

Amendment No. 168

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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.

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S.B. No. 243—Revises provisions relating to catalytic converters. (BDR 15-37)



SENATE BILL NO. 243—SENATORS NGUYEN, DONATE, KRASNER; DALY, DONDERO LOOP, FLORES, LANGE, OHRENSCHALL, PAZINA, SEEVERS GANSERT, SPEARMAN AND STONE

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SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to catalytic converters. (BDR 15-37)

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 catalytic converters; prohibiting certain acts relating to used catalytic converters under certain circumstances; establishing requirements relating to transactions involving used catalytic converters; providing penalties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

Section 2 of this bill provides that a person commits the offense of theft ~~[or possession]~~ of a catalytic converter if the person willfully takes or attempts to take possession of, carries away or exercises control over a catalytic converter with the intent to deprive the rightful owner of the catalytic converter. **Section 2** also provides that ~~[there is a rebuttable presumption that]~~ a person ~~[in]~~ **commits the offense of** possession of **a catalytic converter if the person possesses** two or more used catalytic converters ~~[committed the offense of theft or possession of a used catalytic converter]~~ unless the person is licensed or authorized to possess a used catalytic converter.

Section 3 of this bill prohibits a person from purchasing a used catalytic converter from any person other than: (1) a licensed automobile wrecker; (2) a licensed scrap metal processor; (3) a licensed motor vehicle manufacturer, distributor, dealer or rebuilder; (4) any other business that may reasonably generate, possess or sell used catalytic converters; or (5) a person who possesses certain documentation that proves the person is the lawful owner **or possessor** of the used catalytic converter.

Section 4 of this bill provides that a person who violates any provision of **section 2 or 3** is guilty of: (1) a category E felony, if the violation involves one used catalytic converter; (2) a category D felony, if the violation involves ~~[two, three or four]~~ **2 or more, but less than 10,** used catalytic converters; **and** (3) ~~[a category B felony, punishable by imprisonment in the state prison for a minimum term of not less than 1 year and a maximum term of not more than 6 years, if the violation involves five or more, but less than 10 used catalytic converters; and~~ ~~(4)]~~ a category B felony, punishable by imprisonment in the state prison for a minimum term

22 of not less than 1 year and a maximum term of not more than ~~10~~ 6 years, if the violation
23 involves 10 or more used catalytic converters.

24 Existing law provides certain restrictions on the sale and purchase of scrap metal in this
25 State and includes a catalytic converter in the definition of the term “scrap metal.” (NRS
26 647.017, 647.092-647.098) **Section 12** of this bill excludes a used catalytic converter from the
27 definition of scrap metal.

28 **Section 8** of this bill prohibits a licensed scrap metal processor from purchasing or
29 receiving a used catalytic converter from any person other than certain licensed businesses or
30 a person possessing certain documentation that proves the person is the lawful owner or
31 possessor of the used catalytic converter.

32 Existing law requires scrap metal processors to maintain certain records of purchases of
33 scrap metal. (NRS 647.092-647.098) **Section 9** of this bill requires scrap metal processors to
34 maintain certain additional information if the scrap metal processor purchases a used catalytic
35 converter from certain licensed businesses or a person who has documentation that proves the
36 person is the ~~legal~~ lawful owner or possessor of the used catalytic converter. **Section 9** also
37 requires a scrap metal processor to: (1) maintain certain records of all used catalytic
38 converters the scrap metal processor sells to another scrap metal processor; (2) maintain
39 certain records related to used catalytic converters for a period of 2 years; and (3) make
40 certain records related to used catalytic converters available to law enforcement upon demand.

41 Existing law authorizes a local law enforcement agency to establish an electronic
42 reporting system, or to utilize an existing electronic reporting system, to receive information
43 relating to the purchase of scrap metal by a scrap metal processor that transacts business
44 within the jurisdiction of the local law enforcement agency. If a law enforcement agency
45 establishes or uses such a system, existing law requires each scrap metal processor that
46 transacts business within the jurisdiction of the local law enforcement agency to submit to the
47 local law enforcement agency certain information relating to each purchase of scrap metal
48 from certain persons. (NRS 647.0945) **Section 14** of this bill requires each scrap metal
49 processor to submit electronically to the local law enforcement agency certain additional
50 information if the scrap metal processor purchases a used catalytic converter.

