

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 268—ASSEMBLYMAN CARRILLO

MARCH 14, 2019

Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

SUMMARY—Revises provisions related to vital statistics. (BDR 40-1036)

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 vital statistics; revising provisions related to certificates of death; revising the fines assessed against certain medical professionals for failing to complete a medical certificate of death; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

1 Under existing law a physician or advanced practice registered nurse who was  
2 in medical attendance upon any deceased person at the time of death and neglects  
3 or refuses to execute the medical certificate of death upon the request of certain  
4 parties shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$250. (NRS 440.720) This bill  
5 provides that if a physician or advanced practice registered nurse neglects or  
6 refuses to make out and deliver a certificate of death upon request, he or she shall  
7 be punished by a fine of \$250 for the first offense, \$500 for the second offense and  
8 \$1,000 for the third and subsequent offenses.

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

1 **Section 1.** NRS 440.720 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
2 440.720 Any physician or advanced practice registered nurse  
3 who was in medical attendance upon any deceased person at the  
4 time of death who neglects or refuses to make out and deliver to the  
5 funeral director, sexton or other person in charge of the interment,  
6 removal or other disposition of the body, upon *a request ~~[-]~~ made*  
7 *pursuant to NRS 440.470*, the medical certificate of the cause of  
8 death shall be punished by a fine of ~~[not more than:]~~ :



- 1 **1. For a first offense, \$250 ~~H~~;**
- 2 **2. For a second offense, \$500; and**
- 3 **3. For a third or subsequent offense, \$1,000.**
- 4 **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2019.

