

SENATE BILL NO. 299—SENATORS ROBERSON,  
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Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Consolidates the Taxicab Authority and the Nevada  
Transportation Authority. (BDR 58-758)

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 transportation; abolishing the Taxicab  
Authority and transferring the authority and duties of the  
Taxicab Authority to the Nevada Transportation  
Authority; and providing other matters properly relating  
thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

1 Existing law authorizes the Nevada Transportation Authority to regulate fully  
2 regulated carriers, operators of tow cars and brokers of regulated services as  
3 provided for in chapter 706 of NRS. (NRS 706.151) Existing law also authorizes  
4 the Taxicab Authority to administer and regulate taxicab service in a county whose  
5 population is 700,000 or more (currently Clark County). (NRS 706.881, 706.8818)  
6 This bill abolishes the Taxicab Authority, and transfers the duties and authority of  
7 the Taxicab Authority to the Nevada Transportation Authority.

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

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 706 of NRS is hereby amended by adding  
2 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 and 3 of this act.

3 **Sec. 2.** *“Authority” has the meaning ascribed to it in*  
4 *NRS 706.018.*

5 **Sec. 3.** *“Chair” has the meaning ascribed to it in*  
6 *NRS 706.024.*



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1       **Sec. 4.** NRS 706.072 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2       706.072 “Fully regulated carrier” means a common carrier or  
3 contract carrier of passengers or household goods , *other than a*  
4 *taxicab motor carrier in any county whose population is 700,000*  
5 *or more*, who is required to obtain from the Authority a certificate  
6 of public convenience and necessity or a contract carrier’s permit  
7 and whose rates, routes and services are subject to regulation by the  
8 Authority.

9       **Sec. 5.** NRS 706.151 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10       706.151 1. It is hereby declared to be the purpose and policy  
11 of the Legislature in enacting this chapter:

12       (a) ~~Except to the extent otherwise provided in NRS 706.881 to~~  
13 ~~706.885, inclusive, to~~ To confer upon the Authority the power and  
14 to make it the duty of the Authority to regulate fully regulated  
15 carriers, operators of tow cars and brokers of regulated services to  
16 the extent provided in this chapter and to confer upon the  
17 Department of Motor Vehicles the power to license all motor  
18 carriers and to make it the duty of the Department of Motor  
19 Vehicles and the Department of Public Safety to enforce  
20 the provisions of this chapter and the regulations adopted by the  
21 Authority pursuant to it, to relieve the undue burdens on the  
22 highways arising by reason of the use of the highways by vehicles in  
23 a gainful occupation thereon.

24       (b) To provide for reasonable compensation for the use of the  
25 highways in gainful occupations, and enable the State of Nevada, by  
26 using license fees, to provide for the proper construction,  
27 maintenance and repair thereof, and thereby protect the safety and  
28 welfare of the traveling and shipping public in their use of the  
29 highways.

30       (c) To provide for fair and impartial regulation, to promote safe,  
31 adequate, economical and efficient service and to foster sound  
32 economic conditions in motor transportation.

33       (d) To encourage the establishment and maintenance of  
34 reasonable charges for:

35           (1) Intrastate transportation by fully regulated carriers; and

36           (2) Towing services performed without the prior consent of  
37 the owner of the vehicle or the person authorized by the owner to  
38 operate the vehicle,

39       ↳ without unjust discriminations against or undue preferences or  
40 advantages being given to any motor carrier or applicant for a  
41 certificate of public convenience and necessity.

42       (e) To discourage any practices which would tend to increase or  
43 create competition that may be detrimental to the traveling and  
44 shipping public or the motor carrier business within this State.



1 2. All of the provisions of this chapter must be administered  
2 and enforced with a view to carrying out the declaration of policy  
3 contained in this section.

4 **Sec. 6.** NRS 706.1516 is hereby amended to read as follows:

5 706.1516 1. The Nevada Transportation Authority  
6 Regulatory Account is hereby created in the State General Fund. All  
7 money collected by the Authority pursuant to law must be deposited  
8 with the State Treasurer for credit to the Account.

9 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3 ~~†~~ and NRS  
10 706.8825, money in the Account may be used only to defray the  
11 costs of:

12 (a) Maintaining staff and equipment needed to regulate  
13 adequately persons subject to the jurisdiction of the Authority.

14 (b) Participating in all proceedings relevant to the jurisdiction of  
15 the Authority.

16 (c) Audits, inspections, investigations, publication of notices,  
17 reports and retaining consultants connected with that maintenance  
18 and participation.

19 (d) The salaries, travel expenses and subsistence allowances of  
20 the members of the Authority.

21 3. All money collected by the Authority pursuant to subsection  
22 2 of NRS 706.465 and subsection 4 of NRS 706.471 must be used to  
23 implement technological improvements in safety, reliability and  
24 efficiency within a county whose population is 700,000 or more,  
25 including, without limitation, the implementation of a computerized  
26 real-time data system to assist with the administration and  
27 enforcement of the provisions of NRS 706.011 to 706.791,  
28 inclusive. A computerized real-time data system implemented  
29 pursuant to this subsection must, at a minimum, satisfy the  
30 following criteria:

31 (a) While a vehicle is in service , ~~†within the jurisdiction of the~~  
32 ~~Authority.†~~ the system must be capable of collecting in real-time  
33 from the onboard computer of the vehicle, by wireless access  
34 through the onboard diagnostic port or other means, the vehicle  
35 identification number and the operating and telemetric data for the  
36 vehicle.

37 (b) While a vehicle is in service , ~~†within the jurisdiction of the~~  
38 ~~Authority.†~~ the system must be capable of collecting in real-time,  
39 from an onboard diagnostic device capable of using a global  
40 positioning system that is installed in the vehicle or any other  
41 onboard computer software system capable of using a global  
42 positioning system that is installed in the vehicle, the location of the  
43 vehicle by latitude and longitude, a record of the time at which the  
44 vehicle is at that location and operating and telemetric data for  
45 the vehicle.



1 (c) The system must be capable of allowing the operator of a  
2 vehicle, while the vehicle is in service , ~~within the jurisdiction of~~  
3 ~~the Authority.~~ to register in the system, at the beginning and end of  
4 each shift, his or her identity and the number of his or her permit or  
5 certificate of public convenience and necessity.

6 (d) The system must be capable of allowing, in a manner  
7 prescribed by the Authority, a holder of a certificate of public  
8 convenience and necessity to digitally associate himself or herself  
9 with a vehicle for which the Authority has issued a certificate,  
10 license or other authorization.

11 (e) The system must be capable of presenting, in real-time to the  
12 Authority, searchable histories of the information and data described  
13 in this subsection in both a format that displays the information and  
14 data in tables and a digital map format that displays streets and  
15 highways.

16 (f) The system must be capable of presenting to a passenger,  
17 through an application on a mobile device or an interactive, digital  
18 display or other onboard system in the vehicle, sufficient  
19 information for the passenger to select and direct the operator of the  
20 vehicle to the passenger's desired destination by the passenger's  
21 desired route. The information must include, without limitation,  
22 sufficient information for the passenger to:

23 (1) Select the shortest route by time or distance to the  
24 passenger's desired destination;

25 (2) Select a multi-segment trip directed by the passenger;

26 (3) Select the least expensive route to the passenger's desired  
27 destination; and

28 (4) Make a digital record of the passenger's selection that is  
29 accessible during and after the trip by the passenger, the Authority,  
30 the operator and the holder of the certificate of public convenience  
31 and necessity.

32 (g) The system must be capable of presenting to the operator of  
33 the vehicle, through an application on a mobile device or an  
34 interactive, digital display or other onboard system in the vehicle,  
35 sufficient information for the operator to:

36 (1) Determine the shortest route by time or distance to the  
37 passenger's desired destination and the least expensive route to the  
38 passenger's desired destination;

39 (2) Follow a multi-segment, passenger-directed trip by the  
40 least expensive route to the passenger's desired destination; and

41 (3) Allow the passenger to make a digital record of a  
42 selection of a desired route to the passenger's destination that is  
43 accessible during and after the trip by the passenger, the Authority,  
44 the operator and the holder of the certificate of public convenience  
45 and necessity.



1 (h) The system must be capable of allowing a passenger to  
2 register comments and complaints with the Authority, the operator  
3 of the vehicle and the holder of the certificate of public convenience  
4 and necessity, through an application on a mobile device or an  
5 interactive digital display screen or other onboard system in the  
6 vehicle.

7 (i) The system must be capable of assisting the Authority in the  
8 development of additional preventive measures to detect, investigate  
9 and deter the practice of transporting a passenger to a selected  
10 destination by a route that is more expensive than necessary under  
11 the circumstances of the trip.

12 (j) The system must be capable of providing to the Authority  
13 reliable real-time and historic information concerning service  
14 demands, market data, vehicle usage, wait time and customer  
15 complaints and comments.

16 (k) The system must be capable of allowing holders of a  
17 certificate of convenience and public necessity to use the system to  
18 provide cooperative dispatch and electronic hailing services to the  
19 public pursuant to NRS 706.165.

20 4. The Authority shall not use the information and data  
21 collected pursuant to paragraph (a) or (b) of subsection 3 for any  
22 purpose other than the purposes set forth in those paragraphs unless  
23 the Authority has adopted regulations governing the additional use.

24 5. The Authority may operate the computerized real-time data  
25 system implemented pursuant to subsection 3 or enter into an  
26 agreement for the provision of such service. If the Authority enters  
27 into such an agreement, the Authority shall ensure that all the  
28 information and data collected by the computerized real-time data  
29 system is under the control of the Authority.

30 6. All claims against the Account must be paid as other claims  
31 against the State are paid.

32 7. The Authority must furnish upon request a statement  
33 showing the balance remaining in the Account as of the close of the  
34 preceding fiscal year.

35 8. As used in this section, "real time" means the transmission  
36 of information at a rate no longer than once every 6 seconds, unless  
37 the Authority authorizes a longer rate while a vehicle is  
38 experiencing a low volume of trips.