51 **Section 10** of this bill prohibits a scrap metal processor from providing payment for a
52 used catalytic converter to a seller unless: (1) the payment is made by check ~~and mailed to~~
53 ~~certain addresses;~~ or through an electronic transfer of money cleared through an
54 automated clearinghouse; (2) the seller is a person described in **section 8**; and (3) the scrap
55 metal processor obtains certain information, including, without limitation, a statement written
56 by the seller indicating from whom the seller obtained the used catalytic converter. **Section 10**
57 provides for an exception to these requirements for a scrap metal processor who holds a
58 certain written agreement with the seller before purchasing a used catalytic converter.

59 ~~[Under existing law, a person who violates certain provisions governing scrap metal is~~
60 ~~guilty of a misdemeanor. (NRS 647.143)]~~ **Section 15** of this bill provides ~~{instead}~~ that a
61 person who violates ~~{certain provisions governing scrap metal, including}~~ any provision of
62 sections 8-10 ~~{}~~ is guilty of a misdemeanor ~~.~~ ~~[punishable by a fine of \$1,000 for the first~~
63 ~~offense, \$2,000 for the second offense or \$4,000 for any subsequent offense.]~~ **Section 15**
64 authorizes a court to also issue an injunction prohibiting the person from engaging in the
65 business of a scrap metal processor. **Section 15** also provides that a scrap metal processor who
66 is a natural person and who knowingly violates **section 8** or sells a used catalytic converter
67 that the scrap metal processor knows or should know is stolen is guilty of a felony, punishable
68 by a penalty that is similar to the penalties set forth in **section 4**.

69 **Sections 6 and 7** of this bill define the terms “permanently marked” and “used catalytic
70 converter,” respectively, for the purpose of provisions governing scrap metal processors.
71 **Section 11** of this bill makes a conforming change to indicate the proper placement of
72 **sections 6 and 7** 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 202 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the
2 provisions set forth as sections 2, 3 and 4 of this act.

3 **Sec. 2. 1.** *A person commits the offense of theft ~~for possession~~ of a*
4 *catalytic converter if the person willfully takes or attempts to take possession of,*
5 *carries away or exercises control over a used catalytic converter with the intent to*
6 *deprive the rightful owner of the catalytic converter.*

7 2. ~~There is a rebuttable presumption that a~~ *A person ~~fin~~ commits the*
8 *offense of possession of a catalytic converter if the person possesses two or more*
9 *used catalytic converters ~~obtained the used catalytic converters under~~*
10 *circumstances constituting a violation of subsection 1* unless the person is:

11 (a) An automobile wrecker licensed pursuant to NRS 487.070;

12 (b) A scrap metal processor licensed pursuant to NRS 647.092 who
13 maintains a fixed place of business and has obtained the used catalytic converter
14 in accordance with the provisions of NRS 647.094 and 647.098;

15 (c) A motor vehicle manufacturer, distributor, dealer or rebuilder licensed
16 pursuant to NRS 482.325;

17 (d) Any other business that may reasonably generate, possess or sell used
18 catalytic converters; or

19 (e) A person possessing documentation that proves the person is the lawful
20 owner *or possessor* of the used catalytic converter, including, without limitation,
21 a certificate of title or registration that identifies the person as the legal or
22 registered owner of the vehicle from which the used catalytic converter was
23 removed and which includes a vehicle identification number that matches the
24 vehicle identification number permanently marked on the used catalytic
25 converter.

26 3. As used in this section:

27 (a) "Permanently marked" has the meaning ascribed to it in section 6 of this
28 act.

29 (b) "Used catalytic converter" has the meaning ascribed to it in section 7 of
30 this act.

31 **Sec. 3. 1.** A person shall not purchase a used catalytic converter for any
32 purpose, including, without limitation, to dismantle, recycle or smelt, unless the
33 person purchases the used catalytic converter from:

34 (a) An automobile wrecker licensed pursuant to NRS 487.070;

35 (b) A scrap metal processor licensed pursuant to NRS 647.092 who
36 maintains a fixed place of business and has obtained the used catalytic converter
37 in accordance with the provisions of NRS 647.094 and 647.098;

38 (c) A motor vehicle manufacturer, distributor, dealer or rebuilder licensed
39 pursuant to NRS 482.325;

40 (d) Any other business that may reasonably generate, possess or sell used
41 catalytic converters; or

42 (e) A person possessing documentation that proves the person is the lawful
43 owner *or possessor* of the used catalytic converter, including, without limitation,
44 a certificate of title or registration that identifies the person as the legal or
45 registered owner of the vehicle from which the used catalytic converter was
46 removed and which includes a vehicle identification number that matches the
47 vehicle identification number permanently marked on the used catalytic
48 converter.

