

SENATE BILL NO. 362—SENATORS NEAL AND FLORES

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to public safety. (BDR 15-289)

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 public safety; requiring a peace officer to ensure that medical aid is rendered to a person who indicates that he or she cannot breathe; requiring each law enforcement agency to adopt certain policies and procedures governing the performance by peace officers of works protected by copyright in certain circumstances; revising provisions governing the establishment of a program for the imprinting of a symbol indicating a medical condition on a driver’s license or identification card; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

1 Existing law prohibits a peace officer from placing a person who is in the  
2 custody of the peace officer in any position which compresses his or her airway or  
3 restricts his or her ability to breathe. Existing law also requires a peace officer to  
4 monitor any person who is in the custody of the peace officer for any signs of  
5 distress and to take any actions necessary to place such a person in a recovery  
6 position if he or she appears to be in distress or indicates that he or she cannot  
7 breathe. (NRS 193.305) **Section 1** of this bill requires a peace officer to ensure that  
8 medical aid is rendered to a person who indicates that he or she cannot breathe by  
9 an emergency medical attendant, physician, physician assistant or registered nurse  
10 as soon as practicable.

11 **Section 2** of this bill requires each law enforcement agency to adopt written  
12 policies and procedures governing the performance of copyrighted works by peace  
13 officers employed by the law enforcement agency while on duty, including policies  
14 prohibiting a peace officer from performing, or causing the performance of, a  
15 copyrighted work for the purpose of preventing or interfering with the  
16 dissemination or sharing of a recording of the peace officer performing his or her  
17 official duties, with certain exceptions. **Section 2** prohibits retaliation or punitive



18 action against a peace officer who discloses information concerning the  
19 performance of a copyrighted work in violation of such policies and procedures.  
20 Existing law authorizes the Department of Motor Vehicles to adopt regulations  
21 establishing a program for the imprinting of a symbol or other indicator of a  
22 medical condition on a driver's license or identification card. (NRS 483.3485,  
23 483.863) **Sections 4 and 6** of this bill authorize the Department to adopt  
24 regulations establishing a program for the imprinting of a symbol, and not any other  
25 indicator, of a medical condition on a driver's license and identification card,  
26 respectively. If the Department establishes such a program, **sections 4 and 6**  
27 additionally require: (1) the Department to adopt a single symbol to represent all  
28 applicable medical conditions; (2) the regulations adopted by the Department to  
29 provide that a person is eligible to have the symbol indicating a medical condition  
30 imprinted on his or her driver's license or identification card if the person is on  
31 anticoagulants or has certain specified medical conditions; (3) the Department to  
32 maintain a record of the medical condition for which the symbol indicating a  
33 medical condition was imprinted on the driver's license or identification card of a  
34 person; and (4) the Department to maintain certain information about the program  
35 on its Internet website. **Sections 3 and 5** of this bill make conforming changes in  
36 existing provisions relating to the issuance or renewal of a driver's license or  
37 identification card for consistency with the revisions made to the program pursuant  
38 to **sections 4 and 6**. **Section 7** of this bill requires the Department to include certain  
39 information regarding the program on the notifications for renewal of registration  
40 issued by the Department for a 12-month period.

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

1 **Section 1.** NRS 193.305 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
2 193.305 1. In carrying out his or her duties, a peace officer  
3 shall not use a choke hold on another person.  
4 2. A peace officer shall not place a person who is in the  
5 custody of the peace officer in any position which compresses his or  
6 her airway or restricts his or her ability to breathe. A peace officer  
7 shall monitor any person who is in the custody of the peace officer  
8 for any signs of distress and shall take any actions necessary to  
9 place such a person in a recovery position if he or she appears to be  
10 in distress or indicates that he or she cannot breathe.  
11 3. *If a person who is in the custody of a peace officer*  
12 *indicates that he or she cannot breathe, the peace officer shall*  
13 *ensure that medical aid is rendered to the person by an emergency*  
14 *medical attendant, physician, physician assistant or registered*  
15 *nurse as soon as practicable.*  
16 4. If a peace officer, in carrying out his or her duties, uses  
17 physical force on another person, the peace officer shall ensure that  
18 medical aid is rendered to any person who is injured by the use of  
19 such physical force as soon as practicable.  
20 ~~[4.]~~ 5. As used in this section ~~[, "choke"]~~ :  
21 (a) "Choke hold" means:



