Amendment No. 364

Senate A	(BDR 20-402)						
Proposed by: Senate Committee on Government Affairs							
Amends:	Summary: No	Title: No	Preamble: No	Joint Sponsorship: No	Digest: Yes		

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EXPLANATION: Matter in (1) *blue bold italics* is new language in the original bill; (2) variations of <u>green bold underlining</u> is language proposed to be added in this amendment; (3) <u>red strikethrough</u> is deleted language in the original bill; (4) <u>purple double strikethrough</u> is language proposed to be deleted in this amendment; (5) <u>orange double underlining</u> is deleted language in the original bill proposed to be retained in this amendment.

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S.B. No. 4—Revises provisions relating to the imposition of certain penalties by ordinance for certain violations relating to fireworks.

(BDR 20-402)

Date: 4/18/2021

SENATE BILL NO. 4-COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

(ON BEHALF OF CLARK COUNTY)

Prefiled November 18, 2020

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to the imposition of certain penalties by ordinance for certain violations relating to fireworks. (BDR 20-402)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: No.

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

AN ACT relating to fireworks; revising provisions governing the authority of a board of county commissioners to enact certain ordinances related to fireworks; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Under existing law, a board of county commissioners is authorized to pass ordinances that: (1) regulate the sale, use, storage and possession of fireworks; and (2) provide penalties for a violation of such an ordinance. (NRS 244.367) This bill: (1) clarifies that the penalties that may be imposed for such a violation are criminal or civil penalties, or both; [and] (2) limits the maximum amount of a civil penalty that may be imposed pursuant to such an ordinance to [\$50,000] \$10,000 for a single violation [\$\frac{1}{2}\$; and (3) prohibits civil penalties from being imposed pursuant to such an ordinance on a person who has received a license or permit pursuant to the ordinance. Section 2 of this bill also requires the consideration of certain factors such as the number and severity of any previous offenses when determining the amount and category of civil and criminal penalties. Section 2 further provides that the prohibitions of such an ordinance do not apply to a child under the age of 18 years unless the child has been emancipated.

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Section 1 of this bill makes a conforming change related to clarifying that a board may provide both criminal and civil penalties related to the regulation, sale, use, storage

and possession of fireworks.

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

Section 1. NRS 244.33509 is hereby amended to read as follows: 244.33509

1. A Except as otherwise provided in NRS 244.367, a board of county commissioners may by ordinance provide for the imposition of a civil penalty in lieu of a criminal penalty for the violation of an ordinance enacted by the

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board concerning the licensing or regulation of businesses unless state law provides a criminal penalty for the same act or omission.

- 2. If a board of county commissioners adopts an ordinance providing for the imposition of a civil penalty in lieu of a criminal penalty as described in subsection 1, the board shall:
 - (a) Determine violations and levy civil penalties for those violations; or
- (b) Delegate to a hearing officer or hearing board the authority to determine violations and levy civil penalties for those violations.
- 3. The amount of a civil penalty levied pursuant to subsection 2 must not exceed \$1,000 for each violation.
- 4. As used in this section, an ordinance "concerning the licensing or regulation of businesses" includes, without limitation, an ordinance that:
- (a) Prescribes the criteria that must be satisfied before the business may be licensed in the county or its license may be renewed in the county;
- (b) Sets forth the licensing fee that must be paid before the business may be licensed in the county or its license may be renewed in the county;
- (c) Describes the practices, transactions or acts in which a business licensed in the county may engage;
- (d) Describes the practices, transactions or acts in which a business licensed in the county is prohibited from engaging; or
 - (e) Prohibits the operation within the county of a business that is:
 - (1) Unlicensed; or
- (2) Not licensed to engage in the particular activities in which it is engaging.
 - [Section 1.] Sec. 2. NRS 244.367 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 244.367 1. [The] Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the board of county commissioners shall have power and jurisdiction in their respective counties to pass ordinances [prohibiting,]:
- (a) **Prohibiting**, restricting, suppressing or otherwise regulating the sale, use, storage and possession of fireworks; [,] and [providing]
- (b) Providing for the imposition of criminal or civil penalties, or both, for the violation thereof. A civil penalty imposed pursuant to such an ordinance may not [exceed \$50,000]:
 - (1) Exceed \$10,000 for a single violation \square ; or
- (2) Be imposed against a person who has been issued a license or permit pursuant to the ordinance.
 - 2. An ordinance passed pursuant to subsection 1 must [provide]:
- <u>(a) Provide</u> that any license or permit that may be required for the sale of fireworks must be issued by the licensing authority for:
- [(a)] (1) The county, if the fireworks are sold within the unincorporated areas of the county; or
- [(b)] (2) A city located within the county, if the fireworks are sold within the jurisdiction of that city [...]; and
- (b) Establish factors for determining the severity of any criminal or civil penalty that take into account, without limitation, the number and severity of any previous violations.
- 3. An ordinance passed pursuant to subsection 1 must not apply to a child under the age of 18 years unless the child is emancipated.
 - [Sec. 2.] Sec. 3. This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.