49 2. As used in this section:

1 (a) "Permanently marked" has the meaning ascribed to it in section 6 of this
2 act.

3 (b) "Used catalytic converter" has the meaning ascribed to it in section 7 of
4 this act.

5 **Sec. 4.** A person who violates any provision of section 2 or 3 of this act is
6 guilty of:

7 1. If the violation involves one used catalytic converter, a category E felony
8 and shall be punished as provided in NRS 193.130.

9 2. If the violation involves ~~two, three or four~~ 2 or more, but less than 10,
10 used catalytic converters, a category D felony and shall be punished as provided
11 in NRS 193.130.

12 3. ~~If the violation involves five or more, but less than 10, used catalytic~~
13 ~~converters, a category B felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the~~
14 ~~state prison for a minimum term of not less than 1 year and a maximum term of~~
15 ~~not more than 6 years.~~

16 ~~4.~~ If the violation involves 10 or more used catalytic converters, a category
17 B felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for a
18 minimum term of not less than 1 year and a maximum term of not more than ~~10~~
19 6 years.

20 **Sec. 5.** Chapter 647 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the
21 provisions set forth as sections 6 to 10, inclusive, of this act.

22 **Sec. 6.** "Permanently marked" means prominently engraved, etched,
23 welded, metal-stamped, acid-marked or otherwise permanently displayed using a
24 similarly reliable method of imparting a lasting mark on the exterior case of a
25 used catalytic converter.

26 **Sec. 7.** "Used catalytic converter" means a catalytic converter or any part
27 thereof that has been previously installed on a vehicle and has been removed. The
28 term does not include a reconditioned or refurbished catalytic converter being
29 sold at retail.

30 **Sec. 8.** A person who is authorized to purchase or otherwise receive a used
31 catalytic converter pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 647.0172 shall not purchase
32 or otherwise receive a used catalytic converter for any purpose, including,
33 without limitation, to dismantle, recycle or smelt, unless the person purchases or
34 receives the used catalytic converter from:

35 1. An automobile wrecker licensed pursuant to NRS 487.070;

36 2. A scrap metal processor licensed pursuant to NRS 647.092 who
37 maintains a fixed place of business and has obtained the used catalytic converter
38 in accordance with the provisions of NRS 647.094 and 647.098;

39 3. A motor vehicle manufacturer, distributor, dealer or rebuilder licensed
40 pursuant to NRS 482.325;

41 4. Any other business that may reasonably generate, possess or sell used
42 catalytic converters; or

43 5. A person possessing documentation that proves the person is the lawful
44 owner or possessor of the used catalytic converter, including, without limitation,
45 a certificate of title or registration that identifies the person as the legal or
46 registered owner of the vehicle from which the used catalytic converter was
47 removed and which includes a vehicle identification number that matches the
48 vehicle identification number permanently marked on the used catalytic
49 converter.

50 **Sec. 9.** 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 2 and 3, every
51 scrap metal processor shall maintain in his or her place of business a book or
52 other permanent record in which must be made, at the time of each purchase of a
53 used catalytic converter, a record of the purchase that contains:

1 (a) *The place and date of the purchase.*

2 (b) *The name of the seller and the seller's valid driver's license number or*
3 *valid identification card number and the state of issue.*

4 (c) *A general description of the vehicle delivering the used catalytic*
5 *converter, including, without limitation, the state of the registration of the*
6 *vehicle.*

7 (d) *A description of the used catalytic converter purchased, including,*
8 *without limitation, the item type, quantity and vehicle identification number of*
9 *the used catalytic converter.*

10 (e) *A description of the vehicle from which the used catalytic converter was*
11 *removed, including, without limitation:*

12 (1) *The year, make, model and vehicle identification number of the*
13 *vehicle; and*

14 (2) *If applicable, a copy of the title of the vehicle which includes a*
15 *vehicle identification number that matches the vehicle identification number*
16 *permanently marked on the used catalytic converter.*

17 (f) *A statement written by the seller indicating:*

18 (1) *That the seller is the lawful owner or possessor of the used catalytic*
19 *converter; or*

20 (2) *The name of the person from which the seller obtained the used*
21 *catalytic converter, including, if applicable, the name of the business as shown on*
22 *a signed transfer document.*

23 (g) *The price paid by the scrap metal processor for the used catalytic*
24 *converter.*