1 ~~(a)~~ (1) A method by which a person applies sufficient pressure  
2 to another person to make breathing difficult or impossible,  
3 including, without limitation, any pressure to the neck, throat or  
4 windpipe that may prevent or hinder breathing or reduce intake of  
5 air; or

6 ~~(b)~~ (2) Applying pressure to a person's neck on either side of  
7 the windpipe, but not the windpipe itself, to stop the flow of blood  
8 to the brain via the carotid arteries.

9 (b) *"Emergency medical attendant" means a person licensed*  
10 *as an attendant or certified as an emergency medical technician,*  
11 *advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic pursuant to*  
12 *chapter 450B of NRS.*

13 **Sec. 2.** Chapter 289 of NRS is hereby amended by adding  
14 thereto a new section to read as follows:

15 1. *Each law enforcement agency shall adopt written policies*  
16 *and procedures governing the performance by peace officers*  
17 *employed by the law enforcement agency of copyrighted works*  
18 *while on duty. Such policies and procedures must:*

19 (a) *Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b), prohibit a*  
20 *peace officer from performing, or causing the performance of, a*  
21 *copyrighted work for the purpose of preventing or interfering with*  
22 *the dissemination or sharing of a recording of the peace officer*  
23 *performing his or her official duties, including, without limitation,*  
24 *the dissemination or sharing of a recording through an Internet*  
25 *website; and*

26 (b) *Authorize a peace officer to perform, or cause the*  
27 *performance of, a copyrighted work:*

28 (1) *While engaged in an undercover investigation;*

29 (2) *When the peace officer is not publicly performing*  
30 *official duties; or*

31 (3) *As necessary to ensure the safety of the peace officer at*  
32 *the time the copyrighted work is performed.*

33 2. *No retaliatory or punitive action may be taken against a*  
34 *peace officer who discloses information concerning the*  
35 *performance of a copyrighted work in violation of the policies and*  
36 *procedures of a law enforcement agency adopted pursuant to*  
37 *subsection 1.*

38 3. *As used in this section:*

39 (a) *"Copyrighted work" means any work protected under Title*  
40 *17 of the United States Code.*

41 (b) *"Perform" has the meaning ascribed to it in 17 U.S.C. §*  
42 *101.*



**Sec. 3.** NRS 483.340 is hereby amended to read as follows:

1 483.340 1. The Department shall, upon payment of the  
2 required fee, issue to every qualified applicant a driver's license  
3 indicating the type or class of vehicles the licensee may drive.

4 2. The Department shall adopt regulations prescribing the  
5 information that must be contained on a driver's license.

6 3. The Department may issue a driver's license for purposes of  
7 identification only for use by officers of local police and sheriffs'  
8 departments, agents of the Investigation Division of the Department  
9 of Public Safety while engaged in special undercover investigations  
10 relating to narcotics or prostitution or for other undercover  
11 investigations requiring the establishment of a fictitious identity,  
12 federal agents while engaged in undercover investigations,  
13 investigators employed by the Attorney General while engaged in  
14 undercover investigations, criminal investigators employed by the  
15 Secretary of State while engaged in undercover investigations and  
16 agents of the Nevada Gaming Control Board while engaged in  
17 investigations pursuant to NRS 463.140. An application for such a  
18 license must be made through the head of the police or sheriff's  
19 department, the Chief of the Investigation Division of the  
20 Department of Public Safety, the director of the appropriate federal  
21 agency, the Attorney General, the Secretary of State or his or her  
22 designee or the Chair of the Nevada Gaming Control Board. Such a  
23 license is exempt from the fees required by NRS 483.410. The  
24 Department, by regulation, shall provide for the cancellation of any  
25 such driver's license upon the completion of the special  
26 investigation for which it was issued.

