

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 to conduct an interim study  
16 concerning the advisability and feasibility of treating certain  
17 criminal violations of traffic laws and laws relating to drivers'  
18 licenses and to the registration of and insurance for motor vehicles  
19 as civil infractions; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That the committee must be composed of six  
21 Legislators as follows:



1 1. Three members of the Assembly, at least one of whom  
2 represents a district no part of which is in Clark County; and

3 2. Three members of the Senate, at least one of whom  
4 represents a district no part of which is in Clark County; and be if  
5 further

6 RESOLVED, Of the members appointed to the committee who  
7 represent a district no part of which is in Clark County, at least one  
8 member must represent a district no part of which is in Clark  
9 County or Washoe County; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That the Legislative Commission shall designate  
11 one of the members appointed to the committee to serve as the chair  
12 of the committee; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That in performing the study, the committee shall  
14 consider issues relating to:

15 1. The existing laws of this State concerning the violation of  
16 traffic laws and laws relating to drivers' licenses and to the  
17 registration of and insurance for motor vehicles, and the treatment of  
18 violations of such laws as criminal offenses;

19 2. The related laws of other states concerning violations of  
20 such laws and their treatment of violations of such laws as criminal  
21 offenses or civil infractions;

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

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

30 RESOLVED, That any recommended legislation proposed by the  
31 committee must be approved by a majority of the members of the  
32 Assembly and a majority of the members of the Senate appointed to  
33 the committee; and be it further

34 RESOLVED, That the Legislative Commission submit a report of  
35 the results of the study and any recommended legislation to the  
36 Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the  
37 80th Session of the Nevada Legislature; and be it further

38 RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly prepare and  
39 transmit a copy of this resolution to the Governor, the Director of  
40 the Department of Public Safety, the Director of the Department of  
41 Motor Vehicles and the Director of the Administrative Office of the  
42 Courts.

