ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 87–COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND LABOR

(ON BEHALF OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL)

Prefiled November 21, 2018

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Increases the penalty for insurance fraud in certain circumstances. (BDR 57-410)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: Yes.

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

AN ACT relating to insurance fraud; increasing the penalty for insurance fraud in certain circumstances; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law defines "insurance fraud" to mean knowingly and willfully committing various actions including knowingly and willfully presenting false or misleading information in a statement as part of a claim for payment or other benefits under a policy of insurance. (NRS 686A.2815) Existing law makes it a category D felony to commit insurance fraud. (NRS 686A.291) This bill instead increases the penalty for insurance fraud to a category B felony when, in the course of or in the furtherance of the insurance fraud, the person who commits the insurance fraud also intentionally causes one or more motor vehicles to crash into one or more other motor vehicles.

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

Section 1. NRS 686A.291 is hereby amended to read as follows:

686A.291 [A]

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, a person who commits insurance fraud is guilty of a category D felony and shall be punished as provided in NRS 193.130.





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2. A person who commits insurance fraud and, in the course of or in furtherance of the insurance fraud, intentionally causes one or more motor vehicles to crash into one or more other motor vehicles is guilty of a category B felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for a minimum term of not less than 1 year and a maximum term of not more than 20 years, and may be further punished by a fine of not more than \$50,000.

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3. As used in this section, "motor vehicle" means every vehicle which is self-propelled and operated on a highway.

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2019.





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