#### ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 101-COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

### FEBRUARY 13, 2013

## Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing mopeds. (BDR 43-230)

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.

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

Section 2 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. (NRS 482.205, 482.210) Section 4 of this bill requires the Department of Motor Vehicles to issue a license plate to the owner of a moped upon registration of the moped. Section 4 also makes the fee imposed for the issuance of a special license plate authorized by the chapter applicable if such a license is issued for a moped. Existing law imposes a fee of \$33 to register a motorcycle. (NRS 482.480) Section 11 of this bill imposes a fee in the same amount to register a moped. Under existing law, it is a misdemeanor to violate motor vehicle registration requirements unless another penalty is specified. (NRS 482.555) By removing the exemption of mopeds from registration requirements, this bill makes the failure to register a moped a misdemeanor.

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Sections 7 and 8 of this bill make provisions which allow owners of motor vehicles to obtain prestige license plates and special license plates for a fee applicable to mopeds. (NRS 482.3667-482.3823) 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 482.3831-482.384, 484B.463-484B.470)



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

**Section 1.** NRS 482.087 is hereby amended to read as follows: 482.087 "Passenger car" means a motor vehicle designed for carrying 10 persons or less, except a motorcycle, *an electric bicycle* or [motor-driven eyele.] *a moped*.

- **Sec. 2.** NRS 482.210 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.210 1. The provisions of this chapter requiring the registration of certain vehicles do not apply to:
  - (a) Special mobile equipment.
- 9 (b) Implements of husbandry temporarily drawn, moved or otherwise propelled upon the highways.
  - (c) Any mobile home or commercial coach subject to the provisions of chapter 489 of NRS.
    - (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) <del>[Mopeds.</del>

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- 22 (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. 3.** 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, or a justice of the peace or 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. 4.** 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.
  - Sec. 5. NRS 482.272 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.272 Each license plate for a motorcycle *or moped* may contain up to six characters, including numbers and letters. Only one plate may be issued for a motorcycle ... *or moped*.
  - **Sec. 6.** 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. 7.** NRS 482.3667 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.3667 1. The Department shall establish, design and otherwise prepare for issue personalized prestige license plates and shall establish all necessary procedures not inconsistent with this section for the application and issuance of such license plates.
- 2. The Department shall issue personalized prestige license plates, upon payment of the prescribed fee, to any person who otherwise complies with the laws relating to the registration and licensing of motor vehicles or trailers for use on private passenger cars, motorcycles, *mopeds*, trucks or trailers.
- 3. Personalized prestige license plates are valid for 12 months and are renewable upon expiration. These plates may be transferred from one vehicle or trailer to another if the transfer and registration fees are paid as set out in this chapter.





- 4. In case of any conflict, the person who first made application for personalized prestige license plates and has continuously renewed them by payment of the required fee has priority.
- 5. The Department may limit by regulation the number of letters and numbers used and prohibit the use of inappropriate letters or combinations of letters and numbers.
- 6. The Department shall not assign to any person not holding the relevant office any letters and numbers denoting that the holder holds a public office.
  - **Sec. 8.** NRS 482.3824 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.3824 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 482.38279, with respect to any special license plate that is issued pursuant to NRS 482.3667 to 482.3823, inclusive, and for which additional fees are imposed for the issuance of the special license plate to generate financial support for a charitable organization:
- (a) The Director shall, at the request of the charitable organization that is benefited by the particular special license plate:
- (1) Order the design and preparation of souvenir license plates, the design of which must be substantially similar to the particular special license plate; and
- (2) Issue such souvenir license plates, for a fee established pursuant to NRS 482.3825, only to the charitable organization that is benefited by the particular special license plate. The charitable organization may resell such souvenir license plates at a price determined by the charitable organization.
- (b) The Department may, except as otherwise provided in this paragraph and after the particular special license plate is approved for issuance, issue the special license plate for a trailer, motorcycle, *moped* or other type of vehicle that is not a passenger car or light commercial vehicle, excluding vehicles required to be registered with the Department pursuant to NRS 706.801 to 706.861, inclusive, upon application by a person who is entitled to license plates pursuant to NRS 482.265 or 482.272 and who otherwise complies with the requirements for registration and licensing pursuant to this chapter or chapter 486 of NRS. The Department may not issue a special license plate for such other types of vehicles if the Department determines that the design or manufacture of the plate for those other types of vehicles would not be feasible. In addition, if the Department incurs additional costs to manufacture a special license plate for such other types of vehicles, including, without limitation, costs associated with the purchase, manufacture or modification of dies or other equipment necessary to manufacture the special license plate for such other types of vehicles, those



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additional costs must be paid from private sources without any expense to the State of Nevada.

