

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9–  
ASSEMBLYMAN YEAGER

MARCH 27, 2017

Referred to Committee on Legislative Operations and Elections

SUMMARY—Directs the Legislative Commission to conduct an interim study concerning treating certain traffic and related violations as civil infractions. (BDR R-1064)

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

ASSEMBLY CONCURRENT RESOLUTION—Directing the Legislative Commission to appoint a committee to conduct an interim study concerning the advisability and feasibility of treating certain traffic and related violations as civil infractions.

1 WHEREAS, Under existing law, violations of traffic laws and  
2 laws relating to drivers' licenses and to the registration of and  
3 insurance for motor vehicles are treated as criminal offenses; and

4 WHEREAS, As a result, residents of this State and visitors may  
5 find themselves entangled in the criminal justice system for  
6 relatively minor misconduct; and

7 WHEREAS, Other states treat violations of their traffic and  
8 related laws as civil infractions; and

9 WHEREAS, Among the purposes for which the Legislature  
10 establishes traffic laws is to minimize the differences between the  
11 traffic laws of this State and those of other states; now, therefore, be  
12 it

13 RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE  
14 SENATE CONCURRING, That the Legislative Commission is hereby  
15 directed to appoint a committee composed of three members of the  
16 Assembly and three members of the Senate, one of whom must be  
17 appointed by the Legislative Commission as Chair of the committee,  
18 to conduct an interim study concerning the advisability and  
19 feasibility of treating certain criminal violations of traffic laws  
20 and laws relating to drivers' licenses and to the registration of and  
21 insurance for motor vehicles as civil infractions; and be it further



1 RESOLVED, That in performing the study, the Committee shall  
2 consider issues relating to:

3 1. The existing laws of this State concerning the violation of  
4 traffic laws and laws relating to drivers' licenses and to the  
5 registration of and insurance for motor vehicles, and the treatment of  
6 violations of such laws as criminal offenses;

7 2. The related laws of other states concerning violations of  
8 such laws and their treatment of violations of such laws as criminal  
9 offenses or civil infractions;

10 3. The appropriate and necessary elements of a system to treat  
11 violations of such laws as civil infractions in this State, including,  
12 without limitation, computer systems, court procedures, training and  
13 staffing; and

14 4. The anticipated fiscal effects of a system to treat violations  
15 of such laws as civil infractions in this State, including, without  
16 limitation, the effects on this State and its political subdivisions; and  
17 be it further

18 RESOLVED, That any recommended legislation proposed by the  
19 committee must be approved by a majority of the members of the  
20 Assembly and a majority of the members of the Senate appointed to  
21 the committee; and be it further

22 RESOLVED, That the Legislative Commission submit a report of  
23 the results of the study and any recommended legislation to the  
24 Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the  
25 80th Session of the Nevada Legislature; and be it further

26 RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and  
27 transmit a copy of this resolution to the Governor, the Director of  
28 the Department of Public Safety, the Director of the Department of  
29 Motor Vehicles and the Director of the Administrative Office of the  
30 Courts.

