SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING

Tuesday, February 20, 1973

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 o'clock p.m. in Room #345.

Senator Helen Herr was in the Chair.

PRESENT:

Senator Helen Herr Senator Joe Neal Senator Archie Pozzi Senator Carl Dodge

Senator Richard Blakemore Senator Warren Monroe Senator William Raggio

ALSO PRESENT WERE:

Dick Desmond

KTVN - TV News Reno

Press

Joe Jackson

Kevin C. Efroymson James S. Lorigan

Las Vegas Attorney at law Farmer's Insurance, Reno

Virgil P. Anderson

AAA, Nevada Division

Nellie Land

NRTA/AARP Joint Legislative Committee

Grant Bastian Donald Crosley Wally Roanhaus

Nevada Highway Department Nevada Highway Department Division for the Aged

Patricia Van Bettin Consumers League of Nevada - Las Vegas

THE FOLLOWING WERE IN ATTENDANCE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF

MOTOR VEHICLES:

Howard Hill Hale Bennett E, J. Silva Freddie Little James Lambert

Leonard Winkelman William Fitzpatrick

John Ciardella Jack Williams Richard Bortolin

ACTION WAS TAKEN ON THE FOLLOWING BILLS:

AB #39*

Grant Bastian testified regarding the Highway Department's interest as to finanances from the Highway fund being used to implement this bill.

After many questions and much discussion Senator Monroe suggested that because there were so many proposed amendments to the bill, that it be redrafted and resubmitted to the committee for action. This was agreed upon by the committee.

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S.B. #226*

Testimony was given by Mr. Efroymson of Las Vegas and Wally Roanhaus of the Division of the Aged in favor of this bill.

After much discussion and comparison with S.B. #78, Senator Raggio made a motion that the two bills be consolidated and redrafted for committee action. Senator Blakemore seconded the motion. Motion carried.

A.B. #95*

After hearing testimony from John Ciardella regarding this bill the following action was taken:

Senator Raggio moved "Do Pass." Seconded by Senator Dodge. Motion carried.

S.B. #258*

Testimony was given by Grant Bastian of the Highway Department on the purpose of this bill. (See attachment #6)

Senator Raggio made a motion that in subsection 3, the effective date of this measure be set for October 1, 1973. Senator Dodge seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Senator Neal moved "Do pass with amendment." Seconded by Senator Dodge. Motion carried.

S. B. #159*

Testimony was given by James Lorigan, Virgil Anderson and James Lambert. After much discussion, the following action was taken:

Senator Blakemore moved "Do Pass." Seconded by Senator Monroe. Motion carried. Senator Raggio voted no.

Meeting was then adjourned at 2:00 o'clock p.m. until Thursday, February 22, 1973 on afternoon adjournment of the Senate.

APPROVED:

Senator Helen Herr, Chairman

Respectfully submitted,

Molly Torvik, Secretary

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ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 39-COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

JANUARY 17, 1973

Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Enables issuance of instant drivers' licenses and increases license fee. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 43-23)



Explanation—Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets [] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; enabling the issuance of instant drivers' licenses by the department of motor vehicles; increasing driver's license fee; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. NRS 483.347 is hereby amended to read as follows: 483.347 1. The department may, upon being satisfied that it is feasible, produce [a] an instant driver's license: [, bearing] (a) Bearing a colored photograph of the licensee [.]; and

(b) Which may be obtained immediately by any applicant upon quali-

2. If a changeover to this style of license is feasible, it shall not become effective until the department has:

(a) Established a uniform procedure for the production of such licenses, applicable to renewal as well as to original licenses.

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(b) Determined the costs of such production.(c) Adjusted the fees provided in NRS 483.410, up to a maximum of [50 cents,] \$1, if such adjustment is essential to recover additional costs which may be incurred in any such changeover and to that extent

only.

3. If the department finds that implementation is not feasible before resolved the resolved session of the Nevada legislature, the the convening of the [57th] 58th session of the Nevada legislature, the department shall report in detail its findings to the [57th] 58th session of the legislature.

