

SENATE BILL NO. 434—COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to marijuana.
(BDR 14-271)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.
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 marijuana; providing for the vacating of certain judgments of conviction and sealing of certain records relating to marijuana; revising provisions relating to prohibited acts concerning the use of marijuana and the operation of a vehicle or vessel; prohibiting the denial of employment because of the presence of marijuana in a screening test taken by a prospective employee; prohibiting an employer from requesting an employee take a screening test to detect the presence of marijuana without probable cause to believe the employee is under the influence of marijuana; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law authorizes a court to grant a motion to vacate a judgment of conviction in certain circumstances. (NRS 176.515, 179.247) Existing law also establishes a process for sealing certain records of criminal proceedings. (NRS 179.2405-179.301) With certain limited exceptions, if the court orders a person's record of criminal history sealed, all proceedings recounted in the record are deemed never to have occurred. (NRS 179.285) **Section 2** of this bill provides that if a person is convicted of a misdemeanor for certain offenses involving marijuana and the act constituting the offense is a lawful act in this State on or after January 1, 2017, the person may petition the court to vacate the judgment and seal all documents relating to the case. **Section 2** establishes the circumstances in which the court is required or authorized to grant such a petition. **Section 3** of this bill authorizes a district attorney to petition a court to vacate a judgment and seal all documents related to a case on behalf of a person convicted of an offense described in **section 2** or on behalf of a group of similarly situated persons. **Section 3** requires a district attorney to provide certain notice at least 30 days before filing such a petition.



Existing law provides that it is unlawful for any person to drive or be in actual physical control of a vehicle on a highway or on premises to which the public has access if the person: (1) is under the influence of a controlled substance; or (2) has an amount of marijuana or marijuana metabolite in his or her blood that is equal to or greater than 2 nanograms per milliliter or 5 nanograms per milliliter, respectively. (NRS 484C.110) Existing law defines "under the influence" as impaired to a degree that renders a person incapable of safely driving or exercising actual physical control of a vehicle. (NRS 484C.105) **Section 12** of this bill eliminates provisions making it unlawful for a person to drive, operate or be in actual physical control of a vehicle or vessel with specified amounts of marijuana or marijuana metabolite in his or her blood, and instead creates a rebuttable presumption that a person with an amount of marijuana or marijuana metabolite in his or her blood that is equal to or greater than 5 nanograms per milliliter is under the influence of a controlled substance for the purposes of existing law. **Sections 13 and 16** of this bill make the same changes to similar provisions of existing law relating to a person driving or being in actual physical control of a commercial motor vehicle on a highway or on premises to which the public has access or operating or being in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail on the waters of this State, respectively. **Sections 14, 15, 17 and 18** of this bill make conforming changes.

Existing law establishes various unlawful employment practices. (Chapter 613 of NRS) **Section 19** of this bill prohibits an employer from denying employment to a prospective employee because the prospective employee has submitted to a drug screening test and the test indicates the presence of marijuana. **Section 19** further prohibits an employer from requesting an employee take a screening test to detect the presence of marijuana unless the employer has probable cause to believe that the employee is under the influence of marijuana. **Sections 10 and 11** of this bill revise provisions related to screening testing of state employees to conform to these changes.

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

Section 1. Chapter 179 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 and 3 of this act.

Sec. 2. 1. *If a person has been convicted of a misdemeanor for the possession of 1 ounce or less of marijuana in violation of subsection 4 of NRS 453.336 or for a violation of any other provision of law concerning an offense involving marijuana, if the act constituting such an offense is a lawful act in this State on or after January 1, 2017, the person may petition the court in which he or she was convicted or, if the person wishes to file more than one petition and would otherwise need to file a petition in more than one court, the district court, for an order:*

(a) Vacating the judgment; and

(b) Sealing all documents, papers and exhibits in the record of the person, minute book entries and entries on dockets and other documents relating to the case in the custody of such other agencies and officers as are named in the order of the court.



2. A petition filed pursuant to subsection 1 must satisfy the requirements of NRS 179.245.

3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, the court:

(a) Shall grant a petition filed pursuant to subsection 1 if the judgment is a misdemeanor conviction for the possession of 1 ounce or less of marijuana in violation of subsection 4 of NRS 453.336.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (a), may grant a petition filed pursuant to subsection 1 if the judgment is a misdemeanor conviction for a violation of any provision of law concerning an offense involving marijuana and the act constituting the offense is a lawful act in this State on or after January 1, 2017.

4. Before the court decides whether to grant a petition pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 3:

(a) The petitioner must notify the office of the prosecuting attorney who prosecuted the petitioner for the crime; and

(b) The prosecuting attorney must be allowed to testify and present evidence.

5. If the court grants a petition filed pursuant to subsection 1, the court shall:

(a) Vacate the judgment and dismiss the accusatory pleading; and

(b) Order sealed all documents, papers and exhibits in the record of the petitioner, minute book entries and entries on dockets, and other documents relating to the case in the custody of such other agencies and officers as are named in the order of the court.

6. If a petition filed pursuant to subsection 1 does not satisfy the requirements of NRS 179.245 or the court determines that the petition is otherwise deficient with respect to the sealing of the record of the petitioner, the court may enter an order to vacate the judgment and dismiss the accusatory pleading if the petitioner satisfies all requirements necessary for the judgment to be vacated.

7. If the court enters an order pursuant to subsection 6, the court shall also order sealed the records of the petitioner which relate to the judgment being vacated in accordance with paragraph (b) of subsection 5, regardless of whether any records relating to other convictions are ineligible for sealing, either by operation of law or because of a deficiency in the petition.

