

Amendment No. 725

Senate Amendment to Senate Bill No. 219	(BDR 14-249)
<b>Proposed by:</b> Senate Committee on Finance	
<b>Amends:</b> Summary: No Title: Yes Preamble: No Joint Sponsorship: No Digest: Yes	

Adoption of this amendment will ADD an appropriation where one does not currently exist in S.B. 219.
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EXPLANATION: Matter in (1) *blue bold italics* is new language in the original bill; (2) variations of green bold underlining is language proposed to be added in this amendment; (3) ~~red strikethrough~~ is deleted language in the original bill; (4) ~~purple double strikethrough~~ is language proposed to be deleted in this amendment; (5) orange double underlining is deleted language in the original bill proposed to be retained in this amendment.





SENATE BILL NO. 219—SENATOR CANNIZZARO

MARCH 11, 2021

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to offenses. (BDR 14-249)

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 offenses; revising provisions relating to the collection of delinquent fines, administrative assessments, fees and restitution; revising provisions relating to the suspension of the driver’s license of a person; making an appropriation; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

1 Existing law authorizes a court to suspend the driver’s license of a defendant or to  
2 prohibit a defendant from applying for a driver’s license for a specified period, if the court  
3 determines that: (1) the defendant has the ability to pay a delinquent fine, administrative  
4 assessment, fee or restitution, but is willfully avoiding payment; or (2) the defendant was  
5 given the opportunity to perform community service to satisfy the amount due because the  
6 defendant is indigent and the defendant has failed to perform such community service. (NRS  
7 176.064) **Section 1** of this bill removes the authority of the court to suspend the driver’s  
8 license of a defendant or prohibit a defendant from applying for a driver’s license for a  
9 specified period as the result of any delinquent fine, administrative assessment, fee or  
10 restitution owed. **Sections 2 and 3** of this bill make conforming changes that are necessary  
11 because of the changes in **section 1**. **Section 4** of this bill provides that if, on October 1, 2021,  
12 the effective date of this bill, a person is subject to a suspension of his or her driver’s license  
13 or a delay in the issuance of a driver’s license imposed for failure to pay a delinquent fine,  
14 administrative assessment, fee or restitution, then the Department of Motor Vehicles must: (1)  
15 immediately reinstate the driver’s license of the person or the ability of the person to apply for  
16 the issuance of a driver’s license; and (2) notify the person, as soon as possible, of the  
17 reinstatement of his or her driver’s license or ability to apply for the issuance of a driver’s  
18 license. Section 3.5 of this bill makes an appropriation to the Department for the costs of  
19 providing such notification. **Section 4** also provides that the Department may not charge any  
20 fee for the reinstatement of a driver’s license or require a person to undergo any physical or  
21 mental examination to be eligible for reinstatement of a driver’s license.

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

1       **Section 1.** NRS 176.064 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2       176.064 1. If a fine, administrative assessment, fee or restitution is imposed  
3 upon a defendant pursuant to this chapter, whether or not the fine, administrative  
4 assessment, fee or restitution is in addition to any other punishment, and the fine,  
5 administrative assessment, fee or restitution or any part of it remains unpaid after  
6 the time established by the court for its payment, the defendant is liable for a  
7 collection fee, to be imposed by the court at the time it finds that the fine,  
8 administrative assessment, fee or restitution is delinquent, of:

9       (a) Not more than \$100, if the amount of the delinquency is less than \$2,000.

10       (b) Not more than \$500, if the amount of the delinquency is \$2,000 or greater,  
11 but is less than \$5,000.

12       (c) Ten percent of the amount of the delinquency, if the amount of the  
13 delinquency is \$5,000 or greater.

14       2. A state or local entity that is responsible for collecting a delinquent fine,  
15 administrative assessment, fee or restitution may, in addition to attempting to  
16 collect the fine, administrative assessment, fee or restitution through any other  
17 lawful means, take the following actions:

18       (a) Request that the court take appropriate action pursuant to subsection 3.

19       (b) If the defendant has been found guilty of the offense for which the fine,  
20 administrative assessment, fee or restitution was imposed, contract with a collection  
21 agency licensed pursuant to NRS 649.075 to collect the delinquent amount and the  
22 collection fee. The collection agency must be paid as compensation for its services  
23 an amount not greater than the amount of the collection fee imposed pursuant to  
24 subsection 1, in accordance with the provisions of the contract.