25 (h) *If the seller is a business entity, other than a scrap metal processor:*

26 (1) *The seller's physical business address;*

27 (2) *The seller's business telephone number; and*

28 (3) *The seller's business license number or tax identification number of*
29 *the business.*

30 2. *A scrap metal processor who purchases a used catalytic converter from a*
31 *business entity that holds a written agreement with another business that sells*
32 *used catalytic converters for recycling purposes is required to maintain in his or*
33 *her place of business a book or other permanent record in which must be made,*
34 *at the time of each purchase, a record of the purchase that contains:*

35 (a) *The name of the seller or agent acting on behalf of the seller.*

36 (b) *The seller's physical business address and business telephone number.*

37 (c) *The seller's business license number or tax identification number.*

38 (d) *The date and place of the transaction.*

39 (e) *The number of used catalytic converters received in the course of the*
40 *transaction.*

41 (f) *The amount of money that was paid for each used catalytic converter in*
42 *the course of the transaction.*

43 (g) *A copy of the written agreement.*

44 3. *A scrap metal processor who sells a used catalytic converter to another*
45 *scrap metal processor shall maintain in his or her place of business a book or*
46 *other permanent record in which must be made, at the time of each sale, a record*
47 *of the sale that contains:*

48 (a) *The name and address of each person to whom each used catalytic*
49 *converter is sold.*

50 (b) *The number of used catalytic converters being sold.*

51 (c) *The amount of money that was received for each used catalytic converter*
52 *sold in the transaction.*

53 (d) *The date and place of the transaction.*

1 4. All records kept pursuant to subsections 1, 2 and 3 must be kept and
2 maintained for not less than 2 years.

3 5. All used catalytic converters purchased by the scrap metal processor and
4 the records made and maintained in accordance with subsections 1 to 4,
5 inclusive, must be made available at all times to a local law enforcement agency
6 upon demand.

7 **Sec. 10.** 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, a scrap metal
8 processor shall not provide payment for a used catalytic converter unless:

9 (a) The payment is made by check ~~and is~~

10 ~~_____ (1) Mailed by the scrap metal processor to the address listed on the~~
11 ~~seller's valid driver's license or identification card or an alternative address~~
12 ~~pursuant to subparagraph 2;~~

13 ~~_____ (2) For a seller that is a business entity, mailed to the seller's business~~
14 ~~address or made available immediately through an electronic transfer of money;~~
15 ~~or~~

16 ~~_____ (3) Collected by the seller from the scrap metal processor on the third~~
17 ~~business day after the date of the sale;}~~ or through an electronic transfer of
18 money cleared through an automated clearinghouse;

19 (b) The seller is a person described in section 8 of this act; and

20 (c) The scrap metal processor obtains:

21 (1) A clear photograph or video of the:

22 (I) Seller at the time of the sale;

23 (II) Used catalytic converter being sold; and

24 (III) If applicable, the vehicle identification number permanently
25 marked on the used catalytic converter;

26 (2) ~~[Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (3), a]~~ A copy of the
27 seller's valid driver's license containing the photograph and address of the seller,
28 or a copy of a state or federal government-issued identification card containing
29 the photograph and address of the seller; and

30 (3) ~~[If the seller prefers to have the check for the used catalytic converter~~
31 ~~mailed to an alternative address, a copy of a driver's license or identification card~~
32 ~~and a gas or electric utility bill addressed to the seller at the alternative address,~~
33 ~~other than a post office box, with a payment due date of not more than 2 months~~
34 ~~before the date of the sale; and~~

35 ~~_____ (4) A statement written by the seller indicating:~~

36 (I) That the seller is the lawful owner or possessor of the used
37 catalytic converter; or

38 (II) The name of the person from whom the seller obtained the used
39 catalytic converter, including, if applicable, the name of the business as shown on
40 a signed transfer document.

41 2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply to a scrap metal processor
42 who buys a used catalytic converter if the scrap metal processor and the seller
43 have a written agreement for the transaction which includes:

44 (a) A log or other regularly updated record of all used catalytic converters
45 received pursuant to the agreement; and

46 (b) A description of each catalytic converter with enough particularity so that
47 each of the used catalytic converters in the scrap metal processor's inventory can
48 reasonably be matched to its description in the agreement.