Sec. 3. 1. A district attorney may, on behalf a person described in subsection 1 of section 2 of this act or on behalf of a group of similarly situated persons, petition the court in which the person was convicted or, if filing a petition on behalf of a group of persons, the district court, for an order:



(a) *Vacating the judgment or judgments; and*
(b) *Sealing all documents, papers and exhibits in the record or records of the person or persons, minute book entries and entries on dockets and other documents relating to the case or cases in the custody of such other agencies and officers as are named in the order of the court.*

2. *The provisions of section 2 of this act, except subsection 4 of that section, apply to a petition filed pursuant to subsection 1.*

3. *A district attorney shall provide to each person on whose behalf the district attorney intends to petition a court pursuant to subsection 1 written notice of his or her intention at least 30 days before filing such a petition.*

4. *A person may submit to a district attorney a request that the district attorney refrain from filing a petition pursuant to subsection 1 on his or her behalf. If a person submits such a request, a district attorney shall not file a petition pursuant to subsection 1 on behalf of that person.*

Sec. 4. NRS 179.2405 is hereby amended to read as follows:

179.2405 The Legislature hereby declares that the public policy of this State is to favor the giving of second chances to offenders who are rehabilitated and the sealing of the records of such persons in accordance with NRS 179.2405 to 179.301, inclusive **H**, *and sections 2 and 3 of this act.*

Sec. 5. NRS 179.241 is hereby amended to read as follows:

179.241 As used in NRS 179.2405 to 179.301, inclusive, *and sections 2 and 3 of this act*, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in NRS 179.242, 179.243 and 179.244 have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

Sec. 6. NRS 179.245 is hereby amended to read as follows:

179.245 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6 and NRS 176A.265, 176A.295, 179.247, 179.259, 201.354, 453.3365 and 458.330 **H** *and sections 2 and 3 of this act*, a person may petition the court in which the person was convicted for the sealing of all records relating to a conviction of:

(a) A category A felony, a crime of violence pursuant to NRS 200.408 or burglary pursuant to NRS 205.060 after 10 years from the date of release from actual custody or discharge from parole or probation, whichever occurs later;

(b) Except as otherwise provided in paragraphs (a) and (e), a category B, C or D felony after 5 years from the date of release from actual custody or discharge from parole or probation, whichever occurs later;

(c) A category E felony after 2 years from the date of release from actual custody or discharge from parole or probation, whichever occurs later;



(d) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (e), any gross misdemeanor after 2 years from the date of release from actual custody or discharge from probation, whichever occurs later;

(e) A violation of NRS 422.540 to 422.570, inclusive, a violation of NRS 484C.110 or 484C.120 other than a felony, or a battery which constitutes domestic violence pursuant to NRS 33.018 other than a felony, after 7 years from the date of release from actual custody or from the date when the person is no longer under a suspended sentence, whichever occurs later;

(f) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (e), if the offense is punished as a misdemeanor, a battery pursuant to NRS 200.481, harassment pursuant to NRS 200.571, stalking pursuant to NRS 200.575 or a violation of a temporary or extended order for protection, after 2 years from the date of release from actual custody or from the date when the person is no longer under a suspended sentence, whichever occurs later; or

(g) Any other misdemeanor after 1 year from the date of release from actual custody or from the date when the person is no longer under a suspended sentence, whichever occurs later.

2. A petition filed pursuant to subsection 1 must:

(a) Be accompanied by the petitioner's current, verified records received from the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History;

(b) If the petition references NRS 453.3365 or 458.330, include a certificate of acknowledgment or the disposition of the proceedings for the records to be sealed from all agencies of criminal justice which maintain such records;

(c) Include a list of any other public or private agency, company, official or other custodian of records that is reasonably known to the petitioner to have possession of records of the conviction and to whom the order to seal records, if issued, will be directed; and

(d) Include information that, to the best knowledge and belief of the petitioner, accurately and completely identifies the records to be sealed, including, without limitation, the:

(1) Date of birth of the petitioner;

(2) Specific conviction to which the records to be sealed pertain; and

(3) Date of arrest relating to the specific conviction to which the records to be sealed pertain.

3. Upon receiving a petition pursuant to this section, the court shall notify the law enforcement agency that arrested the petitioner for the crime and the prosecuting attorney, including, without limitation, the Attorney General, who prosecuted the petitioner for the crime. The prosecuting attorney and any person having relevant



evidence may testify and present evidence at any hearing on the petition.

4. If the prosecuting attorney who prosecuted the petitioner for the crime stipulates to the sealing of the records after receiving notification pursuant to subsection 3 and the court makes the findings set forth in subsection 5, the court may order the sealing of the records in accordance with subsection 5 without a hearing. If the prosecuting attorney does not stipulate to the sealing of the records, a hearing on the petition must be conducted.

5. If the court finds that, in the period prescribed in subsection 1, the petitioner has not been charged with any offense for which the charges are pending or convicted of any offense, except for minor moving or standing traffic violations, the court may order sealed all records of the conviction which are in the custody of any agency of criminal justice or any public or private agency, company, official or other custodian of records in the State of Nevada, and may also order all such records of the petitioner returned to the file of the court where the proceeding was commenced from, including, without limitation, the Federal Bureau of Investigation and all other agencies of criminal justice which maintain such records and which are reasonably known by either the petitioner or the court to have possession of such records.