25       3. The court may, on its own motion or at the request of a state or local entity  
26 that is responsible for collecting the delinquent fine, administrative assessment, fee  
27 or restitution, take the following actions:

28       (a) Enter a civil judgment for the amount due in favor of the state or local  
29 entity that is responsible for collecting the delinquent fine, administrative  
30 assessment, fee or restitution. A civil judgment entered pursuant to this paragraph  
31 may be enforced and renewed in the manner provided by law for the enforcement  
32 and renewal of a judgment for money rendered in a civil action. If the court has  
33 entered a civil judgment pursuant to this paragraph and the person against whom  
34 the judgment is entered is not indigent and has not satisfied the judgment within  
35 the time established by the court, the person may be dealt with as for contempt of court.

36       (b) ~~If the court determines that the defendant has the ability to pay the amount  
37 due and is willfully avoiding payment, or if the defendant was given the  
38 opportunity to perform community service to satisfy the amount due because the  
39 defendant is indigent and the defendant has failed to perform such community  
40 service, order the suspension of the driver's license of the defendant. If the  
41 defendant does not possess a driver's license, the court may prohibit the defendant  
42 from applying for a driver's license for a specified period. If the defendant is  
43 already the subject of a court order suspending or delaying the issuance of the  
44 defendant's driver's license, the court may order the additional suspension or delay,  
45 as appropriate, to apply consecutively with the previous order. At the time the court  
46 issues an order suspending the driver's license of a defendant pursuant to this  
47 paragraph, the court shall require the defendant to surrender to the court all driver's  
48 licenses then held by the defendant. The court shall, within 5 days after issuing the  
49 order, forward to the Department of Motor Vehicles the licenses, together with a~~

~~copy of the order. At the time the court issues an order pursuant to this paragraph delaying the ability of a defendant to apply for a driver's license, the court shall, within 5 days after issuing the order, forward to the Department of Motor Vehicles a copy of the order. The Department of Motor Vehicles shall report a suspension pursuant to this paragraph to an insurance company or its agent inquiring about the defendant's driving record, but such a suspension must not be considered for the purpose of rating or underwriting.~~

~~—(c)}~~ If the court determines that the defendant has the ability to pay the amount due and is willfully avoiding payment, order the confinement of the defendant in the appropriate prison, jail or detention facility, as provided in NRS 176.065 and 176.075.

4. Money collected from a collection fee imposed pursuant to subsection 1 must be distributed in the following manner:

(a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (d), if the money is collected by or on behalf of a municipal court, the money must be deposited in a special fund in the appropriate city treasury. The city may use the money in the fund only to develop and implement a program for the collection of fines, administrative assessments, fees and restitution and to hire additional personnel necessary for the success of such a program.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (d), if the money is collected by or on behalf of a justice court or district court, the money must be deposited in a special fund in the appropriate county treasury. The county may use the money in the special fund only to:

(1) Develop and implement a program for the collection of fines, administrative assessments, fees and restitution and to hire additional personnel necessary for the success of such a program; or

(2) Improve the operations of a court by providing funding for:

(I) A civil law self-help center; or

(II) Court security personnel and equipment for a regional justice center that includes the justice courts of that county.

(c) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (d), if the money is collected by a state entity, the money must be deposited in an account, which is hereby created in the State Treasury. The Court Administrator may use the money in the account only to develop and implement a program for the collection of fines, administrative assessments, fees and restitution in this State and to hire additional personnel necessary for the success of such a program.

(d) If the money is collected by a collection agency, after the collection agency has been paid its fee pursuant to the terms of the contract, any remaining money must be deposited in the state, city or county treasury, whichever is appropriate, to be used only for the purposes set forth in paragraph (a), (b) or (c) of this subsection.

5. Any collection fee imposed pursuant to subsection 1 must be assessed on a per case basis and not on a per charge basis. The provisions of this subsection must not be construed to apply to any credit card processing fees that are assessed solely for the purpose of recouping any costs incurred to process a credit card payment. As used in this subsection, "case" means a single complaint, citation, information or indictment naming a single defendant that is based on the same act or transaction or based on two or more acts or transactions connected together or constituting parts of a common scheme or plan.

