

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 133—ASSEMBLYWOMEN  
BILBRAY-AXELROD AND CONSIDINE

FEBRUARY 9, 2023

Referred to Committee on Growth and Infrastructure

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to drivers’ licenses.  
(BDR 43-165)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.  
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 drivers’ licenses; requiring, under certain circumstances, that the Department of Motor Vehicles place a designation on the driver’s license of a person who is deaf or hard of hearing; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

1 Existing law authorizes the Department of Motor Vehicles to adopt regulations  
2 establishing a program for the imprinting of a symbol or other indicator of a  
3 medical condition on a driver’s license. (NRS 483.3485) Existing law further  
4 requires, upon the application of a person with a disability which limits or impairs  
5 the ability to walk, that the Department place a designation on any driver’s license  
6 issued to the person indicating that the person is a person with such disability.  
7 (NRS 483.349) **Section 1** of this bill similarly requires, upon application of a  
8 person who is deaf or hard of hearing, that the Department place on any driver’s  
9 license issued to the person a designation indicating that the person is deaf or hard  
10 of hearing.

11 **Sections 2 and 3** of this bill make conforming changes to indicate the proper  
12 placement of **section 1** in the Nevada Revised Statutes.

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

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 483 of NRS is hereby amended by adding  
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 *Upon the application of a person who is deaf or hard of*  
4 *hearing, the Department shall place on any driver’s license issued*



1 *to the person pursuant to the provisions of this chapter a*  
2 *designation that the person is deaf or hard of hearing. The*  
3 *application must include a statement from a licensed physician or*  
4 *an advanced practice registered nurse certifying that the applicant*  
5 *is a person who is deaf or hard of hearing.*

6 **Sec. 2.** NRS 483.015 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
7 483.015 Except as otherwise provided in NRS 483.330, the  
8 provisions of NRS 483.010 to 483.630, inclusive, *and section 1 of*  
9 *this act* apply only with respect to noncommercial drivers' licenses.

10 **Sec. 3.** NRS 483.020 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
11 483.020 As used in NRS 483.010 to 483.630, inclusive, *and*  
12 *section 1 of this act*, unless the context otherwise requires, the  
13 words and terms defined in NRS 483.030 to 483.190, inclusive,  
14 have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

15 **Sec. 4.** 1. This section becomes effective upon passage and  
16 approval.

17 2. Sections 1, 2 and 3 of this act become effective:

18 (a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any  
19 regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative  
20 tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and

21 (b) On January 1, 2024, for all other purposes.