6. A person may not petition the court to seal records relating to a conviction of:

- (a) A crime against a child;
- (b) A sexual offense;
- (c) A violation of NRS 484C.110 or 484C.120 that is punishable as a felony pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection 1 of NRS 484C.400;
- (d) A violation of NRS 484C.430;
- (e) A homicide resulting from driving or being in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance or resulting from any other conduct prohibited by NRS 484C.110, 484C.130 or 484C.430;
- (f) A violation of NRS 488.410 that is punishable as a felony pursuant to NRS 488.427; or
- (g) A violation of NRS 488.420 or 488.425.

7. If the court grants a petition for the sealing of records pursuant to this section, upon the request of the person whose records are sealed, the court may order sealed all records of the civil proceeding in which the records were sealed.

8. As used in this section:

(a) "Crime against a child" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 179D.0357.

(b) "Sexual offense" means:



(1) Murder of the first degree committed in the perpetration or attempted perpetration of sexual assault or of sexual abuse or sexual molestation of a child less than 14 years of age pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1 of NRS 200.030.

(2) Sexual assault pursuant to NRS 200.366.

(3) Statutory sexual seduction pursuant to NRS 200.368, if punishable as a felony.

(4) Battery with intent to commit sexual assault pursuant to NRS 200.400.

(5) An offense involving the administration of a drug to another person with the intent to enable or assist the commission of a felony pursuant to NRS 200.405, if the felony is an offense listed in this paragraph.

(6) An offense involving the administration of a controlled substance to another person with the intent to enable or assist the commission of a crime of violence pursuant to NRS 200.408, if the crime of violence is an offense listed in this paragraph.

(7) Abuse of a child pursuant to NRS 200.508, if the abuse involved sexual abuse or sexual exploitation.

(8) An offense involving pornography and a minor pursuant to NRS 200.710 to 200.730, inclusive.

(9) Incest pursuant to NRS 201.180.

(10) Open or gross lewdness pursuant to NRS 201.210, if punishable as a felony.

(11) Indecent or obscene exposure pursuant to NRS 201.220, if punishable as a felony.

(12) Lewdness with a child pursuant to NRS 201.230.

(13) Sexual penetration of a dead human body pursuant to NRS 201.450.

(14) Sexual conduct between certain employees of a school or volunteers at a school and a pupil pursuant to NRS 201.540.

(15) Sexual conduct between certain employees of a college or university and a student pursuant to NRS 201.550.

(16) Luring a child or a person with mental illness pursuant to NRS 201.560, if punishable as a felony.

(17) An attempt to commit an offense listed in this paragraph.

Sec. 7. NRS 179.275 is hereby amended to read as follows:

179.275 Where the court orders the sealing of a record pursuant to NRS 174.034, 176A.265, 176A.295, 179.245, 179.247, 179.255, 179.259, 179.2595, 201.354, 453.3365 or 458.330 ~~§~~ **or section 2 or 3 of this act**, a copy of the order must be sent to:

1. The Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History; and



2. Each agency of criminal justice and each public or private company, agency, official or other custodian of records named in the order, and that person shall seal the records in his or her custody which relate to the matters contained in the order, shall advise the court of compliance and shall then seal the order.

Sec. 8. NRS 179.285 is hereby amended to read as follows:

179.285 Except as otherwise provided in NRS 179.301:

1. If the court orders a record sealed pursuant to NRS 174.034, 176A.265, 176A.295, 179.245, 179.247, 179.255, 179.259, 179.2595, 201.354, 453.3365 or 458.330 ~~H~~ *or section 2 or 3 of this act:*

(a) All proceedings recounted in the record are deemed never to have occurred, and the person to whom the order pertains may properly answer accordingly to any inquiry, including, without limitation, an inquiry relating to an application for employment, concerning the arrest, conviction, dismissal or acquittal and the events and proceedings relating to the arrest, conviction, dismissal or acquittal.

(b) The person is immediately restored to the following civil rights if the person's civil rights previously have not been restored:

- (1) The right to vote;
- (2) The right to hold office; and
- (3) The right to serve on a jury.

2. Upon the sealing of the person's records, a person who is restored to his or her civil rights pursuant to subsection 1 must be given:

(a) An official document which demonstrates that the person has been restored to the civil rights set forth in paragraph (b) of subsection 1; and

(b) A written notice informing the person that he or she has not been restored to the right to bear arms, unless the person has received a pardon and the pardon does not restrict his or her right to bear arms.

3. A person who has had his or her records sealed in this State or any other state and whose official documentation of the restoration of civil rights is lost, damaged or destroyed may file a written request with a court of competent jurisdiction to restore his or her civil rights pursuant to this section. Upon verification that the person has had his or her records sealed, the court shall issue an order restoring the person to the civil rights to vote, to hold office and to serve on a jury. A person must not be required to pay a fee to receive such an order.

4. A person who has had his or her records sealed in this State or any other state may present official documentation that the person has been restored to his or her civil rights or a court order restoring



civil rights as proof that the person has been restored to the right to vote, to hold office and to serve as a juror.

Sec. 9. NRS 179.295 is hereby amended to read as follows:

179.295 1. The person who is the subject of the records that are sealed pursuant to NRS 174.034, 176A.265, 176A.295, 179.245, 179.247, 179.255, 179.259, 179.2595, 201.354, 453.3365 or 458.330 *or section 2 or 3 of this act* may petition the court that ordered the records sealed to permit inspection of the records by a person named in the petition, and the court may order such inspection. Except as otherwise provided in this section, subsection 9 of NRS 179.255 and NRS 179.259 and 179.301, the court may not order the inspection of the records under any other circumstances.