**Sec. 2.** NRS 483.443 is hereby amended to read as follows:

483.443 1. The Department shall, upon receiving notification from a district attorney or other public agency collecting support for children pursuant to NRS 425.510 that a court has determined that a person:

1 (a) Has failed to comply with a subpoena or warrant relating to a proceeding to  
2 establish paternity or to establish or enforce an obligation for the support of a child;  
3 or

4 (b) Is in arrears in the payment for the support of one or more children,  
5 ↪ send a written notice to that person that his or her driver's license is subject to  
6 suspension.

7 2. The notice must include:

8 (a) The reason for the suspension of the license;

9 (b) The information set forth in subsections 3, 5 and 6; and

10 (c) Any other information the Department deems necessary.

11 3. If a person who receives a notice pursuant to subsection 1 does not, within  
12 30 days after receiving the notice, comply with the subpoena or warrant or satisfy  
13 the arrearage as required in NRS 425.510, the Department shall suspend the license  
14 without providing the person with an opportunity for a hearing.

15 4. The Department shall suspend immediately the license of a defendant if so  
16 ordered pursuant to NRS 62B.420. ~~for 176.064.~~

17 5. The Department shall reinstate the driver's license of a person whose  
18 license was suspended pursuant to this section if it receives:

19 (a) A notice from the district attorney or other public agency pursuant to NRS  
20 425.510 that the person has complied with the subpoena or warrant or has satisfied  
21 the arrearage pursuant to that section ~~[, from a district judge that a delinquency for  
22 which the suspension was ordered pursuant to NRS 176.064 has been discharged]~~  
23 or from a judge of the juvenile court that an unsatisfied civil judgment for which  
24 the suspension was ordered pursuant to NRS 62B.420 has been satisfied; and

25 (b) Payment of the fee for reinstatement of a suspended license prescribed in  
26 NRS 483.410.

27 6. The Department shall not require a person whose driver's license was  
28 suspended pursuant to this section to submit to the tests and other requirements  
29 which are adopted by regulation pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 483.495 as a  
30 condition of the reinstatement of the license.

31 **Sec. 3.** NRS 483.460 is hereby amended to read as follows:

32 483.460 1. Except as otherwise provided by specific statute, the Department  
33 shall revoke the license, permit or privilege of any driver upon receiving a record of  
34 his or her conviction of any of the following offenses, when that conviction has  
35 become final, and the driver is not eligible for a license, permit or privilege to drive  
36 for the period indicated:

37 (a) For a period of 3 years if the offense is:

38 (1) A violation of subsection 9 of NRS 484B.653.

39 (2) A third or subsequent violation within 7 years of NRS 484C.110 or  
40 484C.120.

41 (3) A violation of NRS 484C.110 or 484C.120 resulting in a felony  
42 conviction pursuant to NRS 484C.400 or 484C.410.

43 (4) A violation of NRS 484C.430 or a homicide resulting from driving or  
44 being in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of  
45 intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance or resulting from any other conduct  
46 prohibited by NRS 484C.110, 484C.130 or 484C.430.

47 ↪ The period during which such a driver is not eligible for a license, permit or  
48 privilege to drive must be set aside during any period of imprisonment and the  
49 period of revocation must resume when the Department is notified pursuant to NRS  
50 209.517 or 213.12185 that the person has completed the period of imprisonment or  
51 that the person has been placed on residential confinement or parole.

52 (b) For a period of 1 year if the offense is:

1 (1) Any other manslaughter, including vehicular manslaughter as described  
2 in NRS 484B.657, resulting from the driving of a motor vehicle or felony in the  
3 commission of which a motor vehicle is used, including the unlawful taking of a  
4 motor vehicle.

5 (2) Failure to stop and render aid as required pursuant to the laws of this  
6 State in the event of a motor vehicle crash resulting in the death or bodily injury of  
7 another.

8 (3) Perjury or the making of a false affidavit or statement under oath to the  
9 Department pursuant to NRS 483.010 to 483.630, inclusive, or pursuant to any  
10 other law relating to the ownership or driving of motor vehicles.