49 **Sec. 11.** NRS 647.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

50 647.010 As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires, the
51 words and terms defined in NRS 647.011 to 647.018, inclusive, and sections 6 and
52 7 of this act have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

1 **Sec. 12.** NRS 647.017 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2 647.017 1. “Scrap metal” means ~~f~~

3 ~~—(a) Nonferrous} nonferrous~~ metals, scrap iron, stainless steel or other material
4 or equipment which consists in whole or in part of metal and which is used in
5 construction, agricultural operations, electrical power generation, transmission or
6 distribution, cable, broadband or telecommunications transmission, railroad
7 equipment, oil well rigs or any lights maintained by the State or a local government,
8 including, without limitation, street lights, traffic-control devices, park lights or
9 ballpark lights. ~~f; and~~

10 ~~—(b) Catalytic converters.}~~

11 2. The term does not include waste generated by a household, aluminum
12 beverage containers, used construction scrap iron, ~~for}~~ materials consisting of a
13 metal product in its original manufactured form which contains not more than 20
14 percent by weight nonferrous metal ~~f}~~ *or used catalytic converters.*

15 **Sec. 13.** NRS 647.0172 is hereby amended to read as follows:

16 647.0172 “Scrap metal processor” means any person who:

17 1. Engages in the business of purchasing, trading, bartering or otherwise
18 receiving scrap metal ~~f}~~ *or used catalytic converters; or*

19 2. Uses machinery and equipment for processing and manufacturing iron,
20 steel or nonferrous scrap into prepared grades, and whose principal product is scrap
21 iron, scrap steel or nonferrous metallic scrap, not including precious metals, for sale
22 for remelting purposes.

23 **Sec. 14.** NRS 647.0945 is hereby amended to read as follows:

24 647.0945 1. A local law enforcement agency may establish an electronic
25 reporting system or utilize an existing electronic reporting system to receive
26 information relating to the purchase of scrap metal *or used catalytic converters* by
27 a scrap metal processor that transacts business within the jurisdiction of the local
28 law enforcement agency. An electronic reporting system established or utilized
29 pursuant to this subsection must:

30 (a) Be electronically secure and accessible only to:

31 (1) A scrap metal processor for the purpose of submitting the information
32 required by subsection 2;

33 (2) An officer of the local law enforcement agency; and

34 (3) If applicable, an authorized employee of any designated third party.

35 (b) Provide for the electronic submission of information by a scrap metal
36 processor.

37 2. If a local law enforcement agency establishes an electronic reporting
38 system or utilizes an existing electronic reporting system pursuant to subsection 1,
39 each scrap metal processor that transacts business within the jurisdiction of the
40 local law enforcement agency shall, before 12 p.m. of each business day, submit
41 electronically to the local law enforcement agency or, if applicable, a designated
42 third party the following information regarding ~~each}~~ :

43 (a) *Each* purchase of scrap metal conducted on the preceding day from a
44 person who sold the scrap metal in his or her individual capacity:

45 ~~f(a)}~~ (1) The name of the seller;

46 ~~f(b)}~~ (2) The date of the purchase;

47 ~~f(c)}~~ (3) The name of the person or employee who conducted the transaction on
48 behalf of the scrap metal processor;

49 ~~f(d)}~~ (4) The name, street, house number and date of birth listed on the
50 identification provided pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection 1 of NRS 647.094
51 and a physical description of the seller, including the seller’s gender, height, eye
52 color and hair color;

1 ~~[(e)]~~ (5) The license number and general description of any vehicle that
2 delivered the scrap metal;

3 ~~[(f)]~~ (6) The description of the scrap metal recorded pursuant to paragraph (h)
4 of subsection 1 of NRS 647.094; ~~and~~

5 ~~—(e)]~~ (7) The amount, in weight, of scrap metal purchased ~~[(h)]~~; and

6 *(b) Each purchase of a used catalytic converter conducted on the preceding*
7 *day from a person who sold the used catalytic converter in his or her individual*
8 *capacity:*

9 *(1) A statement written by the seller indicating:*

10 *(I) That the seller is the lawful owner or possessor of the used*
11 *catalytic converter; or*

12 *(II) The name of the person from whom the seller obtained the used*
13 *catalytic converter, including, if applicable, the name of the business as shown on*
14 *a signed transfer document;*

15 *(2) If applicable, a copy of the title of the vehicle from which the used*
16 *catalytic converter was removed which includes a vehicle identification number*
17 *that matches the vehicle identification number permanently marked on the used*
18 *catalytic converter;*

19 *(3) The year, make, model and vehicle identification number of the*
20 *vehicle from which the used catalytic converter was removed; and*

21 *(4) A description of the used catalytic converter purchased or sold,*
22 *including, without limitation, the item type, quantity and vehicle identification*
23 *number permanently marked on the used catalytic converter.*

24 3. If a scrap metal processor is required to submit information to a local law
25 enforcement agency or, if applicable, a designated third party pursuant to
26 subsection 2, the scrap metal processor shall display prominently at the point of
27 purchase a public notice, in a form approved by the local law enforcement agency,
28 describing the information that the scrap metal processor is required to submit
29 electronically to the local law enforcement agency or, if applicable, the designated
30 third party.