2. If a person has been arrested, the charges have been dismissed and the records of the arrest have been sealed, the court may order the inspection of the records by a prosecuting attorney upon a showing that as a result of newly discovered evidence, the person has been arrested for the same or a similar offense and that there is sufficient evidence reasonably to conclude that the person will stand trial for the offense.

3. The court may, upon the application of a prosecuting attorney or an attorney representing a defendant in a criminal action, order an inspection of such records for the purpose of obtaining information relating to persons who were involved in the incident recorded.

4. This section does not prohibit a court from considering a conviction for which records have been sealed pursuant to NRS 174.034, 176A.265, 176A.295, 179.245, 179.247, 179.255, 179.259, 179.2595, 201.354, 453.3365 or 458.330 *or section 2 or 3 of this act* in determining whether to grant a petition pursuant to NRS 176A.265, 176A.295, 179.245, 179.255, 179.259, 179.2595, 453.3365 or 458.330 *or section 2 or 3 of this act* for a conviction of another offense.

Sec. 10. NRS 284.4063 is hereby amended to read as follows:

284.4063 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 and subsection ~~5~~ 6 of NRS 284.4065, an employee who:

(a) Fails to notify the employee's supervisor as soon as possible after consuming any drug which could interfere with the safe and efficient performance of the employee's duties;

(b) Fails or refuses to submit to a screening test as requested by a state agency pursuant to subsection 1 , ~~for~~ 2 *or* 3 of NRS 284.4065; or

(c) After taking a screening test which indicates the presence of a controlled substance, fails to provide proof, within 72 hours after being requested by the employee's appointing authority, that the



1 employee had taken the controlled substance as directed pursuant to
2 a current and lawful prescription issued in the employee's name,

3 ➤ is subject to disciplinary action.

4 2. The Commission may adopt regulations setting forth the
5 circumstances under which a person who holds a valid registry
6 identification card to engage in the medical use of marijuana
7 pursuant to chapter 453A of NRS is subject to disciplinary action
8 pursuant to this section.

9 **Sec. 11.** NRS 284.4065 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10 284.4065 1. Except as otherwise provided in ~~subsection~~
11 *subsections 2 ~~1~~ and 3*, an appointing authority may request an
12 employee to submit to a screening test only if the appointing
13 authority:

14 (a) Reasonably believes, based upon objective facts, that the
15 employee is under the influence of alcohol or drugs which are
16 impairing the employee's ability to perform the employee's duties
17 safely and efficiently;

18 (b) Informs the employee of the specific facts supporting its
19 belief pursuant to paragraph (a), and prepares a written record of
20 those facts; and

21 (c) Informs the employee in writing:

22 (1) Of whether the test will be for alcohol or drugs, or both;

23 (2) That the results of the test are not admissible in any
24 criminal proceeding against the employee; and

25 (3) That the employee may refuse the test, but that the
26 employee's refusal may result in the employee's dismissal or in
27 other disciplinary action being taken against the employee.

28 2. ~~Am~~ *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, an*
29 *appointing authority may request an employee to submit to a*
30 *screening test if the employee:*

31 (a) Is a law enforcement officer and, during the performance of
32 the employee's duties, the employee discharges a firearm, other than
33 by accident;

34 (b) During the performance of the employee's duties, drives a
35 motor vehicle in such a manner as to cause bodily injury to the
36 employee or another person or substantial damage to property; or

37 (c) Has or is involved in a work-related accident or injury.

38 ➤ For the purposes of this subsection, the Commission shall, by
39 regulation, define the terms "substantial damage to property" and
40 "work-related accident or injury."

41 3. *An appointing authority may request an employee to*
42 *submit to a screening test to detect the presence of marijuana only*
43 *if the appointing authority has probable cause to believe that the*
44 *employee is under the influence of marijuana.*



4. An appointing authority may place an employee who submits to a screening test on administrative leave with pay until the appointing authority receives the results of the test.

~~4-1~~ 5. An appointing authority shall:

(a) Within a reasonable time after an employee submits to a screening test to detect the general presence of a controlled substance or any other drug, allow the employee to obtain at the employee's expense an independent test of the employee's urine or blood from a laboratory of the employee's choice which is certified by the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

(b) Within a reasonable time after an employee submits to a screening test to detect the general presence of alcohol, allow the employee to obtain at the employee's expense an independent test of the employee's blood from a laboratory of the employee's choice.

(c) Provide the employee with the written results of the employee's screening test within 3 working days after it receives those results.

~~5-1~~ 6. An employee is not subject to disciplinary action for testing positive in a screening test or refusing to submit to a screening test if the appointing authority fails to comply with the provisions of this section.

~~6-1~~ 7. An appointing authority shall not use a screening test to harass an employee.

Sec. 12. NRS 484C.110 is hereby amended to read as follows:
484C.110 1. It is unlawful for any person who:

(a) Is under the influence of intoxicating liquor;

(b) Has a concentration of alcohol of 0.08 or more in his or her blood or breath; or

(c) Is found by measurement within 2 hours after driving or being in actual physical control of a vehicle to have a concentration of alcohol of 0.08 or more in his or her blood or breath,

➡ to drive or be in actual physical control of a vehicle on a highway or on premises to which the public has access.

2. It is unlawful for any person who:

(a) Is under the influence of a controlled substance;

(b) Is under the combined influence of intoxicating liquor and a controlled substance; or

(c) Inhales, ingests, applies or otherwise uses any chemical, poison or organic solvent, or any compound or combination of any of these, to a degree which renders the person incapable of safely driving or exercising actual physical control of a vehicle,

➡ to drive or be in actual physical control of a vehicle on a highway or on premises to which the public has access. The fact that any person charged with a violation of this subsection is or has been



entitled to use that drug under the laws of this State is not a defense against any charge of violating this subsection.