39 **Sec. 7.** NRS 706.881 is hereby amended to read as follows:

40 706.881 ~~++~~ The provisions of NRS 372B.160 and 706.8811  
41 to 706.885, inclusive, *and sections 2 and 3 of this act*, apply to any  
42 county ~~+~~

43 ~~—(a) Whose} whose~~ population is 700,000 or more. ~~}; or~~  
44 ~~—(b) For whom regulation by the Taxicab Authority is not~~  
45 ~~required, if the board of county commissioners of the county has~~



1 ~~enacted an ordinance approving the inclusion of the county within~~  
2 ~~the jurisdiction of the Taxicab Authority.~~

3 ~~—2. Upon receipt of a certified copy of such an ordinance from a~~  
4 ~~county for whom regulation by the Taxicab Authority is not~~  
5 ~~required, the Taxicab Authority shall exercise its regulatory~~  
6 ~~authority pursuant to NRS 706.8811 to 706.885, inclusive, within~~  
7 ~~that county.~~

8 ~~—3. Within any such county, the provisions of this chapter which~~  
9 ~~confer regulatory authority over taxicab motor carriers upon the~~  
10 ~~Nevada Transportation Authority do not apply.~~

11 **Sec. 8.** NRS 706.8811 is hereby amended to read as follows:

12 706.8811 As used in NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, *and*  
13 *sections 2 and 3 of this act*, unless the context otherwise requires,  
14 the words and terms defined in NRS ~~[706.8812]~~ *706.8813* to  
15 706.8817, inclusive, *and sections 2 and 3 of this act*, have the  
16 meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

17 **Sec. 9.** NRS 706.8813 is hereby amended to read as follows:

18 706.8813 “Certificate holder” means a person who holds a  
19 current certificate of public convenience and necessity which was  
20 issued for the operation of a taxicab business by:

21 1. The Public Service Commission of Nevada before July 1,  
22 1981, and which has not been transferred, revoked or suspended by  
23 the Nevada Transportation Authority, the Taxicab Authority or the  
24 Public Utilities Commission of Nevada, or by operation of law; ~~or~~

25 2. The Taxicab Authority *before January 1, 2018*, and which  
26 has not been transferred, revoked or suspended by the ~~{Taxicab}~~  
27 *Nevada Transportation* Authority or by operation of law ~~{}~~; *or*

28 3. *The Nevada Transportation Authority and which has not*  
29 *been transferred, revoked or suspended by the Nevada*  
30 *Transportation Authority or by operation of law.*

31 **Sec. 10.** NRS 706.88181 is hereby amended to read as  
32 follows:

33 706.88181 1. The ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority shall adopt such  
34 regulations as are necessary to:

- 35 (a) Carry out the provisions of NRS 706.88396; and  
36 (b) Ensure that the taxicab business remains safe, adequate and  
37 reliable.

38 2. Such regulations must include, without limitation:

- 39 (a) The minimum qualifications for an independent contractor;  
40 (b) Requirements related to liability insurance;  
41 (c) Minimum safety standards; and  
42 (d) The procedure for approving a lease agreement and the  
43 provisions that must be included in a lease agreement concerning  
44 the grounds for the revocation of such approval.



1       **3. Local law enforcement agencies and the Nevada Highway**  
2 **Patrol, upon request of the Authority, may assist in enforcing the**  
3 **provisions of NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, and sections 2**  
4 **and 3 of this act, and regulations adopted pursuant thereto.**

5       **Sec. 11.** NRS 706.88182 is hereby amended to read as  
6 follows:

7       706.88182 1. The ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority shall adopt regulations  
8 establishing a program for the transportation by taxicab of elderly  
9 persons and persons with permanent disabilities.

10       2. The program must require the ~~{Administrator}~~ **Chair** to  
11 establish, maintain and make known a telephone number for elderly  
12 persons and persons with permanent disabilities to register  
13 complaints regarding transportation by taxicab.

14       3. The program must require a certificate holder to inform a  
15 person who requests transportation by taxicab within the area  
16 allocated to the certificate holder and who identifies himself or  
17 herself as an elderly person or a person with a permanent disability  
18 of the:

19       (a) Estimated time of arrival of the requested taxicab; and

20       (b) Telephone number maintained by the ~~{Administrator}~~ **Chair**  
21 pursuant to subsection 2.

22       **Sec. 12.** NRS 706.88183 is hereby amended to read as  
23 follows:

24       706.88183 1. The ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority shall implement a  
25 system to verify through the computerized real-time data system  
26 implemented pursuant to subsection ~~{4}~~ **3** of NRS 706.8825 the  
27 validity of a temporary or permanent medallion issued by the  
28 ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority.

29       2. As used in this section, "medallion" means the temporary or  
30 permanent authority to operate a taxicab ~~{within the jurisdiction of~~  
31 ~~the Taxicab Authority}~~ which is issued by the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority  
32 pursuant to NRS 706.8811 to 706.885, inclusive ~~{1}~~, **and sections 2**  
33 **and 3 of this act.**

34       **Sec. 13.** NRS 706.88184 is hereby amended to read as  
35 follows:

36       706.88184 1. Upon application by a certificate holder, the  
37 ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority shall authorize the certificate holder to use the  
38 computerized real-time data system for the purposes of offering  
39 cooperative dispatch and electronic hailing services for taxicabs to  
40 the public.

41       2. If two or more certificate holders apply to the ~~{Taxicab}~~  
42 Authority to use the computerized real-time data system for the  
43 purposes set forth in subsection 1, the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority must  
44 establish, by regulation or order, rules providing for the use of the



1 computerized real-time data system by two or more certificate  
2 holders for the purposes set forth in subsection 1.

3 3. The ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority shall:

4 (a) Authorize the certificate holders who are authorized to use  
5 the computerized real-time data system for the purposes set forth in  
6 subsection 1 to impose a reasonable charge for the use by a  
7 passenger of the computerized real-time data system. The charge:

8 (1) Must be separate from any other rate, fare or charge for  
9 taxicab service;

10 (2) Is not required to be uniform within a county; and

11 (3) May be assessed in accordance with a schedule of  
12 charges based upon factors approved by the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority.

13 (b) Establish, by regulation or order, requirements for the  
14 publication by certificate holders of the charge or the schedule of  
15 charges for the use by a passenger of the computerized real-time  
16 data system for the purposes set forth in subsection 1.

17 4. As used in this section, "computerized real-time data  
18 system" means the computerized real-time data system implemented  
19 by the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority pursuant to subsection ~~{4}~~ 3 of  
20 NRS 706.8825.

21 **Sec. 14.** NRS 706.88185 is hereby amended to read as  
22 follows:

23 706.88185 1. When the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority has reason to  
24 believe that any provision of NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive,  
25 *and sections 2 and 3 of this act*, is being violated, the ~~{Taxicab}~~  
26 Authority shall investigate the alleged violation. After a hearing the  
27 ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority may issue an order requiring that the certificate  
28 holder cease and desist from any action that is in violation of NRS  
29 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive ~~{1}~~, *and sections 2 and 3 of this act*.

30 2. The ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority shall enforce an order issued  
31 pursuant to subsection 1 in accordance with the provisions of NRS  
32 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive ~~{1}~~, *and sections 2 and 3 of this act*.

33 **Sec. 15.** NRS 706.8819 is hereby amended to read as follows:

34 706.8819 1. The ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority shall conduct hearings  
35 and make final decisions in the following matters:

36 (a) Applications to adjust, alter or change the rates, charges or  
37 fares for taxicab service;

38 (b) Applications for certificates of public convenience and  
39 necessity to operate a taxicab service;

40 (c) Applications requesting authority to transfer any existing  
41 interest in a certificate of public convenience and necessity or in a  
42 corporation that holds a certificate of public convenience and  
43 necessity to operate a taxicab business;





1 (d) Applications to change the total number of allocated taxicabs  
2 in a county to which NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, *and*  
3 *sections 2 and 3 of this act*, apply; and

4 (e) Appeals from final decisions of the ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair*  
5 made pursuant to NRS 706.8822.

6 2. Any final decision of the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority pursuant to  
7 this section is subject to judicial review pursuant to NRS 233B.130.

8 **Sec. 16.** NRS 706.8821 is hereby amended to read as follows:

9 706.8821 1. The ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* is responsible for the  
10 control and regulation of the taxicab industry in any county to which  
11 NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, *and sections 2 and 3 of this*  
12 *act*, apply and for the administration of NRS 706.881 to 706.885,  
13 inclusive ~~{}~~, *and sections 2 and 3 of this act*.

14 2. The ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* shall appoint:

15 (a) One accountant and such auditors as are necessary to enable  
16 the ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* to perform the ~~{Administrator's}~~ *Chair's*  
17 official functions properly; and

18 (b) Such other employees as are necessary to enable the  
19 ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* to perform the ~~{Administrator's}~~ *Chair's*  
20 official functions properly, including, without limitation, a staff  
21 attorney to perform legal services or serve as a hearing officer.

22 **Sec. 17.** NRS 706.8822 is hereby amended to read as follows:

23 706.8822 The ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* shall conduct  
24 administrative hearings and make final decisions, subject to appeal  
25 by any aggrieved party to the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority, in the following  
26 matters:

27 1. Any violation relating to the issuance of or transfer of  
28 license plates for motor carriers required by either the ~~{Taxicab}~~  
29 Authority or the Department of Motor Vehicles;

30 2. Complaints against certificate holders;

31 3. Complaints against taxicab drivers;

32 4. Applications for, or suspension or revocation of, drivers'  
33 permits which may be required by the ~~{Administrator;}~~ *Chair*; and

34 5. Imposition of monetary penalties.

35 **Sec. 18.** NRS 706.88235 is hereby amended to read as  
36 follows:

37 706.88235 1. Whenever the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority or the  
38 ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* is authorized or required by law to conduct a  
39 hearing, the ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* may issue subpoenas requiring  
40 the attendance of witnesses before the Authority or the  
41 ~~{Administrator;}~~ *Chair*, respectively, together with all books,  
42 memoranda, papers and other documents relative to the matters for  
43 which the hearing is called and take depositions within or without  
44 the State, as the circumstances of the case may require.



