ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 215-ASSEMBLYMEMBER MONROE-MORENO

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Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to employment. (BDR 53-132)

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 [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to employment; revising provisions relating to the employment of children; providing penalties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 The federal Fair Labor Standards Act and existing state law establish certain 234567 standards relating to the employment of children. (29 U.S.C. § 212, 29 C.F.R. Part 570; chapter 609 of NRS) When such federal and state standards are different, the standards that provide the most protection to children apply. (29 U.S.C. § 218) With certain exceptions, both existing federal and state law restrict the daily and weekly number of hours worked in authorized employment by children who are 14 and 15 years of age. (29 C.F.R. § 570.35; NRS 609.240) With the exception of 8 working as certain messengers, existing state law does not place restrictions on the 9 times of day worked in authorized employment by children who are 14 years of age 10 and older and under 18 years of age. (NRS 609.230, 609.240) However, existing 11 federal law limits the times of day worked in authorized employment by children 12 who are 14 and 15 years of age to 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., except between June 1 and 13 Labor Day when the evening hours are extended to 9 p.m. (29 C.F.R. § 570.35) 14 Section 2 of this bill prohibits, with certain exceptions, work between 10 p.m. and 15 5 a.m. on any night immediately preceding a school day by a child who is: (1) 16 enrolled in high school; (2) 16 years of age or older and under 19 years of age; and 17 (3) not emancipated. Section 2 authorizes a school district or juvenile court to grant 18 an exemption from this time restriction in certain circumstances.

A person who violates the prohibitions relating to the employment of children: (1) is guilty of a misdemeanor, which is punishable by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than 6 months, or by a fine of not more than \$1,000, or by both fine or imprisonment; and (2) may be liable for certain civil penalties. (NRS 193.150, 609.650, 609.652) These penalties apply to persons who violate the time restrictions in **section 2**.





25 26 27 28 29 Existing law requires every employer in this State to conspicuously post on the premises where any person is employed a printed abstract, furnished by the Labor Commissioner, of the provisions relating to compensation, wages and hours of employment. (NRS 608.013) Section 1 of this bill requires the Labor Commissioner to prepare an abstract of the provisions relating to the employment 30 of children and post the abstract to the Internet website maintained by the Office of 31 32 33 Labor Commissioner. Section 1 also requires the Labor Commissioner to include the abstract relating to the employment of children in a two-dimensional bar code, commonly known as a QR code, or other machine-readable bar code used for 34 storing an Internet address, in the abstract relating to compensation, wages and 35 hours of employment that the Labor Commissioner is required to furnish to every 36 employer in this State.

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

Section 1. Chapter 609 of NRS is hereby amended by adding 1 2 thereto a new section to read as follows: 3 The Labor Commissioner shall: 4 Prepare an abstract of this chapter; 1. 5 2. Post the abstract on the Internet website maintained by the 6 Office of Labor Commissioner; and 7 3. Include the abstract in a two-dimensional bar code, commonly known as a QR code, or other machine-readable 8 barcode used for storing an Internet address, in any abstract 9 10 furnished to an employer pursuant to NRS 608.013. **Sec. 2.** NRS 609.240 is hereby amended to read as follows: 11 12 609.240 1. No child under the age of 16 years may be employed, permitted or suffered to work at any gainful occupation, 13 14 other than employment as a performer in the production of a motion picture or work on a farm, more than 48 hours in any 1 week, or 15 more than 8 hours in any 1 day. 16 17 2. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection and NRS 609.230, no child may be employed, permitted or suffered to work 18 19 at any gainful occupation, other than employment as a performer 20 in the production of a motion picture or work on a farm, between 21 10 pm. and 5 p.m. on any night immediately preceding a school 22 day if the child: 23 (a) Is enrolled in high school: (b) Is 16 years of age or older and under 19 years of age; and 24 (c) Is not declared emancipated pursuant to NRS 129.080 to 25 26 129.140. inclusive. A school district or juvenile court may grant an exemption from 27 28 the restrictions of this subsection if the school district or juvenile 29 court, as applicable, determines the exemption is in the best

30 interest of the child.





1 **3.** The presence of a child in any establishment during working 2 hours is prima facie evidence of employment of the child therein.

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