with a side-loading wheelchair lift.

3. If a parking space is designed for the use of a vehicle with a side-loading wheelchair lift, the space which is immediately adjacent and intended for use in the loading and unloading of a wheelchair into or out of such a vehicle must be indicated by a sign:

(a) Stating "No Parking" or similar words which indicate that parking in such a space is prohibited;

(b) Stating "Minimum fine of \$250 for violation" or similar words indicating that the minimum fine for parking in such a space is \$250; and

(c) The bottom of which must not be less than 4 feet above the ground.

4. An owner of private property upon which is located a parking space described in subsection 1, 2 or 3 shall erect and maintain or cause to be erected and maintained any sign required pursuant to subsection 1, 2 or 3, whichever is applicable. If a parking space described in subsection 1, 2 or 3 is located on public



property, the governmental entity having control over that public property shall erect and maintain or cause to be erected and maintained any sign required pursuant to subsection 1, 2 or 3, whichever is applicable.

5. A person shall not park a vehicle in a space designated for persons who are handicapped by a sign that meets the requirements of subsection 1, whether on public or privately owned property, unless the person is eligible to do so and the vehicle displays:

(a) A special license plate or plates issued pursuant to NRS 482.384;

(b) A special or temporary parking placard issued pursuant to NRS 482.384;

(c) A special or temporary parking sticker issued pursuant to NRS 482.384;

(d) A special license plate or plates, a special or temporary parking sticker, or a special or temporary parking placard displaying the international symbol of access issued by another state or a foreign country; or

(e) A special license plate or plates for a veteran with a disability issued pursuant to NRS 482.377.

6. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a person shall not park a vehicle in a space that is reserved for the exclusive use of a vehicle with a side-loading wheelchair lift and is designated for persons who are handicapped by a sign that meets the requirements of subsection 2, whether on public or privately owned property, unless:

(a) The person is eligible to do so;

(b) The vehicle displays the special license plate, plates or placard set forth in subsection 5; and

(c) The vehicle is equipped with a side-loading wheelchair lift.

➤ A person who meets the requirements of paragraphs (a) and (b) may park a vehicle that is not equipped with a side-loading wheelchair lift in such a parking space if the space is in a parking lot with fewer than 60 parking spaces.

7. A person shall not park in a space which:

(a) Is immediately adjacent to a space designed for use by a vehicle with a side-loading wheelchair lift; and

(b) Is designated as a space in which parking is prohibited by a sign that meets the requirements of subsection 3,
➤ whether on public or privately owned property.

8. A person shall not use a plate, sticker or placard set forth in subsection 5 to park in a space designated for persons who are handicapped unless he or she is a person with a permanent disability, disability of moderate duration or temporary disability, a



1 veteran with a disability or the driver of a vehicle in which any such
2 person is a passenger.

3 9. A person with a permanent disability, disability of moderate
4 duration or temporary disability to whom a:

5 (a) Special license plate, or a special or temporary parking
6 sticker, has been issued pursuant to NRS 482.384 shall not allow
7 any other person to park the vehicle , ~~for~~ motorcycle *or moped*
8 displaying the special license plate or special or temporary parking
9 sticker in a space designated for persons who are handicapped
10 unless the person with the permanent disability, disability of
11 moderate duration or temporary disability is a passenger in the
12 vehicle or on the motorcycle ~~for~~ *or moped*, or is being picked up or
13 dropped off by the driver of the vehicle , ~~for~~ motorcycle ~~for~~ *or*
14 *moped*, at the time that the vehicle , ~~for~~ motorcycle *or moped* is
15 parked in the space designated for persons who are handicapped.

16 (b) Special or temporary parking placard has been issued
17 pursuant to NRS 482.384 shall not allow any other person to park
18 the vehicle which displays the special or temporary parking placard
19 in a space designated for persons who are handicapped unless the
20 person with the permanent disability, disability of moderate duration
21 or temporary disability is a passenger in the vehicle, or is being
22 picked up or dropped off by the driver of the vehicle, at the time that
23 it is parked in the space designated for persons who are
24 handicapped.