1 2. The district court in and for the county in which any hearing  
2 is being conducted may compel the attendance of witnesses, the  
3 giving of testimony and the production of books and papers as  
4 required by any subpoena issued by the ~~{Administrator,}~~ Chair.

5 3. In case of the refusal of any witness to attend or testify or  
6 produce any papers required by the subpoena, the ~~{Administrator,}~~  
7 Chair may report to the district court in and for the county in which  
8 the hearing is pending by petition, setting forth:

9 (a) That due notice has been given of the time and place of  
10 attendance of the witness or the production of the books and papers;

11 (b) That the witness has been subpoenaed in the manner  
12 prescribed in this section; and

13 (c) That the witness has failed and refused to attend or produce  
14 the papers required by subpoena before the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority or  
15 the ~~{Administrator,}~~ Chair in the hearing named in the subpoena, or  
16 has refused to answer questions propounded to the witness in the  
17 course of the hearing,

18 and asking an order of the court compelling the witness to attend  
19 and testify or produce the books or papers before the Authority or  
20 the ~~{Administrator,}~~ Chair.

21 4. The court, upon petition of the ~~{Administrator,}~~ Chair shall  
22 enter an order directing the witness to appear before the court at a  
23 time and place to be fixed by the court in the order, the time to be  
24 not more than 10 days from the date of the order, and then and there  
25 show cause why the witness has not attended or testified or  
26 produced the books or papers. A certified copy of the order must be  
27 served upon the witness. If it appears to the court that the subpoena  
28 was regularly issued by the ~~{Administrator,}~~ Chair, the court may  
29 thereupon enter an order that the witness appear before the  
30 Authority or the ~~{Administrator,}~~ Chair at the time and place fixed in  
31 the order and testify or produce the required books or papers, and  
32 upon failure to obey the order the witness must be dealt with as for  
33 contempt of court.

34 **Sec. 19.** NRS 706.88237 is hereby amended to read as  
35 follows:

36 706.88237 The ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority may:

37 1. Determine the circumstances that require a temporary  
38 increase in the number of taxicabs allocated pursuant to NRS  
39 706.8824; and

40 2. Allocate a temporary increase in the number of taxicabs  
41 pursuant to NRS 706.88245 when the circumstances require the  
42 increase.

43 **Sec. 20.** NRS 706.8824 is hereby amended to read as follows:

44 706.8824 1. In determining whether circumstances require  
45 the establishment of a system of allocations or a change in existing



1 allocations, the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority shall consider the interests,  
2 welfare, convenience, necessity and well-being of the customers of  
3 taxicabs.

4 2. Whenever circumstances require the establishment of a  
5 system of allocations, the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority shall allocate the  
6 number of taxicabs among the certificate holders in the county in a  
7 manner which reflects the number of taxicabs operated by each  
8 certificate holder during the 5 years immediately preceding the date  
9 ~~{of establishment of the Taxicab Authority in}~~ *that* the county ~~{~~  
10 *became subject to the provisions of NRS 706.881 to 706.885,*  
11 *inclusive, and sections 2 and 3 of this act.*

12 3. Whenever circumstances require an increase in the existing  
13 allocations, the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority shall allocate the additional  
14 taxicabs equally among all the certificate holders who apply from  
15 the area to be affected by the allocation.

16 4. Unless a certificate holder puts the additionally allocated  
17 taxicabs into service within 30 days after the effective date of the  
18 increased allocation, the increased allocation to that certificate  
19 holder is void.

20 5. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the  
21 ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority may attach to the exercise of the rights granted  
22 by the allocation any terms and conditions which in its judgment the  
23 public interest may require. The ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority may:

24 (a) Not limit the geographical area from which service is offered  
25 or provided.

26 (b) Limit the hours of service, but such a limitation must not  
27 reduce hours of service to less than 12 consecutive hours in a  
28 24-hour period.

29 ➔ If a limitation is placed on an allocation, taxicabs must be marked  
30 in a distinctive manner that indicates the limitation.

31 6. The ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority shall review annually:

32 (a) The existing allocation of taxicabs; and

33 (b) The rates, charges or fares of the certificate holders in its  
34 jurisdiction.

35 **Sec. 21.** NRS 706.88245 is hereby amended to read as  
36 follows:

37 706.88245 1. In determining whether circumstances require a  
38 temporary increase in the number of taxicabs allocated pursuant to  
39 NRS 706.8824, the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority shall consider the interests,  
40 welfare, convenience, necessity and well-being of the customers of  
41 taxicabs.

42 2. Whenever circumstances require a temporary increase in the  
43 number of taxicabs allocated pursuant to NRS 706.8824, the  
44 ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority shall allocate the temporary increase equally



1 among the certificate holders in the area to be affected by the  
2 allocation.

3 3. The ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority shall determine:

- 4 (a) The number of additional taxicabs to be allocated;
- 5 (b) The hours of operation of the additional taxicabs; and
- 6 (c) The duration of the temporary allocation.

7 4. The ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority may adopt regulations governing  
8 temporary increases in the allocation of taxicabs pursuant to this  
9 section.

10 **Sec. 22.** NRS 706.8825 is hereby amended to read as follows:

11 706.8825 1. All fees collected pursuant to NRS 706.881 to  
12 706.885, inclusive, *and sections 2 and 3 of this act*, must be  
13 deposited by the ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* to the credit of the ~~{Taxicab}~~  
14 *Nevada Transportation Authority Fund, which is hereby*  
15 *Regulatory Account* created ~~[as a special revenue fund.]~~ *by NRS*  
16 *706.1516.* The transactions for each county subject to ~~{those~~  
17 ~~sections}~~ *NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, and sections 2 and 3*  
18 *of this act*, must be accounted for separately within the ~~{Fund.}~~  
19 *Account.*

20 2. ~~{The interest and income earned on the money in the Fund,~~  
21 ~~after deducting any applicable charges, must be credited to the~~  
22 ~~Fund.~~

23 ~~—3.~~ The revenues received pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS  
24 706.8826 are hereby appropriated to defray the cost of regulating  
25 taxicabs in the county or the city, respectively, making the deposit  
26 under that subsection.

27 ~~{4.}~~ 3. The fees received pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS  
28 706.8826, NRS 706.8827, 706.8841, 706.8848, 706.8849 and  
29 706.885 are hereby appropriated to defray the cost of regulating  
30 taxicabs in the county in which the certificate holder operates a  
31 taxicab business. The technology fees received pursuant to  
32 paragraph (c) of subsection 3 of NRS 706.8826 must be used to  
33 implement technological improvements in safety, reliability and  
34 efficiency, including, without limitation, the implementation of a  
35 computerized real-time data system to assist with the regulation of  
36 the taxicabs in the county in which the certificate holder operates a  
37 taxicab business. A computerized real-time data system  
38 implemented pursuant to this subsection must, at a minimum, satisfy  
39 the following criteria:

40 (a) While a taxicab is in service within the jurisdiction of the  
41 ~~{Taxicab Authority.}~~ *county or the city, respectively, that is subject*  
42 *to NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, and sections 2 and 3 of this*  
43 *act*, the system must be capable of collecting in real-time from the  
44 onboard computer of the taxicab, by wireless access through the



1 onboard diagnostic port or other means, the vehicle identification  
2 number and operating and telemetric data for the vehicle.

3 (b) While a taxicab is in service within the jurisdiction of the  
4 ~~{Taxicab Authority,}~~ *county or the city, respectively, that is subject*  
5 *to NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, and sections 2 and 3 of this*  
6 *act*, the system must be capable of collecting in real-time, from an  
7 onboard diagnostic device capable of using a global positioning  
8 system that is installed in the taxicab or any other onboard computer  
9 software system capable of using a global positioning system that is  
10 installed in the taxicab, the location of the taxicab by latitude and  
11 longitude, a record of the time at which the taxicab is at that location  
12 and operating and telemetric data for the vehicle.

13 (c) The system must be capable of allowing the driver of a  
14 taxicab, while the taxicab is in service within the jurisdiction of the  
15 ~~{Taxicab Authority,}~~ *county or the city, respectively, that is subject*  
16 *to NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, and sections 2 and 3 of this*  
17 *act*, to register in the system, at the beginning and end of each shift,  
18 his or her identity and the number of his or her driver's permit.

19 (d) The system must be capable of allowing, in a manner  
20 prescribed by the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority, a certificate holder to  
21 digitally associate a taxicab with a temporary or permanent  
22 medallion for the purpose of verifying the validity of a temporary or  
23 permanent medallion pursuant to NRS 706.88183. As used in this  
24 paragraph, "medallion" has the meaning ascribed to it in  
25 NRS 706.88183.

26 (e) The system must be capable of presenting, in real-time to the  
27 ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority, searchable histories, in both a format that  
28 displays the information and data in tables and a digital map format  
29 that displays streets and highways, of:

30 (1) The information and data described in this subsection;  
31 and

32 (2) The information described in NRS 706.8844.

33 (f) The system must be capable of presenting to a passenger,  
34 through an application on a mobile device or on an interactive,  
35 digital display or other onboard system in the taxicab, sufficient  
36 information for the passenger to select and direct the driver to the  
37 passenger's desired destination by the passenger's desired route.  
38 The information must include, without limitation, sufficient  
39 information for the passenger to:

40 (1) Select the shortest route by time or distance to the  
41 passenger's desired destination;

42 (2) Select a multi-segment trip directed by the passenger;

43 (3) Select the least expensive route to the passenger's desired  
44 destination; and



1 (4) Make a digital record of the passenger's selection that is  
2 accessible during and after the trip by the passenger, the ~~{Taxicab}~~  
3 Authority, the driver and the certificate holder.

4 (g) The system must be capable of presenting to the driver,  
5 through an application on a mobile device or an interactive, digital  
6 display or other onboard system in the taxicab, sufficient  
7 information for the driver to:

8 (1) Determine the shortest route by time or distance to the  
9 passenger's desired destination and the least expensive route to the  
10 passenger's desired destination;

11 (2) Follow a multi-segment, passenger-directed trip by the  
12 least expensive route to the passenger's desired destination; and

13 (3) Allow the passenger to make a digital record of a  
14 selection of a desired route to the passenger's destination that is  
15 accessible during and after the trip by the passenger, the ~~{Taxicab}~~  
16 Authority, the driver and the certificate holder.