31 4. Nothing in this section shall be deemed to limit or otherwise abrogate any
32 duty of a scrap metal processor to maintain a book or other permanent record of
33 information pursuant to NRS 647.094.

34 5. If a local law enforcement agency establishes an electronic reporting
35 system or utilizes an existing electronic reporting system to receive information
36 pursuant to this section, the local law enforcement agency shall, on or before
37 January 15 of each odd-numbered year, submit to the Director of the Legislative
38 Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the Legislature a report regarding the effect of the
39 electronic reporting system on the incidence of crime which relates to the sale or
40 purchase of scrap metal *or used catalytic converters* within the jurisdiction of the
41 law enforcement agency.

42 6. ~~[(The)]~~ *Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b) of subsection 2, the*
43 *provisions of this section do not apply to the purchase of scrap metal or a used*
44 *catalytic converter* from a business entity.

45 7. The Division of Industrial Relations of the Department of Business and
46 Industry shall, in consultation with representatives from local law enforcement
47 agencies in this state and representatives from the scrap metal industry, adopt
48 regulations to ensure the confidentiality of information which is reported and
49 maintained pursuant to this section, including, without limitation, regulations
50 providing for:

- 51 (a) The confidentiality of consumer information;
52 (b) The confidentiality of proprietary information;
53 (c) Equity of input into contractual terms;

1 (d) Contractual terms relating to disclaimers, indemnification and the
2 ownership of data by a designated third party;

3 (e) Oversight of a designated third party that handles, maintains or has access
4 to such information, including, without limitation, the qualifications, equipment,
5 procedures and background checks required of a designated third party;

6 (f) The manner in which reported information may be used, shared or
7 disseminated; and

8 (g) The maintenance of reported information in relationship to other data
9 maintained by a law enforcement agency.

10 8. As used in this section, "designated third party" means any person with
11 whom a local law enforcement agency has entered into a contract for the purpose of
12 receiving and storing any information required to be submitted electronically by a
13 scrap metal processor pursuant to subsection 2.

14 **Sec. 15.** NRS 647.143 is hereby amended to read as follows:

15 647.143 1. ~~[Unless]~~ *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3 and*
16 *unless* a greater penalty is provided pursuant to specific statute, a person who
17 violates any provision of NRS 647.094, 647.096 or 647.098 *or section 8, 9 or 10 of*
18 *this act* is guilty of a misdemeanor ~~and shall be punished by:~~

19 ~~—(a) For the first offense, a fine of \$1,000;~~

20 ~~—(b) For the second offense, a fine of \$2,000; or~~

21 ~~—(c) For a third and subsequent offense, a fine of not less than \$4,000.]~~

22 2. *In addition to the provisions of [subsection 2,] subsections 1 and 3, the*
23 *court may issue an injunction prohibiting a person from engaging in the business*
24 *of a scrap metal processor:*

25 (a) *For the first or second offense, for a period of not less than 30 days.*

26 (b) *For a third or subsequent offense, for a period of 1 year.*

27 3. *Any scrap metal processor who is a natural person and who knowingly*
28 *violates section 8 of this act or who sells any used catalytic converter that the*
29 *scrap metal processor knows or should know is a stolen catalytic converter, is*
30 *guilty of:*

31 (a) *If the violation involves one used catalytic converter, a category E felony*
32 *and shall be punished as provided in NRS 193.130.*

33 (b) *If the violation involves [two, three or four] 2 or more, but less than 10,*
34 *used catalytic converters, a category D felony and shall be punished as provided*
35 *in NRS 193.130.*

36 (c) ~~*If the violation involves five or more, but less than 10, used catalytic*~~
37 ~~*converters, a category B felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the*~~
38 ~~*state prison for a minimum term of not less than 1 year and a maximum term of*~~
39 ~~*not more than 6 years.*~~

40 ~~—(d) If the violation involves 10 or more used catalytic converters, a category~~
41 ~~*B felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for a*~~
42 ~~*minimum term of not less than 1 year and a maximum term of not more than [10]*~~
43 ~~*6 years.*~~