11 (4) Conviction, or forfeiture of bail not vacated, upon three charges of  
12 reckless driving committed within a period of 12 months.

13 (5) A second violation within 7 years of NRS 484C.110 or 484C.120 and  
14 the driver is not eligible for a restricted license during any of that period.

15 (6) A violation of NRS 484B.550.

16 (c) For a period of not less than 185 days, if the offense is a first violation  
17 within 7 years of NRS 484C.110 or 484C.120.

18 2. The Department shall revoke the license, permit or privilege of a driver  
19 convicted of violating NRS 484C.110 or 484C.120 who fails to complete the  
20 educational course on the use of alcohol and controlled substances within the time  
21 ordered by the court and shall add a period of 90 days during which the driver is not  
22 eligible for a license, permit or privilege to drive.

23 3. When the Department is notified by a court that a person who has been  
24 convicted of a first violation within 7 years of NRS 484C.110 has been permitted to  
25 enter a program of treatment pursuant to NRS 484C.320, the Department shall  
26 reduce by one-half the period during which the person is not eligible for a license,  
27 permit or privilege to drive, but shall restore that reduction in time if notified that  
28 the person was not accepted for or failed to complete the treatment.

29 4. The Department shall revoke the license, permit or privilege to drive of a  
30 person who is required to install a device pursuant to NRS 484C.210 or 484C.460  
31 but who operates a motor vehicle without such a device:

32 (a) For 3 years, if it is his or her first such offense during the period of required  
33 use of the device.

34 (b) For 5 years, if it is his or her second such offense during the period of  
35 required use of the device.

36 5. A driver whose license, permit or privilege is revoked pursuant to  
37 subsection 4 is not eligible for a restricted license during the period set forth in  
38 paragraph (a) or (b) of that subsection, whichever applies.

39 6. In addition to any other requirements set forth by specific statute, if the  
40 Department is notified that a court has ordered the revocation, suspension or delay  
41 in the issuance of a license pursuant to title 5 of NRS, NRS ~~[76.064]~~ 206.330 or  
42 392.148, chapters 484A to 484E, inclusive, of NRS or any other provision of law,  
43 the Department shall take such actions as are necessary to carry out the court's  
44 order.

45 7. As used in this section, "device" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS  
46 484C.450.

47 **Sec. 3.5. 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State Highway Fund**  
48 **to the Department of Motor Vehicles the sum of \$14,950 for the costs of**  
49 **providing the notification required by section 4 of this act.**

50 **2. Any remaining balance of the appropriation made by subsection 1**  
51 **must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2023, by the entity to**  
52 **which the appropriation is made or any entity to which money from the**  
53 **appropriation is granted or otherwise transferred in any manner, and any**

1 portion of the appropriated money remaining must not be spent for any  
2 purpose after September 15, 2023, by either the entity to which the money was  
3 appropriated or the entity to which the money was subsequently granted or  
4 transferred, and must be reverted to the State Highway Fund on or before  
5 September 15, 2023.

6 **Sec. 4.** 1. If, on October 1, 2021, a person is subject to:

7 (a) Suspension of his or her driver's license pursuant to paragraph (b) of  
8 subsection 3 of NRS 176.064; or

9 (b) A court order delaying the issuance of a driver's license pursuant to  
10 paragraph (b) of subsection 3 of NRS 176.064,

11 then the Department of Motor Vehicles shall immediately reinstate the driver's  
12 license of the person or the ability of the person to apply for the issuance of a  
13 driver's license, as applicable, and shall notify the person, as soon as possible, of  
14 the reinstatement of his or her driver's license or ability to apply for the issuance of  
15 a driver's license.

16 2. The Department of Motor Vehicles may not:

17 (a) Charge any fee for the reinstatement of the driver's license of a person in  
18 accordance with this section; or

19 (b) Require a person to undergo any physical or mental examination pursuant  
20 to NRS 483.330 or 483.495 to be eligible for reinstatement of his or her driver's  
21 license.

22 **Sec. 5.** The amendatory provisions of this act apply to offenses committed  
23 before, on or after October 1, 2021.

24 **Sec. 6.** 1. This section and section 3.5 of this act become effective on  
25 July 1, 2021.

26 2. Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of this act become effective on October 1, 2021.