- 2. If, as authorized pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1, the Department issues a special license plate for a trailer, motorcycle, *moped* or other type of vehicle that is not a passenger car or light commercial vehicle, the Department shall charge and collect for the issuance and renewal of such a plate the same fees that the Department would charge and collect if the other type of vehicle was a passenger car or light commercial vehicle. As used in this subsection, "fees" does not include any applicable registration or license fees or governmental services taxes.
  - 3. As used in this section:

- (a) "Additional fees" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 482.38273.
- (b) "Charitable organization" means a particular cause, charity or other entity that receives money from the imposition of additional fees in connection with the issuance of a special license plate pursuant to NRS 482.3667 to 482.3823, inclusive. The term includes the successor, if any, of a charitable organization.
  - **Sec. 9.** NRS 482.384 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 482.384 1. Upon the application of a person with a permanent disability, the Department may issue special license plates for a vehicle, including a motorcycle happlication pursuant to this chapter. The application must include a statement from a licensed physician certifying that the applicant is a person with a permanent disability. The issuance of a special license plate to a person with a permanent disability pursuant to this subsection does not preclude the issuance to such a person of a special parking placard for a vehicle other than a motorcycle or moped or a special parking sticker for a motorcycle or moped pursuant to subsection 6.
- 2. Every year after the initial issuance of special license plates to a person with a permanent disability, the Department shall require the person to renew the special license plates in accordance with the procedures for renewal of registration pursuant to this chapter. The Department shall not require a person with a permanent disability to include with the application for renewal a statement from a licensed physician certifying that the person is a person with a permanent disability.
- 3. Upon the application of an organization which provides transportation for a person with a permanent disability, disability of moderate duration or temporary disability, the Department may issue special license plates for a vehicle registered by the organization pursuant to this chapter, or the Department may issue special parking placards to the organization pursuant to this section





to be used on vehicles providing transportation to such persons. The application must include a statement from the organization certifying that:

(a) The vehicle for which the special license plates are issued is used primarily to transport persons with permanent disabilities,

disabilities of moderate duration or temporary disabilities; or

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

The Department may charge a fee for special license plates issued pursuant to this section not to exceed the fee charged for the

issuance of license plates for the same class of vehicle.

Special license plates issued pursuant to this section must 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.

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 : 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.
- 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.
- 44 A special parking sticker issued pursuant to subsection 6 45 must:



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- (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 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 Highway Fund for credit to the Account for the Program for the Education of Motorcycle Riders.
  - 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.
- [6.] 7. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7 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
- 45 of NRS 485.313 to 485.318, inclusive.





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

[8.] 9. For every permit for the operation of a golf cart, an annual fee of \$10.

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

[10.] 11. To reinstate the registration of a motor vehicle that is suspended pursuant to NRS 482.451, a fee of \$33.

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:

This fee is in lieu of any other fee specified in this chapter except the fee 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 sideloading 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 veteran with a disability or the driver of a vehicle in which any such person is a passenger.
- 9. A person with a permanent disability, disability of moderate duration or temporary disability to whom a:
- (a) Special license plate, or a special or temporary parking sticker, has been issued pursuant to NRS 482.384 shall not allow any other person to park the vehicle, for motorcycle or moped displaying the special license plate or special or temporary parking sticker in a space designated for persons who are handicapped unless the person with the permanent disability, disability of moderate duration or temporary disability is a passenger in the vehicle or on the motorcycle [,] or moped, or is being picked up or dropped off by the driver of the vehicle, for motorcycle [,] or moped, at the time that the vehicle, for motorcycle or moped is parked in the space designated for persons who are handicapped.
- (b) Special or temporary parking placard has been issued pursuant to NRS 482.384 shall not allow any other person to park the vehicle which displays the special or temporary parking placard in a space designated for persons who are handicapped unless the person with the permanent disability, disability of moderate duration or temporary disability is a passenger in the vehicle, or is being picked up or dropped off by the driver of the vehicle, at the time that it is parked in the space designated for persons who are handicapped.
- 10. A person who violates any of the provisions of subsections 5 to 9, inclusive, is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished:
  - (a) Upon the first offense, by a fine of \$250.
- (b) Upon the second offense, by a fine of \$250 and not less than 8 hours, but not more than 50 hours, of community service.
- (c) Upon the third or subsequent offense, by a fine of not less than \$500, but not more than \$1,000 and not less than 25 hours, but not more than 100 hours, of community service.
  - **Sec. 14.** 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 [6] 7 of NRS 482.480.
- 6. If a registered owner proves to the satisfaction of the Department that the vehicle was a dormant vehicle during the period in which the information provided pursuant to NRS 485.314 indicated that there was no insurance for the vehicle, the Department shall reinstate the registration and, if applicable, reissue the license plates. If such an owner of a dormant vehicle failed to cancel the registration for the vehicle in accordance with subsection 3 of NRS 485.320, the Department shall not reinstate the registration or reissue the license plates unless the owner pays the fee set forth in paragraph (b) of subsection 161 7 of NRS 482.480.
- 7. 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 form for verification, and if the registered owner, in accordance with regulations adopted by the Department, proves to the satisfaction of





the Department that the owner was unable to comply with the provisions of NRS 485.185 on that date because of extenuating circumstances, the Department may:

- (a) Reinstate the registration of the motor vehicle and reissue the license plates upon payment by the registered owner of a fee of \$50, which must be deposited in the Account for Verification of Insurance created by subsection [6] 7 of NRS 482.480; or
- (b) Rescind the suspension of the registration without the payment of a fee.
- The Department shall adopt regulations to carry out the 10 provisions of this subsection. 11 12
  - **Sec. 15.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2014.





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