Assembly Bill No. 335– Assemblymen Edwards and Carrillo

CHAPTER.....

AN ACT relating to vehicles; requiring a person driving a moped to drive in the right lane of the highway in certain circumstances; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Under existing law, a person driving a moped upon the highways of this State is entitled to full use of the traffic lane the moped is occupying and is entitled to all the rights and subject to all the duties applicable to the driver of a motor vehicle as provided by law. (NRS 486.331, 486.341) **Section 7** of this bill requires a person driving a moped, except a police officer in the performance of his or her duty, to drive in the extreme right-hand lane of the highway if the highway has two or more clearly marked lanes for traveling in the same direction in which the driver is traveling. Exceptions are provided for: (1) when the driver is preparing to turn left; (2) when driving to the right side of the roadway would not be safe; and (3) compliance with the directions of a police officer. Existing law makes a violation of this section a misdemeanor. (NRS 486.381) **Section 6** of this bill makes a conforming change.

EXPLANATION - Matter in **bolded italics** is new; matter between brackets formitted material is material to be omitted.

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

Sections 1-5. (Deleted by amendment.)

Sec. 6. NRS 486.331 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 486.331 [A] Except as otherwise provided in NRS 486.351, a person driving a motorcycle or moped upon a highway is entitled to all the rights and subject to all the duties applicable to the drivers of motor vehicles as provided by law, except those provisions which by their nature can have no application.
 - **Sec. 7.** NRS 486.351 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 486.351 1. A person, except a police officer in the performance of his or her duty, shall not drive a motorcycle or moped between moving or stationary vehicles occupying adjacent traffic lanes.
- 2. Except as provided in subsection 3, a person shall not drive a motorcycle, moped or trimobile abreast of or overtake or pass another vehicle within the same traffic lane.
- 3. Motorcycles and mopeds may, with the consent of the drivers, be operated no more than two abreast in a single traffic lane.



- 4. A person, except a police officer in the performance of his or her duty, driving a moped shall, except:
 - (a) When preparing to turn left as provided in subsection 5;
 - (b) When doing so would not be safe; or
 - (c) In compliance with the directions of a police officer,
- If the highway has two or more clearly marked lanes for traffic traveling in the same direction in which the driver is traveling.
- 5. A person driving a moped as required pursuant to subsection 4 who is preparing to turn left may enter the lane from which the left turn will be made not more than one-quarter of a mile from where the left turn will be made.
 - **Sec. 8.** (Deleted by amendment.)
 - **Sec. 9.** This act becomes effective on January 1, 2018.