3. It is unlawful for any person to drive or be in actual physical control of a vehicle on a highway or on premises to which the public has access with an amount of any of the following prohibited substances in his or her blood or urine that is equal to or greater than:

Prohibited substance	Urine Nanograms per milliliter	Blood Nanograms per milliliter
(a) Amphetamine	500	100
(b) Cocaine	150	50
(c) Cocaine metabolite	150	50
(d) Heroin	2,000	50
(e) Heroin metabolite:		
(1) Morphine	2,000	50
(2) 6-monoacetyl morphine	10	10
(f) Lysergic acid diethylamide	25	10
(g) Methamphetamine	500	100
(h) Phencyclidine	25	10

~~4. It is unlawful for any person to drive or be in actual physical control of a vehicle on a highway or on premises to which the public has access with~~ *There is a rebuttable presumption that a person is under the influence of a controlled substance for the purposes of paragraph (a) of subsection 2 if the person has* an amount of any of the following prohibited substances in his or her blood that is equal to or greater than:

Prohibited substance	Blood Nanograms per milliliter
(a) Marijuana (delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol)	2 5
(b) Marijuana metabolite (11-OH-tetrahydrocannabinol)	5

5. If consumption is proven by a preponderance of the evidence, it is an affirmative defense under paragraph (c) of subsection 1 that the defendant consumed a sufficient quantity of alcohol after driving or being in actual physical control of the vehicle, and before his or her blood or breath was tested, to cause the defendant to have a concentration of alcohol of 0.08 or more in his or her blood or breath. A defendant who intends to offer this



1 defense at a trial or preliminary hearing must, not less than 14 days
2 before the trial or hearing or at such other time as the court may
3 direct, file and serve on the prosecuting attorney a written notice of
4 that intent.

5 6. A person who violates any provision of this section may be
6 subject to any additional penalty set forth in NRS 484B.130 or
7 484B.135.

8 **Sec. 13.** NRS 484C.120 is hereby amended to read as follows:

9 484C.120 1. It is unlawful for any person who:

10 (a) Is under the influence of intoxicating liquor;

11 (b) Has a concentration of alcohol of 0.04 or more but less than
12 0.08 in his or her blood or breath; or

13 (c) Is found by measurement within 2 hours after driving or
14 being in actual physical control of a commercial motor vehicle to
15 have a concentration of alcohol of 0.04 or more but less than 0.08 in
16 his or her blood or breath,

17 ➡ to drive or be in actual physical control of a commercial
18 motor vehicle on a highway or on premises to which the public has
19 access.

20 2. It is unlawful for any person who:

21 (a) Is under the influence of a controlled substance;

22 (b) Is under the combined influence of intoxicating liquor and a
23 controlled substance; or

24 (c) Inhales, ingests, applies or otherwise uses any chemical,
25 poison or organic solvent, or any compound or combination of any
26 of these, to a degree which renders the person incapable of safely
27 driving or exercising actual physical control of a commercial motor
28 vehicle,

29 ➡ to drive or be in actual physical control of a commercial motor
30 vehicle on a highway or on premises to which the public has access.

31 The fact that any person charged with a violation of this subsection
32 is or has been entitled to use that drug under the laws of this State is
33 not a defense against any charge of violating this subsection.

34 3. It is unlawful for any person to drive or be in actual physical
35 control of a commercial motor vehicle on a highway or on premises
36 to which the public has access with an amount of any of the
37 following prohibited substances in his or her blood or urine that is
38 equal to or greater than:

Prohibited substance	Urine	Blood
	Nanograms per milliliter	Nanograms per milliliter
(a) Amphetamine	500	100
(b) Cocaine	150	50



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1	(c) Cocaine metabolite	150	50
2	(d) Heroin	2,000	50
3	(e) Heroin metabolite:		
4	(1) Morphine	2,000	50
5	(2) 6-monoacetyl morphine	10	10
6	(f) Lysergic acid diethylamide	25	10
7	(g) Methamphetamine	500	100
8	(h) Phencyclidine	25	10

4. ~~It is unlawful for any person to drive or be in actual physical control of a commercial motor vehicle on a highway or on premises to which the public has access with~~ *There is a rebuttable presumption that a person is under the influence of a controlled substance for the purposes of paragraph (a) of subsection 2 if the person has* an amount of any of the following prohibited substances in his or her blood that is equal to or greater than:

Prohibited substance	Blood Nanograms per milliliter
(a) Marijuana (delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol)	2 5
(b) Marijuana metabolite (11-OH-tetrahydrocannabinol)	5

5. If consumption is proven by a preponderance of the evidence, it is an affirmative defense under paragraph (c) of subsection 1 that the defendant consumed a sufficient quantity of alcohol after driving or being in actual physical control of the commercial motor vehicle, and before his or her blood or breath was tested, to cause the defendant to have a concentration of alcohol of 0.04 or more in his or her blood or breath. A defendant who intends to offer this defense at a trial or preliminary hearing must, not less than 14 days before the trial or hearing or at such other time as the court may direct, file and serve on the prosecuting attorney a written notice of that intent.

6. A person who violates any provision of this section may be subject to any additional penalty set forth in NRS 484B.130 or 484B.135.