27 4. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 239.0115, information  
28 pertaining to the issuance of a driver's license pursuant to  
29 subsection 3 is confidential.

30 5. It is a misdemeanor for any person to use a driver's license  
31 issued pursuant to subsection 3 for any purpose other than the  
32 special investigation for which it was issued.

33 6. At the time of the issuance or renewal of the driver's license,  
34 the Department shall:

35 (a) Give the holder the opportunity to have indicated on his or  
36 her driver's license that the holder wishes to be a donor of all or part  
37 of his or her body pursuant to NRS 451.500 to 451.598, inclusive, or  
38 to refuse to make an anatomical gift of his or her body or part  
39 thereof.

40 (b) Give the holder the opportunity to have indicated whether he  
41 or she wishes to donate \$1 or more to the Anatomical Gift Account  
42 created by NRS 460.150.

43 (c) Provide to each holder who is interested in becoming a donor  
44 information relating to anatomical gifts, including the procedure for  
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1 registering as a donor with the donor registry with which the  
2 Department has entered into a contract pursuant to this paragraph.  
3 To carry out this paragraph, the Department shall, on such terms as  
4 it deems appropriate, enter into a contract with a donor registry that  
5 is in compliance with the provisions of NRS 451.500 to 451.598,  
6 inclusive.

7 (d) If the Department has established a program for imprinting a  
8 symbol ~~for other indicator of~~ *indicating* a medical condition on a  
9 driver's license pursuant to NRS 483.3485, give the holder the  
10 opportunity to have a symbol ~~for other indicator of~~ *indicating*  
11 a medical condition imprinted on his or her driver's license.

12 (e) Provide to the holder information instructing the holder how  
13 to register with the Next-of-Kin Registry pursuant to NRS 483.653  
14 if he or she so chooses.

15 7. If the holder wishes to make a donation to the Anatomical  
16 Gift Account, the Department shall collect the donation and deposit  
17 the money collected in the State Treasury for credit to the  
18 Anatomical Gift Account.

19 8. The Department shall submit to the donor registry with  
20 which the Department has entered into a contract pursuant to  
21 paragraph (c) of subsection 6 information from the records of the  
22 Department relating to persons who have drivers' licenses that  
23 indicate the intention of those persons to make an anatomical gift.  
24 The Department shall adopt regulations to carry out the provisions  
25 of this subsection.

26 **Sec. 4.** NRS 483.3485 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
27 483.3485 1. The Department may adopt regulations  
28 establishing a program for the imprinting of a symbol ~~for other~~  
29 ~~indicator of~~ *indicating* a medical condition on a driver's license  
30 issued by the Department.

31 2. ~~Regulations adopted pursuant to subsection 1 must require~~  
32 ~~the symbol or other indicator of a medical condition which is~~  
33 ~~imprinted on a driver's license to~~ *If the Department establishes a*  
34 *program pursuant to subsection 1:*

35 (a) *Except as otherwise provided in this title, the Department*  
36 *shall adopt a single symbol for imprinting on a driver's license to*  
37 *indicate a medical condition and shall not adopt individualized*  
38 *symbols for different medical conditions.*

39 (b) *The regulations adopted by the Department must provide*  
40 *that a person is eligible to have the symbol indicating a medical*  
41 *condition imprinted on his or her driver's license if the person is:*

- 42 (1) *On anticoagulants; or*  
43 (2) *A person with:*  
44 (I) *Diabetes;*  
45 (II) *Epilepsy;*



- 1           (III) *Blindness and low vision;*
- 2           (IV) *Deafness;*
- 3           (V) *Coronary atherosclerosis;*
- 4           (VI) *Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease;*
- 5           (VII) *A food allergy;*
- 6           (VIII) *Malignant hyperthermia;*
- 7           (IX) *Sickle cell disease;*
- 8           (X) *Systemic lupus erythematosus;*
- 9           (XI) *Heart disease;*
- 10          (XII) *Hemophilia;*
- 11          (XIII) *Schizophrenia;*
- 12          (XIV) *Depression; or*
- 13          (XV) *A mental illness.*