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SENATE BILL NO. 226—SENATOR POZZI

FEBRUARY 13, 1973

Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Entitles senior citizens without drivers' licenses to receive official identification cards. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 38-517)



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

AN ACT entitling every senior citizen without a driver's license to obtain an identification card; providing for preparation and issuance of the cards by the department of motor vehicles with the cooperation of the aging services division of the department of health, welfare and rehabilitation; providing penalties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 427A of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 11, inclusive, of this act. Sec. 2. The legislature finds and declares that:

1. A need exists in this state for the creation of a system of identification for senior citizens who do not hold a driver's license.

2. These citizens should be provided a convenient means to identify themselves, as well as their spouses, so that they may take full advantage of various public and private services, privileges, discounts and other benefits for which appropriate identification is required.

3. To serve this purpose, official identification cards should be prepared for issuance to those senior citizens and their spouses who wish to apply for them. The cards should be designed in such form, and distributed pursuant to such controls, that they will merit the general acceptability of drivers' licenses for personal identification.

Sec. 3. As used in this act:

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1. "Identification card" means a card issued in accordance with this act to provide senior citizens and their spouses a convenient means of personal identification.

2. "Senior citizen" means a person who is 60 years of age or older and a resident of this state at the time he applies for an identification card.

SEC. 4. 1. Every senior citizen who does not hold a Nevada driver's license and makes an application as provided in this act is entitled to receive an identification card.

2. A senior citizen's spouse, regardless of age, is also entitled to receive an identification card if the spouse is a resident of this state and does not hold a Nevada driver's license.

3. No charge may be made to an applicant for an identification card, except that 50 cents may be charged if the identification card carries the

applicant's photograph.

SEC. 5. With the advice and cooperation of the chief of the aging services division of the department of health, welfare and rehabilitation, the director of the department of motor vehicles shall:

1. Prepare suitable identification cards.

2. Prepare and furnish application forms for such cards.

3. Receive applications, grant or deny them and maintain files of applications.

4. Issue identification cards, recall and cancel cards when necessary, and maintain records adequate to preserve the integrity of the identification card system.

5. Adopt and promulgate such regulations as are necessary to effec-

tuate the purposes of this act.

SEC. 6. 1. The form of the identification cards shall be similar to that of drivers' licenses but distinguishable in color or otherwise.

- 2. Identification cards shall not authorize the operation of any motor vehicle.
- 3. Identification cards shall include the following information concerning the holder:

(a) Name and sample signature of holder.

(b) Social security number or serial number of holder's card.

(c) Personal description or photograph.

(d) Date of birth.

(e) Current address.

SEC. 7. 1. Every application for an identification card shall be made upon a form provided by the department of motor vehicles and shall include:

(a) The applicant's full name.

(b) His social security number, if any.

(c) His date of birth.

(d) His state of legal residence.

(e) His current address.

(f) A statement that he does not possess a valid Nevada driver's license.

2. An applicant filing as the spouse of a senior citizen shall also include a declaration of present marriage to the senior citizen and the place and date of the marriage.

3. When the form is completed, the applicant shall sign the form and verify the contents before a person authorized to administer oaths,

SEC. 8. Every applicant for an identification card shall furnish proof of his age by presenting a birth certificate, baptismal certificate or other proof acceptable to the department of motor vehicles and shall provide such other corroboration of the matters stated in his application as are required of applicants for a driver's license.

SEC. 9. 1. An identification card, once issued, remains valid so long

as the facts and circumstances declared in the application and stated in the card do not change.

2. The holder of an identification card shall promptly report any

change in such information to the department of motor vehicles.

3. Any change occurring in the holder's address or name (as the result of marriage or otherwise) or any loss of an identification card shall be reported within 10 days of the occurrence to the department of motor vehicles.

SEC. 10. 1. Upon furnishing information that his identification card is lost or destroyed and paying the prescribed fee, the person to whom the

original was issued may obtain a duplicate.

2. If the original of a duplicated card is subsequently recovered or a lost card is found, the person having possession shall return it immediately to the department of motor vehicles.

SEC. 11. A person who commits any of the following acts is

of a misdemeanor:

1. Forges or alters an identification card or knowingly possesses an altered or forged identification card.

2. Refuses to surrender an identification card for cancellation when

so directed by the department of motor vehicles.