17 (h) The system must be capable of allowing passengers to  
18 register comments and complaints with the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority, the  
19 driver and the certificate holder, through an application on a mobile  
20 device or an interactive digital display screen or other onboard  
21 system in the taxicab.

22 (i) The system must be capable of assisting the ~~{Taxicab}~~  
23 Authority in the development of additional preventive measures to  
24 detect, investigate and deter the practice of transporting a passenger  
25 to a selected destination by a route that is more expensive than  
26 necessary under the circumstances of the trip.

27 (j) The system must be capable of providing to the ~~{Taxicab}~~  
28 Authority reliable real-time and historic information concerning  
29 service demands, market data, vehicle usage, wait times and  
30 customer complaints and comments for use by the ~~{Taxicab}~~  
31 Authority to make decisions concerning the allocation of medallions  
32 pursuant to NRS 706.88237, 706.8824 and 706.88245.

33 (k) The system must be capable of allowing certificate holders  
34 to use the system to provide cooperative dispatch and electronic  
35 hailing services to the public pursuant to NRS 706.88184.

36 ~~{5-}~~ 4. The ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority shall not use the information  
37 and data collected pursuant to paragraph (a) or (b) of subsection ~~{4}~~  
38 3 for any purpose other than the purposes set forth in those  
39 paragraphs unless the Authority has adopted regulations governing  
40 the additional use.

41 ~~{6-}~~ 5. The ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority may operate the computerized  
42 real-time data system implemented pursuant to subsection ~~{4}~~ 3 or  
43 enter into an agreement for the provision of such service. If the  
44 ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority enters into such an agreement, the ~~{Taxicab}~~  
45 Authority shall ensure that all the information and data collected by



1 the computerized real-time data system is under the control of the  
2 ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority.

3 ~~{7}~~ 6. Any balance remaining in the ~~{Fund}~~ *Account as*  
4 *described in this section* does not revert to the State General Fund.  
5 The ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* may transfer to the Aging and Disability  
6 Services Division of the Department of Health and Human Services  
7 any balance over \$200,000 and any interest earned on the ~~{Fund}~~,  
8 *Account*, within the limits of legislative authorization for each fiscal  
9 year, to subsidize transportation for elderly persons and persons  
10 with permanent disabilities in taxicabs. The money transferred to the  
11 Aging and Disability Services Division must be administered in  
12 accordance with regulations adopted by the Administrator of the  
13 Aging and Disability Services Division pursuant to NRS 427A.070.

14 ~~{8}~~ 7. The ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* may establish an account for  
15 petty cash not to exceed \$2,000 for the support of undercover  
16 investigation, and if the account is created, the ~~{Administrator}~~  
17 *Chair* shall reimburse the account from the ~~{Taxicab}~~ *Nevada*  
18 *Transportation Authority* ~~{Fund}~~ *Regulatory Account* in the same  
19 manner as other claims against the State are paid.

20 ~~{9}~~ 8. As used in this section, "real time" means the  
21 transmission of information at a rate no longer than once every 6  
22 seconds, unless the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority authorizes a longer rate  
23 while a taxicab is experiencing a low volume of trips.

24 **Sec. 23.** NRS 706.8826 is hereby amended to read as follows:

25 706.8826 1. The board of county commissioners of any  
26 county in which there is in effect an order for the allocation of  
27 taxicabs from ~~{a taxicab authority,}~~ *the Authority*, and the governing  
28 body of each city within any such county, shall deposit to the credit  
29 of the ~~{Taxicab}~~ *Nevada Transportation Authority* ~~{Fund}~~  
30 *Regulatory Account created by NRS 706.1516* all of the tax  
31 revenue which is received from the taxicab business operating in the  
32 county and city, respectively.

33 2. For the purpose of calculating the amount due to the State  
34 under subsection 1, the tax revenue of a county does not include any  
35 amount which represents a payment for the use of county facilities  
36 or property.

37 3. Any certificate holder who is subject to an order of  
38 allocation by the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority shall pay to the ~~{Taxicab}~~  
39 Authority:

40 (a) A fee of \$100 per year for each taxicab that the ~~{Taxicab}~~  
41 Authority has allocated to the certificate holder;

42 (b) A fee set by the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority that must not exceed 20  
43 cents per trip for each compensable trip of each of those taxicabs;  
44 and



1 (c) A technology fee in an amount set by the ~~{Taxicab}~~  
2 Authority for each compensable trip of each of those taxicabs.

3 ➔ The fees set forth in paragraphs (b) and (c) must be added to the  
4 meter charge.

5 4. The money received by the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority pursuant to  
6 this section must be deposited in the State Treasury to the credit of  
7 the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Nevada Transportation Authority ~~{Fund}~~ Regulatory  
8 Account.

9 **Sec. 24.** NRS 706.8827 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10 706.8827 1. A person shall not engage in the taxicab business  
11 unless the person:

12 (a) Holds a certificate of public convenience and necessity from  
13 the Public Service Commission of Nevada issued before July 1,  
14 1981, which has not been transferred, revoked or suspended by the  
15 ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority; ~~for~~

16 (b) ~~{Currently holds}~~ Holds a certificate of public convenience  
17 and necessity from the Taxicab Authority ~~as provided in this~~  
18 ~~section.~~ issued before January 1, 2018, which has not been  
19 transferred, revoked or suspended by the Nevada Transportation  
20 Authority; or

21 (c) *Currently holds a certificate of public convenience and*  
22 *necessity from the Nevada Transportation Authority as provided in*  
23 *this section.*

24 2. Upon the filing of an application for a certificate of public  
25 convenience and necessity, the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority shall fix a time  
26 and place for a hearing thereon. The ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority shall issue  
27 the certificate if it finds that:

28 (a) The applicant is fit, willing and able to perform the services  
29 of a taxicab motor carrier;

30 (b) The proposed operation will be consistent with the  
31 legislative policies set forth in NRS 706.151;

32 (c) The granting of the certificate will not unreasonably and  
33 adversely affect other carriers operating in the territory for which  
34 the certificate is sought;

35 (d) The holders of existing certificates will not meet the needs of  
36 the territory for which the certificate is sought if the certificate is not  
37 granted; and

38 (e) The proposed service will benefit the public and the taxicab  
39 business in the territory to be served.

40 3. The applicant for a certificate has the burden of proving to  
41 the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority that the proposed operation will meet the  
42 requirements of subsection 2. The ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority shall not find  
43 that the potential creation of competition in a territory which may be  
44 caused by the granting of a certificate, by itself, will unreasonably





1 and adversely affect other carriers operating in the territory for the  
2 purposes of paragraph (c) of subsection 2.

3 4. The applicant must submit an application fee of \$200, which  
4 must not be refunded, with the application. The applicant must also  
5 pay those amounts which are billed to the applicant by the Authority  
6 for reasonable costs incurred by it in conducting an investigation or  
7 hearing regarding the applicant.

8 5. The ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority may attach to the exercise of the  
9 rights granted by the certificate any terms and conditions which in  
10 its judgment the public interest may require.

11 6. The ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority may dispense with the hearing on  
12 the application if, upon the expiration of the time fixed in the notice  
13 of the hearing, no protest against the granting of the certificate has  
14 been filed by or on behalf of any person.

15 7. Any person who has been denied a certificate of public  
16 convenience and necessity after a hearing may not file a similar  
17 application with the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority covering the same type of  
18 service and over the same route or routes or in the same territory for  
19 which the certificate of public convenience and necessity was  
20 denied except after the expiration of 180 days from the date the  
21 certificate was denied.

22 **Sec. 25.** NRS 706.8828 is hereby amended to read as follows:

23 706.8828 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, a  
24 certificate holder shall file with the ~~{Administrator;}~~ *Chair*, and keep  
25 in effect at all times, a policy of insurance with an insurance  
26 company licensed to do business in the State of Nevada.

27 2. The insurance policy specified in subsection 1 must:

28 (a) Provide the following coverage:  
29

- 30 For injury to one person in any one crash ..... \$100,000
- 31 For injury to two or more persons in any one crash .... 300,000
- 32 For property damage in any one crash ..... 10,000
- 33

34 (b) Contain a clause which states substantially that the insurance  
35 carrier may only cancel the policy upon 30 days' written notice to  
36 the certificate holder and ~~{Administrator;}~~ *Chair*; and

37 (c) Contain such other provisions concerning notice as may be  
38 required by law to be given to the certificate holder.

39 3. If an insurance policy is cancelled, the certificate holder  
40 shall not operate or cause to be operated any taxicab that was  
41 covered by the policy until other insurance is furnished.

42 4. A certificate holder to whom the Department of Motor  
43 Vehicles has issued a certificate of self-insurance may self-insure  
44 the coverage required by subsection 2.



1       **Sec. 26.** NRS 706.8829 is hereby amended to read as follows:

2       706.8829 1. A certificate holder shall maintain a uniform  
3 system of accounts in which all business transacted by the certificate  
4 holder is recorded. The accounts must be:

5       (a) Kept in a form prescribed by the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority;

6       (b) Before May 15 of each year, submitted to the ~~{Taxicab}~~  
7 Authority in an annual report in the form and detail prescribed by  
8 the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority;

9       (c) Retained for a period of 3 years after their receipt back from  
10 the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority; and

11       (d) Supplemented with such additional information as the  
12 ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority may require.

13       2. The ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority may examine the books, accounts,  
14 records, minutes and papers of a certificate holder at any reasonable  
15 time to determine their correctness and whether they are maintained  
16 in accordance with the regulations adopted by the ~~{Taxicab}~~  
17 Authority.

18       3. If a certificate holder fails to comply with any provision of  
19 this section in a timely manner, the ~~{Administrator,}~~ *Chair*, after  
20 hearing, may impose a fine of not more than \$1,000, commence  
21 proceedings to suspend or revoke the certificate of public  
22 convenience and necessity of the certificate holder, or both impose a  
23 fine and commence such proceedings.