14           (c) *The Department shall maintain a record of the medical*  
15 *condition for which the symbol indicating a medical condition was*  
16 *imprinted on the driver's license of an eligible person. The record*  
17 *must be maintained in the same location and manner as all other*  
18 *records relating to the driver's license of the person, including,*  
19 *without limitation, the records relating to the driver's license of*  
20 *the person that are made available to law enforcement agencies.*  
21 *If the Department maintains such information in the form of a*  
22 *code, the code used must conform with the International*  
23 *Classification of Diseases, Ninth Revision, Clinical Modification, or*  
24 *the most current revision, adopted by the National Center for Health*  
25 *Statistics and the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.*

26           (d) *The Department shall maintain on the Internet website of*  
27 *the Department information about the program established*  
28 *pursuant to subsection 1, including, without limitation, the*  
29 *manner in which a person may obtain a driver's license which has*  
30 *been imprinted with a symbol indicating a medical condition.*

31           3. The Department may apply for and accept any gift, grant,  
32 appropriation or other donation to assist in carrying out a program  
33 established pursuant to the provisions of this section.

34           **Sec. 5.** NRS 483.840 is hereby amended to read as follows:

35           483.840 1. The form of the identification cards must be  
36 similar to that of drivers' licenses but distinguishable in color or  
37 otherwise.

38           2. Identification cards do not authorize the operation of any  
39 motor vehicles.

40           3. The Department shall adopt regulations prescribing the  
41 information that must be contained on an identification card.

42           4. At the time of the issuance or renewal of the identification  
43 card, the Department shall:

44           (a) Give the holder the opportunity to have indicated on his or  
45 her identification card that the holder wishes to be a donor of all or



1 part of his or her body pursuant to NRS 451.500 to 451.598,  
2 inclusive, or to refuse to make an anatomical gift of his or her body  
3 or part thereof.

4 (b) Give the holder the opportunity to indicate whether he or she  
5 wishes to donate \$1 or more to the Anatomical Gift Account created  
6 by NRS 460.150.

7 (c) Provide to each holder who is interested in becoming a donor  
8 information relating to anatomical gifts, including the procedure for  
9 registering as a donor with the donor registry with which the  
10 Department has entered into a contract pursuant to this paragraph.  
11 To carry out this paragraph, the Department shall, on such terms as  
12 it deems appropriate, enter into a contract with a donor registry that  
13 is in compliance with the provisions of NRS 451.500 to 451.598,  
14 inclusive.

15 (d) If the Department has established a program for imprinting a  
16 symbol or other indicator of a medical condition on an identification  
17 card pursuant to NRS 483.863, give the holder the opportunity to  
18 have a symbol ~~for other indicator of~~ *indicating* a medical condition  
19 imprinted on his or her identification card.

20 (e) Provide to the holder information instructing the holder how  
21 to register with the Next-of-Kin Registry pursuant to NRS 483.653  
22 if he or she so chooses.

23 5. If the holder wishes to make a donation to the Anatomical  
24 Gift Account, the Department shall collect the donation and deposit  
25 the money collected in the State Treasury for credit to the  
26 Anatomical Gift Account.

27 6. The Department shall submit to the donor registry with  
28 which the Department has entered into a contract pursuant to  
29 paragraph (c) of subsection 4 information from the records of the  
30 Department relating to persons who have identification cards issued  
31 by the Department that indicate the intention of those persons to  
32 make an anatomical gift. The Department shall adopt regulations to  
33 carry out the provisions of this subsection.

34 **Sec. 6.** NRS 483.863 is hereby amended to read as follows:

35 483.863 1. The Department may adopt regulations  
36 establishing a program for the imprinting of a symbol ~~for other~~  
37 ~~indicator of~~ *indicating* a medical condition on an identification card  
38 issued by the Department.

