ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 54–COMMITTEE ON GROWTH AND INFRASTRUCTURE

(ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION)

PREFILED NOVEMBER 18, 2020

Referred to Committee on Growth and Infrastructure

SUMMARY—Creates the Advisory Committee on Traffic Safety within the Department of Transportation. (BDR 35-350)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. 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 traffic safety; creating the Advisory Committee on Traffic Safety within the Department of Transportation; requiring the Advisory Committee to review, study and make recommendations regarding certain issues relating to traffic safety in this State and to prepare an annual report of its activities; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law creates the Department of Transportation and, in part, requires the 123456789 Director of the Department to: (1) cause a general plan of the highways to be made and kept by the Department; and (2) collect information and compile statistics and maps relating to the mileage, traffic, character and condition of the highways. (NRS 408.106, 408.190) This bill creates the Advisory Committee on Traffic Safety within the Department of Transportation and establishes the membership of the Advisory Committee. This bill requires the Advisory Committee to review, study and make recommendations regarding: (1) best practices for reducing deaths and injuries related to motor vehicle crashes on roadways in this State; (2) data on 10 motor vehicle crashes resulting in death or serious bodily injury in this State; and 11 (3) any other submitted matter. This bill also requires the Advisory Committee to 12 prepare and submit to the Governor and the Legislature an annual report concerning 13 its activities. Finally, this bill authorizes the Advisory Committee to establish 14 working groups, task forces and similar entities as necessary to assist in its work.





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

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 408 of NRS is hereby amended by adding 2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 1. The Advisory Committee on Traffic Safety is hereby 4 created in the Department. The Advisory Committee consists of the 5 following 16 voting members:

6 (a) The Director of the Department of Transportation or his or 7 her designee;

8 (b) The Director of the Department of Health and Human 9 Services or his or her designee;

10 (c) The Director of the Department of Motor Vehicles or his or 11 her designee;

12 (d) The Director of the Department of Public Safety or his or 13 her designee;

14 (e) The Superintendent of Public Instruction or his or her 15 designee;

16 (f) One member who is a representative of the Department of 17 Transportation, appointed by the Director of the Department of 18 Transportation:

19 (g) One member who is a representative of the Department of 20 Public Safety, appointed by the Director of the Department of 21 Public Safety;

(h) One member appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly
 who is a member of the Assembly Standing Committee on Growth
 and Infrastructure during the current or immediately preceding
 regular session;

(i) One member appointed by the Majority Leader of the
Senate who is a member of the Senate Standing Committee on
Growth and Infrastructure during the current or immediately
preceding regular session;

30 (j) One member who is a representative of the Administrative 31 Office of the Courts, appointed by the Chief Justice of the 32 Supreme Court of Nevada;

(k) One member who represents Indian tribes, appointed by
the Director of the Department of Transportation; and

(1) Five members who represent local governmental entities,
 appointed by the Director of the Department of Transportation.

2. The term of office of each member appointed to the Advisory Committee is 2 years. Such members may be reappointed for additional terms of 2 years in the same manner as the original appointments. Any vacancy occurring in the appointed membership of the Advisory Committee must be filled in the same



manner as the original appointment not later than 30 days after the vacancy occurs.

3 3. The members of the Advisory Committee shall elect from 4 their membership a Chair and a Vice Chair. The term of office of 5 the Chair and the Vice Chair is 2 years. If a vacancy occurs in the 6 office of Chair or Vice Chair, the members of the Advisory 7 Committee shall elect a Chair or Vice Chair, as applicable, from 8 among its members to serve for the remainder of the unexpired 9 term.

10 4. The Advisory Committee shall meet at least once each 11 calendar quarter and may meet at such further times as deemed 12 necessary by the Chair.

13 5. A majority of the members of the Advisory Committee 14 constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business. If a quorum 15 is present, the affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the 16 Advisory Committee present is sufficient for any official action 17 taken by the Advisory Committee.

18 6. Each member of the Advisory Committee serves without 19 compensation and is not entitled to receive a per diem allowance 20 or travel expenses.

21 7. The Department shall provide administrative support to the 22 Advisory Committee.

23 8. The Advisory Committee shall review, study and make 24 recommendations regarding:

(a) Best practices for reducing deaths and injuries related to
 motor vehicle crashes on roadways in this State;

(b) Data on motor vehicle crashes resulting in death or serious
bodily injury in this State, including, without limitation, factors
that cause such crashes and measures known to prevent such
crashes; and

31 (c) Any other matter submitted by the Chair.

The Advisory Committee shall prepare and submit to the 32 9. Governor and to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau 33 for transmittal to the Legislature an annual report concerning the 34 35 activities of the Advisory Committee that addresses, without issue reviewed or 36 limitation. any studied and anv 37 recommendations made by the Advisory Committee pursuant to 38 subsection 8.

10. The Advisory Committee may establish such working
groups, task forces and similar entities from within or outside its
membership as necessary to address specific issues or otherwise to
assist in its work.

43 **Sec. 2.** The provisions of subsection 1 of NRS 218D.380 do 44 not apply to any provision of this act which adds or revises a 45 requirement to submit a report to the Legislature.





1 Sec. 3. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2021.