24       **Sec. 27.** NRS 706.883 is hereby amended to read as follows:

25       706.883 1. A certificate holder shall maintain at the  
26 certificate holder's principal place of business:

27       (a) A record of the make and serial number of each taxicab;

28       (b) A maintenance record for each taxicab; and

29       (c) A copy of the medical certificates of each of the certificate  
30 holder's drivers.

31       2. The records of a certificate holder shall be open for  
32 inspection by the ~~{Administrator,}~~ *Chair* or the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority  
33 at any reasonable time.

34       **Sec. 28.** NRS 706.8833 is hereby amended to read as follows:

35       706.8833 1. The color scheme, insignie and design of the  
36 cruising lights of each taxicab must conform to those approved for  
37 the certificate holder pursuant to regulations of the ~~{Taxicab}~~  
38 Authority.

39       2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, the ~~{Taxicab}~~  
40 Authority shall approve or disapprove the color scheme, insignie and  
41 design of the cruising lights of the taxicabs of a certificate holder in  
42 any county, and shall ensure that the color scheme and insignie of  
43 one certificate holder are readily distinguishable from the color  
44 schemes and insignia of other certificate holders operating in the  
45 same county.



1 3. The ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority shall allow a certificate holder in  
2 any county to place advertisements on the exterior of the vehicles  
3 used as taxicabs in the operations of the certificate holder, provided  
4 that the taxicabs of the certificate holder which bear such  
5 advertisements are readily distinguishable from the taxicabs of other  
6 certificate holders operating in the same county by meeting the  
7 requirements of subsection 2 of NRS 706.8835.

8 **Sec. 29.** NRS 706.88355 is hereby amended to read as  
9 follows:

10 706.88355 1. A certificate holder may enter into a contract  
11 with an issuer of credit cards and debit cards to provide for the  
12 acceptance of credit cards or debit cards by the certificate holder for  
13 the payment of rates, fares and charges owed to the certificate  
14 holder.

15 2. The ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority may prescribe by regulation or  
16 order the maximum fee that a certificate holder may charge a  
17 customer for the convenience of using a credit card or debit card to  
18 make payment to the certificate holder. In prescribing such fees, the  
19 ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority may consider the expenses incurred by the  
20 certificate holder in accepting payment by a credit card or debit  
21 card, including, without limitation:

22 (a) Costs of required equipment and its installation;

23 (b) Administrative costs of processing credit card or debit card  
24 transactions; and

25 (c) Fees paid to issuers of credit cards or debit cards.

26 3. An issuer shall not, by contract or otherwise:

27 (a) Prohibit a certificate holder from charging and collecting a  
28 fee authorized pursuant to subsection 2; or

29 (b) Require a certificate holder to waive the right to charge and  
30 collect a fee authorized pursuant to subsection 2.

31 4. As used in this section, "issuer" means a business  
32 organization, financial institution or a duly authorized agency of a  
33 business organization or financial institution which:

34 (a) Issues a credit card or debit card; or

35 (b) Enters into a contract with a certificate holder or other  
36 person to enable or facilitate the acceptance of a credit card or debit  
37 card.

38 **Sec. 30.** NRS 706.8836 is hereby amended to read as follows:

39 706.8836 1. A certificate holder shall, for each of the  
40 certificate holder's taxicabs which is equipped with a taximeter,  
41 make provisions when installing the taximeter to allow sealing by  
42 the ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair*.

43 2. The ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* shall approve the types of  
44 taximeters which may be used on a taxicab. All taximeters must  
45 conform to a 2-percent plus or minus tolerance on the fare



1 recording, must be equipped with a signal device plainly visible  
2 from outside of the taxicab, must be equipped with a device which  
3 records fares and is plainly visible to the passenger and must register  
4 upon plainly visible counters the following items:

- 5 (a) Total miles;
- 6 (b) Paid miles;
- 7 (c) Number of units;
- 8 (d) Number of trips; and
- 9 (e) Number of extra passengers or extra charges.

10 3. The ~~{Administrator}~~ Chair shall inspect each taximeter  
11 before its use in a taxicab and shall, if the taximeter conforms to the  
12 standards specified in subsection 2, seal the taximeter.

13 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, a taximeter  
14 may be sealed by:

- 15 (a) Affixing a physical security seal to each access point of the  
16 taximeter; or
- 17 (b) Using an electronic security seal that is encrypted and  
18 protected by an audited authentication and authorization mechanism  
19 for each user that is accessible only by the ~~{Administrator}~~ Chair.

20 5. The ~~{Administrator}~~ Chair may require that each taximeter  
21 be sealed by an electronic security seal that is encrypted and  
22 protected by an audited authentication and authorization mechanism  
23 for each user that is accessible only by the ~~{Administrator}~~ Chair if  
24 the ~~{Administrator}~~ Chair:

- 25 (a) Makes a finding that the technology for the sealing method is  
26 commercially available and will reduce the costs to the ~~{Taxicab}~~  
27 Authority for inspecting taximeters; and
- 28 (b) Provides notice to each certificate holder at least 12 months  
29 before requiring the use of the sealing method.

30 6. The ~~{Administrator}~~ Chair may reinspect the taximeter at  
31 any reasonable time.

32 7. A certificate holder shall, for each of the certificate holder's  
33 taxicabs which is equipped with a device, method or system to  
34 indicate and determine the passenger fare charged other than a  
35 taximeter, provide verification to the ~~{Administrator}~~ Chair that the  
36 device, method or system adequately records fares and has an  
37 application or electronic means to plainly display to the passenger  
38 the rate and fare. Such a device, method or system must maintain  
39 and record:

- 40 (a) Total miles;
- 41 (b) Paid miles;
- 42 (c) Number of units;
- 43 (d) Number of trips; and
- 44 (e) Number of extra passengers or extra charges.



1 8. For the purposes of this section, “sealing” means prohibiting  
2 access to the elements of the taximeter used to calculate the items  
3 specified in subsection 2 by anyone other than the ~~{Administrator}~~  
4 *Chair*.

5 **Sec. 31.** NRS 706.8839 is hereby amended to read as follows:

6 706.8839 1. The ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* may inspect a taxicab  
7 at any reasonable time.

8 2. If the ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* finds that a taxicab is in a  
9 condition which violates NRS 706.8837, the ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair*  
10 shall remove the vehicle from service, shall place an out-of-service  
11 sticker on the windshield and shall notify the certificate holder of  
12 the defect. The vehicle shall remain out of service until the defect  
13 has been remedied and the ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* upon reinspection  
14 has approved the vehicle and removed the out-of-service sticker.

15 3. If the ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* finds that a taxicab is in a  
16 condition which violates NRS 706.8838, the ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair*  
17 shall notify the certificate holder of the improper condition and,  
18 after a reasonable time, shall reinspect the vehicle. If upon  
19 reinspection the violation has not been corrected, the vehicle shall  
20 be removed from service until it is reinspected and approved, as  
21 provided in subsection 2.

22 **Sec. 32.** NRS 706.88395 is hereby amended to read as  
23 follows:

24 706.88395 1. A vehicle used as a taxicab, limousine or other  
25 passenger vehicle in passenger service must be impounded by the  
26 ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* if a certificate of public convenience and  
27 necessity has not been issued authorizing its operation. A hearing  
28 must be held by the ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* no later than the  
29 conclusion of the second normal business day after impoundment,  
30 weekends and holidays excluded. As soon as practicable after  
31 impoundment, the ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* shall notify the registered  
32 owner of the vehicle:

33 (a) That the registered owner of the vehicle must post a bond in  
34 the amount of \$20,000 to ensure the registered owner’s presence at  
35 all proceedings held pursuant to this section;

36 (b) Of the time set for the hearing; and

37 (c) Of the registered owner’s right to be represented by counsel  
38 during all phases of the proceedings.

39 2. The ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* shall hold the vehicle until the  
40 registered owner of the vehicle appears and:

41 (a) Proves that the person is the registered owner of the vehicle;

42 (b) Proves that the person holds a valid certificate of public  
43 convenience and necessity;

44 (c) Proves that the vehicle meets all required standards of the  
45 Authority; and



1 (d) Posts a bond in the amount of \$20,000 with the  
2 ~~{Administrator}~~ Chair.

3 ↪ The ~~{Administrator}~~ Chair shall return the vehicle to its  
4 registered owner when the owner meets the requirements of this  
5 subsection and pays all costs of impoundment.

6 3. If the registered owner is unable to meet the requirements of  
7 paragraph (b) or (c) of subsection 2, the ~~{Administrator}~~ Chair may  
8 assess an administrative fine against the registered owner for each  
9 such violation in the amount of \$5,000. The maximum amount of  
10 the administrative fine that may be assessed against a registered  
11 owner for a single impoundment of the registered owner's vehicle  
12 pursuant to this section is \$10,000. The ~~{Administrator}~~ Chair shall  
13 return the vehicle after any administrative fine imposed pursuant to  
14 this subsection and all costs of impoundment have been paid.

15 **Sec. 33.** NRS 706.88396 is hereby amended to read as  
16 follows:

17 706.88396 1. A certificate holder may, upon approval from  
18 the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority, lease a taxicab to an independent contractor  
19 who is not a certificate holder. A certificate holder may lease only  
20 one taxicab to each independent contractor with whom the person  
21 enters into a lease agreement. The taxicab may be used only in a  
22 manner authorized by the certificate holder's certificate of public  
23 convenience and necessity.

24 2. A certificate holder who enters into a lease agreement with  
25 an independent contractor pursuant to this section shall submit a  
26 copy of the agreement to the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority for its approval.  
27 The agreement is not effective until approved by the ~~{Taxicab}~~  
28 Authority.

29 3. A certificate holder who leases a taxicab to an independent  
30 contractor is jointly and severally liable with the independent  
31 contractor for any violation of the provisions of this chapter or the  
32 regulations adopted pursuant thereto, and shall ensure that the  
33 independent contractor complies with such provisions and  
34 regulations.

35 4. The ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority or any of its employees may  
36 intervene in a civil action involving a lease agreement entered into  
37 pursuant to this section.