7. As used in this section:

(a) "Commercial motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle or combination of motor vehicles used in commerce to transport passengers or property if the motor vehicle:



(1) Has a gross combination weight rating of 26,001 or more pounds which includes a towed unit with a gross vehicle weight rating of more than 10,000 pounds;

(2) Has a gross vehicle weight rating of 26,001 or more pounds;

(3) Is designed to transport 16 or more passengers, including the driver; or

(4) Regardless of size, is used in the transportation of materials which are considered to be hazardous for the purposes of the federal Hazardous Materials Transportation Act, 49 U.S.C. §§ 5101 et. seq., and for which the display of identifying placards is required pursuant to 49 C.F.R. Part 172, Subpart F.

(b) The phrase "concentration of alcohol of 0.04 or more but less than 0.08 in his or her blood or breath" means 0.04 gram or more but less than 0.08 gram of alcohol per 100 milliliters of the blood of a person or per 210 liters of his or her breath.

Sec. 14. NRS 484C.130 is hereby amended to read as follows:
484C.130 1. A person commits vehicular homicide if the person:

(a) Drives or is in actual physical control of a vehicle on or off the highways of this State and:

(1) Is under the influence of intoxicating liquor;

(2) Has a concentration of alcohol of 0.08 or more in his or her blood or breath;

(3) Is found by measurement within 2 hours after driving or being in actual physical control of a vehicle to have a concentration of alcohol of 0.08 or more in his or her blood or breath;

(4) Is under the influence of a controlled substance or is under the combined influence of intoxicating liquor and a controlled substance;

(5) Inhales, ingests, applies or otherwise uses any chemical, poison or organic solvent, or any compound or combination of any of these, to a degree which renders the person incapable of safely driving or exercising actual physical control of a vehicle; or

(6) Has a prohibited substance in his or her blood or urine ~~as applicable,~~ in an amount that is equal to or greater than the amount set forth in subsection 3 ~~for 4~~ of NRS 484C.110;

(b) Proximately causes the death of another person while driving or in actual physical control of a vehicle on or off the highways of this State; and

(c) Has previously been convicted of at least three offenses.

2. If consumption is proven by a preponderance of the evidence, it is an affirmative defense under subparagraph (3) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1 that the defendant consumed a sufficient quantity of alcohol after driving or being in actual



1 physical control of the vehicle, and before his or her blood or breath
2 was tested, to cause the defendant to have a concentration of alcohol
3 of 0.08 or more in his or her blood or breath. A defendant who
4 intends to offer this defense at a trial or preliminary hearing must,
5 not less than 14 days before the trial or hearing or at such other time
6 as the court may direct, file and serve on the prosecuting attorney a
7 written notice of that intent.

8 3. *There is a rebuttable presumption that a person is under*
9 *the influence of a controlled substance for the purposes of*
10 *subparagraph (4) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1 if the person*
11 *has a prohibited substance in his or her blood in an amount that is*
12 *equal to or greater than the amount set forth in subsection 4 of*
13 *NRS 484C.110.*

14 4. As used in this section, "offense" means:

15 (a) A violation of NRS 484C.110, 484C.120 or 484C.430;

16 (b) A homicide resulting from driving or being in actual
17 physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of
18 intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance or resulting from any
19 other conduct prohibited by this section or NRS 484C.110 or
20 484C.430; or

21 (c) A violation of a law of any other jurisdiction that prohibits
22 the same or similar conduct as set forth in paragraph (a) or (b).

23 **Sec. 15.** NRS 484C.430 is hereby amended to read as
24 follows:

25 484C.430 1. Unless a greater penalty is provided pursuant to
26 NRS 484C.440, a person who:

27 (a) Is under the influence of intoxicating liquor;

28 (b) Has a concentration of alcohol of 0.08 or more in his or her
29 blood or breath;

30 (c) Is found by measurement within 2 hours after driving or
31 being in actual physical control of a vehicle to have a concentration
32 of alcohol of 0.08 or more in his or her blood or breath;

33 (d) Is under the influence of a controlled substance or is under
34 the combined influence of intoxicating liquor and a controlled
35 substance;

36 (e) Inhales, ingests, applies or otherwise uses any chemical,
37 poison or organic solvent, or any compound or combination of any
38 of these, to a degree which renders the person incapable of safely
39 driving or exercising actual physical control of a vehicle; or

40 (f) Has a prohibited substance in his or her blood or urine ~~[-as~~
41 ~~applicable.]~~ in an amount that is equal to or greater than the amount
42 set forth in subsection 3 ~~[or 4]~~ of NRS 484C.110,

43 ➡ and does any act or neglects any duty imposed by law while
44 driving or in actual physical control of any vehicle on or off the
45 highways of this State, if the act or neglect of duty proximately



1 causes the death of, or substantial bodily harm to, another person, is
2 guilty of a category B felony and shall be punished by imprisonment
3 in the state prison for a minimum term of not less than 2 years and a
4 maximum term of not more than 20 years and must be further
5 punished by a fine of not less than \$2,000 nor more than \$5,000. A
6 person so imprisoned must, insofar as practicable, be segregated
7 from offenders whose crimes were violent and, insofar as
8 practicable, be assigned to an institution or facility of minimum
9 security.

10 2. A prosecuting attorney shall not dismiss a charge of
11 violating the provisions of subsection 1 in exchange for a plea of
12 guilty, guilty but mentally ill or nolo contendere to a lesser charge or
13 for any other reason unless the attorney knows or it is obvious that
14 the charge is not supported by probable cause or cannot be proved at
15 the time of trial. A sentence imposed pursuant to subsection 1 may
16 not be suspended nor may probation be granted.

