SENATE BILL NO. 122-SENATOR BUCK

FEBRUARY 8, 2023

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to crimes. (BDR 15-284)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: Increases or Newly
Provides for Term of Imprisonment in County or City
Jail or Detention Facility.

Effect on the State: No.

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

AN ACT relating to crimes; creating the crime of targeted residential picketing; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

This bill provides that a person is guilty of the crime of targeted residential picketing if the person pickets or demonstrates in certain public areas in a manner that is specifically directed toward a residence, or the occupant of a residence, which is not the principal place of business of the targeted occupant or a place of public gathering. This bill makes the crime of targeted residential picketing a misdemeanor.

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

Section 1. Chapter 207 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

- 1. A person shall not engage in targeted residential picketing.
- 2. A person who violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.
- 3. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit a person from engaging in any constitutionally protected exercise of free speech.
 - 4. As used in this section:



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- (a) "Residence" means a house, apartment or other structure which is occupied or designed or intended for occupancy as a residence and which is not:
- (1) The principal place of business of a targeted occupant; or

(2) A place of a public gathering.

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- (b) "Targeted occupant" means a person to whom targeted residential picketing is specifically directed.
- (c) "Targeted residential picketing" means picketing or demonstrating, with or without a sign, that:
- (1) Is specifically directed toward a residence or one or more occupants of a residence; and
- (2) Takes place on a public sidewalk or other public area in front of, adjacent to or behind the residence.
 - **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2023.