38 **Sec. 34.** NRS 706.8841 is hereby amended to read as follows:

39 706.8841 1. The ~~{Administrator}~~ Chair shall issue a driver's  
40 permit to qualified persons who wish to be employed by certificate  
41 holders as taxicab drivers. Before issuing a driver's permit, the  
42 ~~{Administrator}~~ Chair shall:

43 (a) Require the applicant to submit a complete set of the  
44 applicant's fingerprints which the ~~{Administrator}~~ Chair may  
45 forward to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal



1 History for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation to  
2 ascertain whether the applicant has a criminal record and the nature  
3 of any such record, and shall further investigate the applicant's  
4 background; and

5 (b) Require proof that the applicant:

6 (1) Has been a resident of the State for 30 days before the  
7 application for a permit;

8 (2) Can read and orally communicate in the English  
9 language; and

10 (3) Has a valid license issued under NRS 483.325 which  
11 authorizes the applicant to drive a taxicab in this State.

12 2. The ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* may refuse to issue a driver's  
13 permit if the applicant has been convicted of:

14 (a) A felony relating to the practice of taxicab drivers in this  
15 State or any other jurisdiction at any time before the date of the  
16 application;

17 (b) A felony involving any sexual offense in this State or any  
18 other jurisdiction at any time before the date of the application;

19 (c) A violation of NRS 484C.110, 484C.120 or 484C.430 or a  
20 law of any other jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar  
21 conduct within 3 years before the date of the application; or

22 (d) A violation of NRS 484C.130 or a law of any other  
23 jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct.

24 3. The ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* may refuse to issue a driver's  
25 permit if the ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair*, after the background  
26 investigation of the applicant, determines that the applicant is  
27 morally unfit or if the issuance of the driver's permit would be  
28 detrimental to public health, welfare or safety.

29 4. A taxicab driver shall pay to the ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair*, in  
30 advance, \$40 for an original driver's permit and \$10 for a renewal.

31 **Sec. 35.** NRS 706.8843 is hereby amended to read as follows:

32 706.8843 1. A certificate holder shall not employ a driver  
33 unless the driver has obtained and has on the driver's person:

34 (a) A valid driver's license for the State of Nevada obtained  
35 under the provisions of NRS 483.010 to 483.630, inclusive;

36 (b) A copy of a medical examiner's certificate obtained pursuant  
37 to NRS 706.8842; and

38 (c) A driver's permit issued by the ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair*  
39 pursuant to rules and regulations of the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority.

40 2. A certificate holder shall, at the time the certificate holder  
41 employs a driver, provide the driver with a complete copy of the  
42 rules and regulations described in NRS 706.8844 to 706.88499,  
43 inclusive, and such other rules and regulations as may be adopted by  
44 the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority, and require the driver to sign a statement



1 that the driver has received a copy of the regulations and has read  
2 and familiarized himself or herself with the contents thereof.

3 **Sec. 36.** NRS 706.8844 is hereby amended to read as follows:

4 706.8844 1. A certificate holder shall require the certificate  
5 holder's drivers to keep a daily trip sheet in a form to be prescribed  
6 by the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority, including, without limitation, in  
7 electronic form.

8 2. At the beginning of each period of duty the driver shall  
9 record on the driver's trip sheet:

10 (a) The driver's name and the number of the taxicab;

11 (b) The time at which the driver began the period of duty by  
12 means of a time clock provided by the certificate holder;

13 (c) If the taxicab is equipped with a taximeter, the meter  
14 readings for total miles, paid miles, trips, units, extra passengers and  
15 extra charges; and

16 (d) The odometer reading of the taxicab.

17 3. During each period of duty the driver shall record on the  
18 driver's trip sheet:

19 (a) The time, place of origin and destination of each trip; and

20 (b) The number of passengers and amount of fare for each trip.

21 4. At the end of each period of duty the driver shall record on  
22 the driver's trip sheet:

23 (a) The time at which the driver ended the period of duty by  
24 means of a time clock provided by the certificate holder;

25 (b) If the taxicab is equipped with a taximeter, the meter  
26 readings for total miles, paid miles, trips, units and extra passengers;  
27 and

28 (c) The odometer reading of the taxicab.

29 5. A certificate holder shall furnish a trip sheet form for each  
30 taxicab operated by a driver during the driver's period of duty and  
31 shall require the drivers to return their completed trip sheets at the  
32 end of each period of duty.

33 6. A certificate holder shall retain all trip sheets of all drivers in  
34 a safe place for a period of 3 years immediately succeeding  
35 December 31 of the year to which they respectively pertain and shall  
36 make such manifests available for inspection by the ~~{Administrator}~~  
37 *Chair* upon reasonable demand.

38 7. Any driver who maintains a trip sheet in a form less  
39 complete than that required by subsection 1 is guilty of a  
40 misdemeanor.

41 8. The ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* shall prescribe the requirements  
42 for the use of an electronic version of a daily trip sheet. If a  
43 certificate holder requires its drivers to keep a daily trip sheet in  
44 electronic form, the certificate holder may comply with the  
45 requirements of this section:





1 (a) By maintaining the information collected from the daily trip  
2 sheet in a secure database and providing the ~~{Administrator}~~ Chair  
3 with access to the information in the database at regular intervals  
4 established by the ~~{Administrator}~~ Chair and upon reasonable  
5 demand; or

6 (b) By reporting the information to the ~~{Administrator}~~ Chair on  
7 the computerized real-time data system implemented pursuant to  
8 subsection ~~{4}~~ 3 of NRS 706.8825.

9 **Sec. 37.** NRS 706.8848 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10 706.8848 1. If a driver violates any provision of NRS  
11 706.8844 to 706.8847, inclusive, the ~~{Administrator}~~ Chair may  
12 impose the following sanctions:

13 (a) First offense: Warning notice or a fine of not more than  
14 \$100, or both warning and fine.

15 (b) Second offense: 1 to 3 days' suspension of a driver's permit  
16 or a fine of not more than \$200, or both suspension and fine.

17 (c) Third offense: 4 to 6 days' suspension of a driver's permit or  
18 a fine of not more than \$300, or both suspension and fine.

19 (d) Fourth offense: 10 days' suspension of a driver's permit or a  
20 fine of not more than \$500, or both suspension and fine.

21 (e) Fifth offense: Revocation of a driver's permit or a fine of not  
22 more than \$500, or both revocation and fine.

23 2. Only violations occurring in the 12 months immediately  
24 preceding the most current violation shall be considered for the  
25 purposes of subsection 1. The ~~{Administrator}~~ Chair shall inspect  
26 the driver's record for that period to compute the number of offenses  
27 committed.

28 3. The ~~{Administrator}~~ Chair shall conduct a hearing prior to  
29 suspension or revocation of a driver's permit or imposing a fine  
30 under this section or NRS 706.8849.

31 **Sec. 38.** NRS 706.8849 is hereby amended to read as follows:

32 706.8849 1. If a taxicab is equipped with a taximeter, the  
33 taxicab driver shall:

34 (a) Ensure that the fare indicator on the taximeter of the taxicab  
35 reads zero before the time that the taxicab is engaged.

36 (b) Ensure that the taximeter of the taxicab is engaged while the  
37 taxicab is on hire.

38 (c) Not make any charge for the transportation of a passenger  
39 other than the charge shown on the taximeter.

40 (d) Not alter, manipulate, tamper with or disconnect a sealed  
41 taximeter or its attachments nor make any change in the mechanical  
42 condition of the wheels, tires or gears of a taxicab with intent to  
43 cause false registration on the taximeter of the passenger fare.

44 (e) Not permit any person or persons other than the person who  
45 has engaged the taxicab to ride therein unless the person who has



1 engaged the taxicab requests that the other person or persons ride in  
2 the taxicab. If more than one person is loaded by the taxicab driver  
3 as set forth in this paragraph, the driver shall, when one of the  
4 persons leaves the taxicab, charge that person the fare on the meter  
5 and reset the taximeter.

6 2. A taxicab driver shall:

7 (a) Not remove or alter fare schedules which have been posted  
8 in the taxicab by the certificate holder.

9 (b) Not drive a taxicab or go on duty while under the influence  
10 of, or impaired by, any controlled substance, dangerous drug, or  
11 intoxicating liquor or drink intoxicating liquor while on duty.

12 (c) Not use or consume controlled substances or dangerous  
13 drugs which impair a person's ability to operate a motor vehicle at  
14 any time, or use or consume any other controlled substances or  
15 dangerous drugs at any time except in accordance with a lawfully  
16 issued prescription.

17 (d) Not operate a taxicab without a valid driver's permit issued  
18 pursuant to NRS 706.8841 and a valid driver's license issued  
19 pursuant to NRS 483.325 in the driver's possession.

20 (e) Obey all provisions and restrictions of the certificate of  
21 public convenience and necessity issued to the driver's employer or  
22 the certificate holder with whom the driver contracts.

23 3. If a driver violates any provision of subsection 1 or 2, the  
24 ~~{Administrator}~~ **Chair** may, after a hearing, impose the following  
25 sanctions:

26 (a) For a first offense, 1 to 5 days' suspension of a driver's  
27 permit or a fine of not more than \$100, or both suspension and fine.

28 (b) For a second offense, 6 to 20 days' suspension of a driver's  
29 permit or a fine of not more than \$300, or both suspension and fine.

30 (c) For a third offense, a fine of not more than \$500.

31 ➔ In addition to the other penalties set forth in this subsection, the  
32 ~~{Administrator}~~ **Chair** may revoke a driver's permit for any  
33 violation of a provision of paragraph (b) of subsection 2.

34 4. Only violations occurring in the 12 months immediately  
35 preceding the most current violation may be considered for the  
36 purposes of subsection 3. The ~~{Administrator}~~ **Chair** shall inspect  
37 the driver's record for that period to compute the number of offenses  
38 committed.

39 **Sec. 39.** NRS 706.885 is hereby amended to read as follows:

40 706.885 1. Any person who knowingly makes or causes to be  
41 made, either directly or indirectly, a false statement on an  
42 application, account or other statement required by the ~~{Taxicab}~~  
43 Authority or the ~~{Administrator}~~ **Chair** or who violates any of the  
44 provisions of NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, **and sections 2**  
45 **and 3 of this act**, is guilty of a misdemeanor.