17 3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, if
18 consumption is proven by a preponderance of the evidence, it is an
19 affirmative defense under paragraph (c) of subsection 1 that the
20 defendant consumed a sufficient quantity of alcohol after driving or
21 being in actual physical control of the vehicle, and before his or her
22 blood or breath was tested, to cause the defendant to have a
23 concentration of alcohol of 0.08 or more in his or her blood or
24 breath. A defendant who intends to offer this defense at a trial or
25 preliminary hearing must, not less than 14 days before the trial
26 or hearing or at such other time as the court may direct, file and
27 serve on the prosecuting attorney a written notice of that intent.

28 4. If the defendant is also charged with violating the provisions
29 of NRS 484E.010, 484E.020 or 484E.030, the defendant may not
30 offer the affirmative defense set forth in subsection 3.

31 5. If the defendant was transporting a person who is less than
32 15 years of age in the motor vehicle at the time of the violation, the
33 court shall consider that fact as an aggravating factor in determining
34 the sentence of the defendant.

35 *6. There is a rebuttable presumption that a person is under*
36 *the influence of a controlled substance for the purposes of*
37 *paragraph (d) of subsection 1 if the person has a prohibited*
38 *substance in his or her blood in an amount that is equal to or*
39 *greater than the amount set forth in subsection 4 of*
40 *NRS 484C.110.*

41 **Sec. 16.** NRS 488.410 is hereby amended to read as follows:

42 488.410 1. It is unlawful for any person who:

43 (a) Is under the influence of intoxicating liquor;

44 (b) Has a concentration of alcohol of 0.08 or more in his or her
45 blood or breath; or



(c) Is found by measurement within 2 hours after operating or being in actual physical control of a vessel to have a concentration of alcohol of 0.08 or more in his or her blood or breath, to operate or be in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail on the waters of this State.

2. It is unlawful for any person who:

(a) Is under the influence of a controlled substance;

(b) Is under the combined influence of intoxicating liquor and a controlled substance; or

(c) Inhales, ingests, applies or otherwise uses any chemical, poison or organic solvent, or any compound or combination of any of these, to a degree which renders the person incapable of safely operating or exercising actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail,

to operate or be in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail on the waters of this State.

3. It is unlawful for any person to operate or be in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail on the waters of this State with an amount of any of the following prohibited substances in his or her blood or urine that is equal to or greater than:

Prohibited substance	Urine Nanograms per milliliter	Blood Nanograms per milliliter
(a) Amphetamine	500	100
(b) Cocaine	150	50
(c) Cocaine metabolite	150	50
(d) Heroin	2,000	50
(e) Heroin metabolite:		
(1) Morphine	2,000	50
(2) 6-monoacetyl morphine	10	10
(f) Lysergic acid diethylamide	25	10
(g) Methamphetamine	500	100
(h) Phencyclidine	25	10

~~4. It is unlawful for any person to operate or be in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail on the waters of this State with~~ *There is a rebuttable presumption that a person is under the influence of a controlled substance for the purposes of paragraph (a) of subsection 2 if the person has* an amount of any of the following prohibited substances in his or her blood that is equal to or greater than:



	Blood
	Nanograms
	per milliliter
Prohibited substance	
(a) Marijuana (delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol)	21 5
(b) Marijuana metabolite (11-OH-tetrahydrocannabinol)	5

5. If consumption is proven by a preponderance of the evidence, it is an affirmative defense under paragraph (c) of subsection 1 that the defendant consumed a sufficient quantity of alcohol after operating or being in actual physical control of the vessel, and before his or her blood was tested, to cause the defendant to have a concentration of 0.08 or more of alcohol in his or her blood or breath. A defendant who intends to offer this defense at a trial or preliminary hearing must, not less than 14 days before the trial or hearing or at such other time as the court may direct, file and serve on the prosecuting attorney a written notice of that intent.

6. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 488.427, a person who violates the provisions of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Sec. 17. NRS 488.420 is hereby amended to read as follows:

488.420 1. Unless a greater penalty is provided pursuant to NRS 488.425, a person who:

(a) Is under the influence of intoxicating liquor;

(b) Has a concentration of alcohol of 0.08 or more in his or her blood or breath;

(c) Is found by measurement within 2 hours after operating or being in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail to have a concentration of alcohol of 0.08 or more in his or her blood or breath;

(d) Is under the influence of a controlled substance or is under the combined influence of intoxicating liquor and a controlled substance;

(e) Inhales, ingests, applies or otherwise uses any chemical, poison or organic solvent, or any compound or combination of any of these, to a degree which renders the person incapable of safely operating or being in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail; or

(f) Has a prohibited substance in his or her blood or urine ~~as applicable,~~ in an amount that is equal to or greater than the amount set forth in subsection 3 ~~for 4~~ of NRS 488.410,

➔ and does any act or neglects any duty imposed by law while operating or being in actual physical control of any vessel under power or sail, if the act or neglect of duty proximately causes the death of, or substantial bodily harm to, another person, is guilty of a category B felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the



1 state prison for a minimum term of not less than 2 years and a
2 maximum term of not more than 20 years and shall be further
3 punished by a fine of not less than \$2,000 nor more than \$5,000. A
4 person so imprisoned must, insofar as practicable, be segregated
5 from offenders whose crimes were violent and, insofar as
6 practicable, be assigned to an institution or facility of minimum
7 security.

8 2. A prosecuting attorney shall not dismiss a charge of
9 violating the provisions of subsection 1 in exchange for a plea of
10 guilty, guilty but mentally ill or nolo contendere to a lesser charge or
11 for any other reason unless the prosecuting attorney knows or it is
12 obvious that the charge is not supported by probable cause or cannot
13 be proved at the time of trial. A sentence imposed pursuant to
14 subsection 1 must not be suspended, and probation must not be
15 granted.