25 10. A person who violates any of the provisions of subsections
26 5 to 9, inclusive, is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished:

27 (a) Upon the first offense, by a fine of \$250.

28 (b) Upon the second offense, by a fine of \$250 and not less than
29 8 hours, but not more than 50 hours, of community service.

30 (c) Upon the third or subsequent offense, by a fine of not less
31 than \$500, but not more than \$1,000 and not less than 25 hours, but
32 not more than 100 hours, of community service.

33 **Sec. 14.** NRS 485.185 is hereby amended to read as follows:

34 485.185 ~~Every~~

35 *1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, every* owner
36 of a motor vehicle which is registered or required to be registered in
37 this State shall continuously provide, while the motor vehicle is
38 present or registered in this State, insurance provided by an
39 insurance company licensed by the Division of Insurance of the
40 Department of Business and Industry and approved to do business in
41 this State:

42 ~~for~~ (a) In the amount of \$15,000 for bodily injury to or death of
43 one person in any one accident;



~~12.1~~ (b) Subject to the limit for one person, in the amount of \$30,000 for bodily injury to or death of two or more persons in any one accident; and

~~13.1~~ (c) In the amount of \$10,000 for injury to or destruction of property of others in any one accident,
↳ for the payment of tort liabilities arising from the maintenance or use of the motor vehicle.

2. The provisions of this section do not apply to a moped.

Sec. 15. NRS 485.317 is hereby amended to read as follows:

485.317 1. The Department shall verify that each motor vehicle which is registered in this State is covered by a policy of liability insurance as required by NRS 485.185.

2. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the Department may use any information to verify whether a motor vehicle is covered by a policy of liability insurance as required by NRS 485.185. The Department may not use the name of the owner of a motor vehicle as the primary means of verifying that a motor vehicle is covered by a policy of liability insurance.

3. If the Department is unable to verify that a motor vehicle is covered by a policy of liability insurance as required by NRS 485.185, the Department shall send a request for information by first-class mail to the registered owner of the motor vehicle. The owner shall submit all the information which is requested to the Department within 15 days after the date on which the request for information was mailed by the Department. If the Department does not receive the requested information within 15 days after it mailed the request to the owner, the Department shall send to the owner a notice of suspension of registration by certified mail. The notice must inform the owner that unless the Department is able to verify that the motor vehicle is covered by a policy of liability insurance as required by NRS 485.185 within 10 days after the date on which the notice was sent by the Department, the owner's registration will be suspended pursuant to subsection 4.

4. The Department shall suspend the registration and require the return to the Department of the license plates of any vehicle for which the Department cannot verify the coverage of liability insurance required by NRS 485.185.

5. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, the Department shall reinstate the registration of the vehicle and reissue the license plates only upon verification of current insurance and compliance with the requirements for reinstatement of registration prescribed in paragraph (a) of subsection ~~16.1~~ 7 of NRS 482.480.

6. If the Department suspends the registration of a motor vehicle pursuant to subsection 4 because the registered owner of the motor vehicle failed to have insurance on the date specified in the



1 form for verification, and if the registered owner, in accordance with
2 regulations adopted by the Department, proves to the satisfaction of
3 the Department that the owner was unable to comply with the
4 provisions of NRS 485.185 on that date because of extenuating
5 circumstances or that the motor vehicle was a dormant vehicle and
6 the owner failed to cancel the registration in accordance with
7 subsection 3 of NRS 485.320, the Department may:

8 (a) Reinstate the registration of the motor vehicle and reissue the
9 license plates upon payment by the registered owner of a fee of \$50,
10 which must be deposited in the Account for Verification of
11 Insurance created by subsection ~~6~~ 7 of NRS 482.480; or

12 (b) Remove the suspension of the registration without the
13 payment of a fee or administrative fine.

14 ➡ The Department shall adopt regulations to carry out the
15 provisions of this subsection.

16 **Sec. 16.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2016.