1 2. The ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority or ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* may at  
2 any time, for good cause shown and upon at least 5 days' notice to  
3 the grantee of any certificate or driver's permit, and after a hearing  
4 unless waived by the grantee, penalize the grantee of a certificate to  
5 a maximum amount of \$15,000 or penalize the grantee of a driver's  
6 permit to a maximum amount of \$500 or suspend or revoke the  
7 certificate or driver's permit granted by the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority or  
8 ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair*, respectively, for:

9 (a) Any violation of any provision of NRS 706.881 to 706.885,  
10 inclusive, *and sections 2 and 3 of this act*, or any regulation of the  
11 ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority or ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair*.

12 (b) Knowingly permitting or requiring any employee to violate  
13 any provision of NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, *and sections 2*  
14 *and 3 of this act*, or any regulation of the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority or  
15 ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair*.

16 ➔ If a penalty is imposed on the grantee of a certificate pursuant to  
17 this section, the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority or ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* may  
18 require the grantee to pay the costs of the proceeding, including  
19 investigative costs and attorney's fees.

20 3. When a driver or certificate holder fails to appear at the time  
21 and place stated in the notice for the hearing, the ~~{Administrator}~~  
22 *Chair* shall enter a finding of default. Upon a finding of default, the  
23 ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* may suspend or revoke the license, permit or  
24 certificate of the person who failed to appear and impose the  
25 penalties provided in this chapter. For good cause shown, the  
26 ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* may set aside a finding of default and  
27 proceed with the hearing.

28 4. Any person who operates or permits a taxicab to be operated  
29 in passenger service without a certificate of public convenience and  
30 necessity issued pursuant to NRS 706.8827, is guilty of a gross  
31 misdemeanor. If a law enforcement officer witnesses a violation of  
32 this subsection, the law enforcement officer may cause the vehicle  
33 to be towed immediately from the scene.

34 5. The conviction of a person pursuant to subsection 1 does not  
35 bar the ~~{Taxicab}~~ Authority or ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* from  
36 suspending or revoking any certificate, permit or license of the  
37 person convicted. The imposition of a fine or suspension or  
38 revocation of any certificate, permit or license by the ~~{Taxicab}~~  
39 Authority or ~~{Administrator}~~ *Chair* does not operate as a defense in  
40 any proceeding brought under subsection 1.

41 **Sec. 40.** NRS 232.510 is hereby amended to read as follows:

42 232.510 1. The Department of Business and Industry is  
43 hereby created.

44 2. The Department consists of a Director and the following:

45 (a) Consumer Affairs Division.



- 1 (b) Division of Financial Institutions.
- 2 (c) Housing Division.
- 3 (d) Manufactured Housing Division.
- 4 (e) Real Estate Division.
- 5 (f) Division of Insurance.
- 6 (g) Division of Industrial Relations.
- 7 (h) Office of Labor Commissioner.
- 8 (i) ~~Taxicab Authority.~~
- 9 ~~(j)~~ Nevada Athletic Commission.
- 10 ~~(k)~~ (j) Office of the Nevada Attorney for Injured Workers.
- 11 ~~(l)~~ (k) Nevada Transportation Authority.
- 12 ~~(m)~~ (l) Division of Mortgage Lending.
- 13 ~~(n)~~ (m) Any other office, commission, board, agency or entity
- 14 created or placed within the Department pursuant to a specific
- 15 statute, the budget approved by the Legislature or an executive
- 16 order, or an entity whose budget or activities have been placed
- 17 within the control of the Department by a specific statute.

18 **Sec. 41.** NRS 232.520 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
19 232.520 The Director:

20 1. Shall appoint a chief or executive director, or both of them,  
21 of each of the divisions, offices, commissions, boards, agencies or  
22 other entities of the Department, unless the authority to appoint such  
23 a chief or executive director, or both of them, is expressly vested in  
24 another person, board or commission by a specific statute. In  
25 making the appointments, the Director may obtain lists of qualified  
26 persons from professional organizations, associations or other  
27 groups recognized by the Department, if any. The chief of the  
28 Consumer Affairs Division is the Commissioner of Consumer  
29 Affairs, the chief of the Division of Financial Institutions is the  
30 Commissioner of Financial Institutions, the chief of the Housing  
31 Division is the Administrator of the Housing Division, the chief of  
32 the Manufactured Housing Division is the Administrator of the  
33 Manufactured Housing Division, the chief of the Real Estate  
34 Division is the Real Estate Administrator, the chief of the Division  
35 of Insurance is the Commissioner of Insurance, the chief of the  
36 Division of Industrial Relations is the Administrator of the Division  
37 of Industrial Relations, the chief of the Office of Labor  
38 Commissioner is the Labor Commissioner, ~~the chief of the Taxicab~~  
39 ~~Authority is the Taxicab Administrator,]~~ the chief of the Nevada  
40 Transportation Authority is the Chair of the Authority, the chief of  
41 the Division of Mortgage Lending is the Commissioner of Mortgage  
42 Lending and the chief of any other entity of the Department has the  
43 title specified by the Director, unless a different title is specified by  
44 a specific statute.



1       2. Is responsible for the administration of all provisions of law  
2 relating to the jurisdiction, duties and functions of all divisions and  
3 other entities within the Department. The Director may, if he or she  
4 deems it necessary to carry out his or her administrative  
5 responsibilities, be considered as a member of the staff of any  
6 division or other entity of the Department for the purpose of budget  
7 administration or for carrying out any duty or exercising any power  
8 necessary to fulfill the responsibilities of the Director pursuant to  
9 this subsection. This subsection does not allow the Director to  
10 preempt any authority or jurisdiction granted by statute to any  
11 division or other entity within the Department or to act or take on a  
12 function that would contravene a rule of court or a statute.

13       3. May:

14       (a) Establish uniform policies for the Department, consistent  
15 with the policies and statutory responsibilities and duties of the  
16 divisions and other entities within the Department, relating to  
17 matters concerning budgeting, accounting, planning, program  
18 development, personnel, information services, dispute resolution,  
19 travel, workplace safety, the acceptance of gifts or donations, the  
20 management of records and any other subject for which a uniform  
21 departmental policy is necessary to ensure the efficient operation of  
22 the Department.

23       (b) Provide coordination among the divisions and other entities  
24 within the Department, in a manner which does not encroach upon  
25 their statutory powers and duties, as they adopt and enforce  
26 regulations, execute agreements, purchase goods, services or  
27 equipment, prepare legislative requests and lease or use office space.

28       (c) Define the responsibilities of any person designated to carry  
29 out the duties of the Director relating to financing, industrial  
30 development or business support services.

31       4. May, within the limits of the financial resources made  
32 available to the Director, promote, participate in the operation of,  
33 and create or cause to be created, any nonprofit corporation,  
34 pursuant to chapter 82 of NRS, which he or she determines is  
35 necessary or convenient for the exercise of the powers and duties of  
36 the Department. The purposes, powers and operation of the  
37 corporation must be consistent with the purposes, powers and duties  
38 of the Department.

39       5. For any bonds which the Director is otherwise authorized to  
40 issue, may issue bonds the interest on which is not exempt from  
41 federal income tax or excluded from gross revenue for the purposes  
42 of federal income tax.

43       6. May, except as otherwise provided by specific statute, adopt  
44 by regulation a schedule of fees and deposits to be charged in  
45 connection with the programs administered by the Director pursuant



1 to chapters 348A and 349 of NRS. Except as otherwise provided by  
2 specific statute, the amount of any such fee or deposit must not  
3 exceed 2 percent of the principal amount of the financing.

4 7. May designate any person within the Department to perform  
5 any of the duties or responsibilities, or exercise any of the authority,  
6 of the Director on his or her behalf.

7 8. May negotiate and execute agreements with public or private  
8 entities which are necessary to the exercise of the powers and duties  
9 of the Director or the Department.

10 9. May establish a trust account in the State Treasury for  
11 depositing and accounting for money that is held in escrow or is on  
12 deposit with the Department for the payment of any direct expenses  
13 incurred by the Director in connection with any bond programs  
14 administered by the Director. The interest and income earned on  
15 money in the trust account, less any amount deducted to pay for  
16 applicable charges, must be credited to the trust account. Any  
17 balance remaining in the account at the end of a fiscal year may be:

18 (a) Carried forward to the next fiscal year for use in covering the  
19 expense for which it was originally received; or

20 (b) Returned to any person entitled thereto in accordance with  
21 agreements or regulations of the Director relating to those bond  
22 programs.

23 **Sec. 42.** NRS 289.340 is hereby amended to read as follows:

24 289.340 An employee designated by the ~~†Taxicab~~  
25 ~~Administrator~~ *Chair of the Nevada Transportation Authority* as:

26 1. A taxicab field investigator is a peace officer.

27 2. An airport control officer is a peace officer only when on  
28 duty at the airport.

