ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 390–ASSEMBLYMEN LEAVITT, ASSEFA, ROBERTS, KRAMER; DURAN, EDWARDS, ELLISON, HAFEN, HANSEN, NGUYEN, PETERS, TORRES AND WATTS

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JOINT SPONSORS: SENATORS PICKARD, HAMMOND; HARDY AND KIECKHEFER

Referred to Committee on Growth and Infrastructure

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to equipment on motor vehicles. (BDR 43-1059)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.

Effect on the State: No.

EXPLANATION - Matter in **bolded italics** is new; matter between brackets formitted material is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to stop lamps; authorizing the use of certain devices in motor vehicles which cause certain stop lamps to flash briefly upon the application of brakes; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

## **Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

Existing law requires every motor vehicle to be equipped with two or more stop lamps, with an exception for certain older vehicles which were manufactured with only one stop lamp. (NRS 484D.125) Existing law also authorizes motor vehicles to be equipped with certain other lamps, such as backup lamps, fender lamps and running-board courtesy lamps. (NRS 484D.205) **Section 1** of this bill authorizes a motor vehicle to be equipped with a device which is integrated into the highmounted stop lamp or a supplemental rear-mounted lamp and which displays a red light which flashes not more than four times in 4 seconds when the brake is applied, and then converts to a continuous red light until the brake is released.





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

- **Section 1.** NRS 484D.205 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 484D.205 1. Any motor vehicle may be equipped with not more than two side cowl or fender lamps which shall emit an amber or white light without glare.
- 2. Any motor vehicle may be equipped with not more than one running-board courtesy lamp on each side of the vehicle which shall emit a white or amber light without glare.
- 3. Any motor vehicle may be equipped with inside door-mounted red lamps or red reflectorizing devices or material visible to the rear of the vehicle when the doors are open.
- 4. Any motor vehicle may be equipped with one or more backup lamps either separately or in combination with other lamps. Backup lamps shall not be lighted when the vehicle is in forward motion.
- 5. Except to the extent prohibited by federal law, any motor vehicle may be equipped with a device which is integrated into the high-mounted stop lamp of the motor vehicle, if any, or a supplemental lamp mounted to the rear of the motor vehicle, if any, and which causes the high-mounted stop lamp or supplemental lamp to display a red light which:
  - (a) Is activated upon application of the brake; and
- (b) Flashes not more than four times in 4 seconds when the brake is first applied, and then converts to a continuous red light until the brake is released.
- Any vehicle may be equipped with lamps which may be used for the purpose of warning the drivers of other vehicles of the presence of a vehicular traffic hazard requiring the exercise of unusual care in approaching, overtaking or passing, and when so equipped may display such warning in addition to any other warning signals required by this chapter. The lamps used to display such warning to the front shall be mounted at the same level and as spaced laterally as practicable, and shall simultaneously flashing white or amber lights, or any shade of color between white and amber. The lamps used to display such warning to the rear shall be mounted at the same level and as widely spaced laterally as practicable, and shall show simultaneously flashing amber or red lights, or any shade of color between amber and red. Whenever a vehicle has been equipped with such lamps they shall be kept in good operating condition. These warning lamps shall be visible from a distance of not less than 500 feet in normal sunlight.





[6.] 7. Any motor vehicle may be equipped with not more than two lamps designed and of sufficient intensity for the purpose of revealing objects only in the direction of the turn while the vehicle is turning or while the turn signal lamps are operating to signal an intention to turn. The lamps shall be designed so that no glaring light is projected into the eyes of an approaching driver.

[7-] 8. Any vehicle 80 inches or more in overall width, if not otherwise required by NRS 484D.140, may be equipped with not more than three identification lamps showing to the front, which shall emit an amber light without glare, and not more than three identification lamps showing to the rear, which shall emit a red light without glare. Such lamps shall be mounted in the manner provided in NRS 484D.140.

[8.] 9. Every motor vehicle, trailer, semitrailer and pole trailer 80 inches or more in overall width or 30 feet or more in overall length manufactured after January 1, 1970, shall be equipped with hazardous warning lamps meeting the requirements of subsection [5.] 6.

**Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2019.