39 2. ~~[Regulations adopted pursuant to subsection 1 must require~~  
40 ~~the symbol or other indicator of a medical condition which is~~  
41 ~~imprinted on an identification card to]~~ *If the Department*  
42 *establishes a program pursuant to subsection 1:*

43 (a) *Except as otherwise provided in this title, the Department*  
44 *shall adopt a single symbol for imprinting on an identification*



1 *card to indicate a medical condition and shall not adopt*  
2 *individualized symbols for different medical conditions.*

3 *(b) The regulations adopted by the Department must provide*  
4 *that a person is eligible to have the symbol indicating a medical*  
5 *condition imprinted on his or her identification card if the person*  
6 *is:*

7 *(1) On anticoagulants; or*

8 *(2) A person with:*

9 *(I) Diabetes;*

10 *(II) Epilepsy;*

11 *(III) Blindness and low vision;*

12 *(IV) Deafness;*

13 *(V) Coronary atherosclerosis;*

14 *(VI) Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease;*

15 *(VII) A food allergy;*

16 *(VIII) Malignant hyperthermia;*

17 *(IX) Sickle cell disease;*

18 *(X) Systemic lupus erythematosus;*

19 *(XI) Heart disease;*

20 *(XII) Hemophilia;*

21 *(XIII) Schizophrenia;*

22 *(XIV) Depression; or*

23 *(XV) A mental illness.*

24 *(c) The Department shall maintain a record of the medical*  
25 *condition for which the symbol indicating a medical condition was*  
26 *imprinted on the identification card of an eligible person. The*  
27 *record must be maintained in the same location and manner as all*  
28 *other records relating to the identification card of the person,*  
29 *including, without limitation, the records relating to the*  
30 *identification card of the person that are available to law*  
31 *enforcement agencies. If the Department maintains such*  
32 *information in the form of a code, the code used must conform*  
33 *with the International Classification of Diseases, Ninth Revision,*  
34 *Clinical Modification, or the most current revision, adopted by the*  
35 *National Center for Health Statistics and the Centers for Medicare*  
36 *and Medicaid Services.*

37 *(d) The Department shall, at the time of the issuance or*  
38 *renewal of an identification card, give the holder the opportunity*  
39 *to have imprinted on his or her identification card a symbol*  
40 *indicating a medical condition.*

41 *(e) The Department shall maintain on the Internet website of*  
42 *the Department information about the program established*  
43 *pursuant to subsection 1, including, without limitation, the*  
44 *manner in which a person may obtain an identification card*





1 *which has been imprinted with a symbol indicating a medical*  
2 *condition.*

3 3. The Department may apply for and accept any gift, grant,  
4 appropriation or other donation to assist in carrying out a program  
5 established pursuant to the provisions of this section.

6 **Sec. 7.** If the Department of Motor Vehicles adopts a program  
7 for the imprinting of a symbol indicating a medical condition on a  
8 driver's license or identification card issued by the Department  
9 pursuant to NRS 483.3485, as amended by section 4 of this act, or  
10 483.863, as amended by section 6 of this act, respectively, the  
11 Department shall, 30 days after the date on which the Department  
12 first accepts an application for the imprinting of a symbol indicating  
13 a medical condition pursuant to NRS 483.3485, as amended by  
14 section 4 of this act, or 483.863, as amended by section 6 of this act,  
15 and any regulations adopted pursuant thereto, and for 12 calendar  
16 months thereafter, print on each notification for renewal of  
17 registration mailed by the Department pursuant to NRS 482.280,  
18 and on any electronic notification for renewal of registration issued  
19 by the Department:

20 1. A statement notifying the public that an eligible person may  
21 have imprinted on his or her driver's license or identification card a  
22 symbol indicating a medical condition.

23 2. The address of the Internet website of the Department where  
24 interested persons may obtain more information about the program  
25 established pursuant to NRS 483.3485, as amended by section 4 of  
26 this act, or 483.863, as amended by section 6 of this act.

27 **Sec. 8.** 1. This section becomes effective upon passage and  
28 approval.

29 2. Sections 1 and 2 of this act become effective on October 1,  
30 2023.

31 3. Sections 3 to 7, inclusive, of this act become effective:

32 (a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any  
33 regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative  
34 tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and

35 (b) January 1, 2024, for all other purposes.