29 **Sec. 43.** NRS 289.470 is hereby amended to read as follows:

30 289.470 "Category II peace officer" means:

31 1. The bailiffs of the district courts, justice courts and  
32 municipal courts whose duties require them to carry weapons and  
33 make arrests;

34 2. Subject to the provisions of NRS 258.070, constables and  
35 their deputies;

36 3. Inspectors *or field investigators* employed by the Nevada  
37 Transportation Authority who exercise those powers of enforcement  
38 conferred by chapters 706 and 712 of NRS;

39 4. Special investigators who are employed full-time by the  
40 office of any district attorney or the Attorney General;

41 5. Investigators of arson for fire departments who are specially  
42 designated by the appointing authority;

43 6. The brand inspectors of the State Department of Agriculture  
44 who exercise the powers of enforcement conferred by chapter 565  
45 of NRS;



1 7. The field agents and inspectors of the State Department of  
2 Agriculture who exercise the powers of enforcement conferred by  
3 NRS 561.225;

4 8. Investigators for the State Forester Firewarden who are  
5 specially designated by the State Forester Firewarden and whose  
6 primary duties are related to the investigation of arson;

7 9. School police officers employed by the board of trustees of  
8 any county school district;

9 10. Agents of the Nevada Gaming Control Board who exercise  
10 the powers of enforcement specified in NRS 289.360, 463.140 or  
11 463.1405, except those agents whose duties relate primarily to  
12 auditing, accounting, the collection of taxes or license fees, or the  
13 investigation of applicants for licenses;

14 11. Investigators and administrators of the Division of  
15 Compliance Enforcement of the Department of Motor Vehicles who  
16 perform the duties specified in subsection 2 of NRS 481.048;

17 12. Officers and investigators of the Section for the Control of  
18 Emissions From Vehicles and the Enforcement of Matters Related  
19 to the Use of Special Fuel of the Department of Motor Vehicles who  
20 perform the duties specified in subsection 3 of NRS 481.0481;

21 13. Legislative police officers of the State of Nevada;

22 14. Parole counselors of the Division of Child and Family  
23 Services of the Department of Health and Human Services;

24 15. Juvenile probation officers and deputy juvenile probation  
25 officers employed by the various judicial districts in the State of  
26 Nevada or by a department of juvenile justice services established  
27 by ordinance pursuant to NRS 62G.210 whose official duties require  
28 them to enforce court orders on juvenile offenders and make arrests;

29 ~~16. Field investigators of the Taxicab Authority;~~

30 ~~—17.~~ Security officers employed full-time by a city or county  
31 whose official duties require them to carry weapons and make  
32 arrests;

33 ~~18.~~ 17. The chief of a department of alternative sentencing  
34 created pursuant to NRS 211A.080 and the assistant alternative  
35 sentencing officers employed by that department;

36 ~~19.~~ 18. Criminal investigators who are employed by the  
37 Secretary of State; and

38 ~~20.~~ 19. The Inspector General of the Department of  
39 Corrections and any person employed by the Department as a  
40 criminal investigator.

41 **Sec. 44.** NRS 289.480 is hereby amended to read as follows:

42 289.480 “Category III peace officer” means a peace officer  
43 whose authority is limited to correctional services, including the  
44 superintendents and correctional officers of the Department of



1 Corrections. The term does not include a person described in  
2 subsection ~~20~~ 19 of NRS 289.470.

3 **Sec. 45.** NRS 427A.070 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
4 427A.070 1. The Administrator shall:

5 (a) Subject to the approval of the Director, adopt rules and  
6 regulations:

7 (1) Necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter and  
8 chapter 435 of NRS; and

9 (2) Establishing a program to subsidize the transportation by  
10 taxicab of elderly persons and persons with permanent disabilities  
11 from money received pursuant to subsection ~~7~~ 6 of NRS 706.8825;

12 (b) Establish appropriate administrative units within the  
13 Division;

14 (c) Appoint such personnel and prescribe their duties as the  
15 Administrator deems necessary for the proper and efficient  
16 performance of the functions of the Division;

17 (d) Prepare and submit to the Governor, through the Director  
18 before September 1 of each even-numbered year for the biennium  
19 ending June 30 of such year, reports of activities and expenditures  
20 and estimates of sums required to carry out the purposes of this  
21 chapter and chapter 435 of NRS;

22 (e) Make certification for disbursement of funds available for  
23 carrying out the purposes of this chapter and chapter 435 of NRS;  
24 and

25 (f) Take such other action as may be necessary or appropriate  
26 for cooperation with public and private agencies and otherwise to  
27 carry out the purposes of this chapter and chapter 435 of NRS.

28 2. The Administrator may delegate to any officer or employee  
29 of the Division such of the powers and duties of the Administrator  
30 as the Administrator finds necessary to carry out the purposes of this  
31 chapter and chapter 435 of NRS.

32 **Sec. 46.** NRS 694C.360 is hereby amended to read as follows:

33 694C.360 Insurance provided by a captive insurer in  
34 accordance with this chapter may not be used to satisfy  
35 the requirements set forth in chapter 706 of NRS relating to the  
36 insurance required to be maintained by vehicles subject to the  
37 jurisdiction of the Nevada Transportation Authority, ~~for Taxicab~~  
38 ~~Authority;~~ unless the ~~Nevada Transportation~~ Authority ~~for~~  
39 ~~Taxicab Authority, as appropriate;~~ specifically approves the use of  
40 insurance provided by a captive insurer for that purpose.





1       **Sec. 47.** Section 10.5 of the Reno-Tahoe Airport Authority  
2 Act, being chapter 474, Statutes of Nevada 1977, as added by  
3 chapter 494, Statutes of Nevada 1985, at page 1512, is hereby  
4 amended to read as follows:

5           Sec. 10.5. In contracting with persons to furnish  
6 facilities or services for the purposes of this act, the Authority  
7 may award exclusive or limited rights or franchises which  
8 would, absent this grant of Authority, violate state or federal  
9 laws prohibiting antitrust activities. The Authority may grant  
10 exclusive or limited agreements which replace business  
11 competition with regulated anticompetitive services, subject  
12 only to the regulatory authority vested by law in the Public  
13 Utilities Commission of Nevada. ~~for the Taxicab Authority.~~

14       **Sec. 48.** 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the  
15 contrary, the Nevada Transportation Authority created by NRS  
16 706.1511 shall be deemed to be the successor entity of the Taxicab  
17 Authority created by section 9 of chapter 638, Statutes of Nevada  
18 1969, at page 1240.

19       2. Any contract or other agreement entered into by the Taxicab  
20 Authority or an officer of the Taxicab Authority is binding upon the  
21 officer or entity to which the responsibility for the administration of  
22 the contract or other agreement has been transferred. Such a contract  
23 or other agreement may be enforced by the officer or entity to which  
24 the responsibility for the enforcement of the contract or other  
25 agreement has been transferred.

26       3. Any disciplinary or other administrative action taken by the  
27 Taxicab Authority remains in effect as if taken by the officer or  
28 entity to which the responsibility for the enforcement of such action  
29 has been transferred.

30       4. The Administrator of the Taxicab Authority shall close each  
31 account maintained with a financial institution by the Taxicab  
32 Authority pursuant to NRS 706.8825 and pay the closing balance of  
33 the account to the Nevada Transportation Authority created by NRS  
34 706.1511. The assets and liabilities of each such account are  
35 unaffected by the closure and payment. The Nevada Transportation  
36 Authority shall deposit the money so received in the Nevada  
37 Transportation Authority Regulatory Account created pursuant to  
38 NRS 706.1516, as amended by section 6 of this act.

39       **Sec. 49.** The terms of the members of the Taxicab Authority  
40 created by NRS 706.8818 who are incumbent on December 31,  
41 2017, expire on that date.

42       **Sec. 50.** On January 1, 2018, each employee of the Taxicab  
43 Authority created by NRS 706.8818 must be transferred to, and  
44 become an employee of, the Nevada Transportation Authority  
45 created by NRS 706.1511.



1     **Sec. 51.** 1. Notwithstanding the amendatory provisions of  
2 sections 10, 11, 13, 29 and 36 of this act transferring authority to  
3 adopt regulations from the Taxicab Authority created by NRS  
4 708.8818 to the Nevada Transportation Authority created by NRS  
5 706.1511, any regulations adopted by the Taxicab Authority that do  
6 not conflict with the provisions of this act remain in effect and may  
7 be enforced by the Nevada Transportation Authority until the  
8 Nevada Transportation Authority adopts regulations to repeal or  
9 replace those regulations.

10    2. Any regulations adopted by the Taxicab Authority created  
11 by NRS 706.8818 that conflict with the provisions of this act are  
12 void. The Legislative Counsel shall remove those regulations  
13 from the Nevada Administrative Code as soon as practicable after  
14 January 1, 2018.

15     **Sec. 52.** The Legislative Counsel shall, in preparing  
16 supplements to the Nevada Administrative Code, substitute  
17 appropriately the name of any agency, officer or instrumentality of  
18 the State whose name is changed by this act for the name which the  
19 agency, officer or instrumentality previously used.

20     **Sec. 53.** NRS 706.8812, 706.8818 and 706.882 are hereby  
21 repealed.

22     **Sec. 54.** This act becomes effective:

23     1. Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any  
24 regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative  
25 tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and

26     2. On January 1, 2018, for all other purposes.

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## TEXT OF REPEALED SECTIONS

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**706.8812 “Administrator” defined.** “Administrator” means the Taxicab Administrator or any authorized agent of the Taxicab Administrator.

**706.8818 Appointment, number, terms, qualifications and compensation of members; principal office; regulations.**

1. The Taxicab Authority, consisting of five members appointed by the Governor, is hereby created. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 232A.020, the term of each member is 3 years and no member may serve for more than 6 years. No more than three members may be members of the same political party, and no elected officer of the State or any political subdivision is eligible for appointment.



2. Each member of the Taxicab Authority is entitled to receive a salary of not more than \$80, as fixed by the Authority, for each day actually employed on work of the Authority.

3. While engaged in the business of the Taxicab Authority, each member and employee of the Authority is entitled to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally.

4. The Taxicab Authority shall maintain its principal office in the county or area of the State where it performs most of its regulatory activity.

5. The Taxicab Authority may adopt appropriate regulations for the administration and enforcement of NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, and, as it may deem necessary, for the conduct of the taxicab business and for the qualifications of and the issuance of permits to taxicab drivers, not inconsistent with the provisions of NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive. The regulations may include different provisions to allow for differences among the counties to which NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, apply. Local law enforcement agencies and the Nevada Highway Patrol, upon request of the Authority, may assist in enforcing the provisions of NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, and regulations adopted pursuant thereto.

6. Except to the extent of any inconsistency with the provisions of NRS 706.881 to 706.885, inclusive, every regulation and order issued by the Nevada Transportation Authority remains effective in a county to which those sections apply until modified or rescinded by the Taxicab Authority, and must be enforced by the Taxicab Authority.

**706.882 Appointment; classification; removal; restrictions on other employment.**

1. The Director of the Department of Business and Industry shall appoint a Taxicab Administrator from a list of three names submitted to the Director by the Taxicab Authority. The Administrator serves at the pleasure of the Director. The Administrator is in the unclassified service of the State.

2. The Taxicab Authority may remove the Administrator for good cause shown.

3. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 284.143, the Taxicab Administrator shall devote the Administrator's entire time and attention to the business of the Administrator's office and shall not pursue any other business or occupation or hold any other office of profit.