16 3. If consumption is proven by a preponderance of the
17 evidence, it is an affirmative defense under paragraph (c) of
18 subsection 1 that the defendant consumed a sufficient quantity of
19 alcohol after operating or being in actual physical control of the
20 vessel under power or sail, and before his or her blood was tested, to
21 cause the defendant to have a concentration of alcohol of 0.08 or
22 more in his or her blood or breath. A defendant who intends to offer
23 this defense at a trial or preliminary hearing must, not less than 14
24 days before the trial or hearing or at such other time as the court
25 may direct, file and serve on the prosecuting attorney a written
26 notice of that intent.

27 4. If a person less than 15 years of age was in the vessel at the
28 time of the defendant's violation, the court shall consider that fact as
29 an aggravating factor in determining the sentence of the defendant.

30 *5. There is a rebuttable presumption that a person is under*
31 *the influence of a controlled substance for the purposes of*
32 *paragraph (d) of subsection 1 if the person has a prohibited*
33 *substance in his or her blood in an amount that is equal to or*
34 *greater than the amount set forth in subsection 4 of NRS 488.410.*

35 **Sec. 18.** NRS 488.425 is hereby amended to read as follows:

36 488.425 1. A person commits homicide by vessel if the
37 person:

38 (a) Operates or is in actual physical control of a vessel under
39 power or sail on the waters of this State and:

40 (1) Is under the influence of intoxicating liquor;

41 (2) Has a concentration of alcohol of 0.08 or more in his or
42 her blood or breath;

43 (3) Is found by measurement within 2 hours after operating
44 or being in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail to



1 have a concentration of alcohol of 0.08 or more in his or her blood
2 or breath;

3 (4) Is under the influence of a controlled substance or is
4 under the combined influence of intoxicating liquor and a controlled
5 substance;

6 (5) Inhales, ingests, applies or otherwise uses any chemical,
7 poison or organic solvent, or any compound or combination of any
8 of these, to a degree which renders the person incapable of safely
9 operating or exercising actual physical control of a vessel under
10 power or sail; or

11 (6) Has a prohibited substance in his or her blood or urine ~~for~~
12 ~~as applicable,~~ in an amount that is equal to or greater than the
13 amount set forth in subsection 3 ~~for 4~~ of NRS 488.410;

14 (b) Proximately causes the death of another person while
15 operating or in actual physical control of a vessel under power or
16 sail; and

17 (c) Has previously been convicted of at least three offenses.

18 2. A person who commits homicide by vessel is guilty of a
19 category A felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the
20 state prison:

21 (a) For life with the possibility of parole, with eligibility for
22 parole beginning when a minimum of 10 years has been served; or

23 (b) For a definite term of 25 years, with eligibility for parole
24 beginning when a minimum of 10 years has been served.

25 3. A person imprisoned pursuant to subsection 2 must, insofar
26 as practicable, be segregated from offenders whose crimes were
27 violent and, insofar as practicable, be assigned to an institution or
28 facility of minimum security.

29 4. A prosecuting attorney shall not dismiss a charge of
30 homicide by vessel in exchange for a plea of guilty, guilty but
31 mentally ill or nolo contendere to a lesser charge or for any other
32 reason unless the prosecuting attorney knows or it is obvious that
33 the charge is not supported by probable cause or cannot be proved at
34 the time of trial. A sentence imposed pursuant to subsection 2 may
35 not be suspended nor may probation be granted.

36 5. If consumption is proven by a preponderance of the
37 evidence, it is an affirmative defense under subparagraph (3) of
38 paragraph (a) of subsection 1 that the defendant consumed a
39 sufficient quantity of alcohol after operating or being in actual
40 physical control of the vessel, and before his or her blood or breath
41 was tested, to cause the defendant to have a concentration of alcohol
42 of 0.08 or more in his or her blood or breath. A defendant who
43 intends to offer this defense at a trial or preliminary hearing must,
44 not less than 14 days before the trial or hearing or at such other time



as the court may direct, file and serve on the prosecuting attorney a written notice of that intent.

6. If the defendant was transporting a person who is less than 15 years of age in the vessel at the time of the violation, the court shall consider that fact as an aggravating factor in determining the sentence of the defendant.

7. There is a rebuttable presumption that a person is under the influence of a controlled substance for the purposes of subparagraph (4) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1 if the person has a prohibited substance in his or her blood in an amount that is equal to or greater than the amount set forth in subsection 4 of NRS 488.410.

8. As used in this section, "offense" means:

(a) A violation of NRS 488.410 or 488.420;

(b) A homicide resulting from operating or being in actual physical control of a vessel while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance or resulting from any other conduct prohibited by this section or NRS 488.410 or 488.420; or

(c) A violation of a law of any other jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct as set forth in paragraph (a) or (b).

Sec. 19. Chapter 613 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. Except as otherwise specifically provided by law, it is unlawful for any employer in this State to:

(a) Fail or refuse to hire a prospective employee because the prospective employee submitted to a screening test and the results of the screening test indicate the presence of marijuana.

(b) Request an employee to submit to a screening test to detect the presence of marijuana unless the employer has probable cause to believe the employee is under the influence of marijuana.

2. As used in this section, "screening test" means a test of a person's blood, urine, hair or saliva to detect the general presence of a controlled substance or any other drug.

Sec. 20. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2019.