3. Lends his identification card to another person for the other's use,

or uses a card issued to another person.

4. Willfully fails to surrender to the department of motor vehicles within 10 days another's identification card coming into his possession or to return it to the proper holder.

5. Willfully fails to report to the department of motor vehicles within 10 days a change in the name or address stated on his identifica-

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6. Willfully fails to surrender his identification card to the department of motor vehicles when he transfers his legal residence to another state.

SENATE BILL NO. 78—COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

JANUARY 23, 1973

Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Permits issuance of identification cards to certain persons who do not have a driver's license, Fiscal Note: Yes. (BDR 43-61)



EXPLANATION—Matter in *italies* is new; matter in brackets [] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT permitting issuance of identification cards by the department of motor vehicles to any person of a certain age who does not have a valid Nevada driver's license; providing for the payment of fees; providing penalties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 483 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 12, inclusive, of this act. Sec. 2. Any person 18 years of age or older who does not have a valid Nevada driver's license may be issued an identification card by the department certified by the registrant and attested by the department as to true name, correct age, and other identifying data as the department may require. Every application for an identification card shall be signed and verified by the applicant before a person authorized to administer

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22 23 SEC. 3. The department shall issue an identification card only to a person who does not have a valid Nevada driver's license, and only upon the furnishing of such bona fide documentary evidence of the age and

identity of such person as the department may require.

SEC. 4. Every identification card shall expire, unless canceled earlier, on the sixth birthday of the applicant following the date of original issue. Renewal of any identification card shall be made for a term which shall expire on the sixth birthday of the applicant following expiration of the identification card renewed, unless surrendered earlier. Any application for renewal received after 90 days after expiration of the identification card shall be considered the same as an application for an original identification card. The department shall, at the end of 6 years and 6 months after the issuance or renewal of an identification card, destroy any record of the card if it has expired and has not been renewed.

SEC. 5. If an identification card issued under sections 2 to 12, inclusive, of this act, is lost, destroyed, mutilated, or a new name is acquired,

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the person to whom it was issued shall obtain a duplicate upon furnishing satisfactory proof of such fact to the department. Any person who loses an identification card and who, after obtaining a duplicate, finds the original card shall immediately surrender the original card to the department. The same documentary evidence shall be furnished for a duplicate as for an original identification card.

SEC. 6. The identification card shall resemble in appearance, so far as is practicable, a driver's license issued pursuant to this chapter. It shall adequately describe the registrant and bear the following: "State of Nevada"—"Identification Card No......"—"This card is provided solely for the purpose of establishing that the bearer described on the card was not the holder of a Nevada driver's license as of the date of issuance of this card." The identification number shall be identical to the social 14 security number of the applicant, If the applicant does not have a social scurity number, the department shall assign a number. The identification ard shall be sealed in transparent plastic or similar substance.

SEC. 7. If a driver's license issued by the department under this chapter contains a photograph of the licensee, the identification card issued under sections 2 to 12, inclusive, of this act, shall contain a photograph of

the applicant.

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SEC. 8. No public entity shall be liable for any loss or injury resulting directly or indirectly from felse or inaccurate information contained in identification cards provided for in sections 2 to 12, inclusive, of this act.

- SEC. 9. Whenever any person after applying for or receiving an identification card acquires an address different from the address shown on the identification card issued to him, he shall within 10 days thereafter notify the department in writing of his old and new address. The department may thereupon take such action as necessary to insure that the identification card reflects the proper address of the identification cardholder.
- SEC. 10. Upon an application for an identification card, or a duplicate identification card, there shall be paid to the department a fee set by the director of the department, which fee shall be deposited in the state bizhway fund.
- SEC. 11. When used in reference to an identification card, "cancellation" means that an identification card is terminated without prejudice and must be surrendered. Cancellation of a card may be made when a card has been issued through error or when voluntarily surrendered to the department.

SEC. 12. It is unlawful for any person to:

- 1. Display or cause or permit to be displayed or have in his possession any canceled, fictitious, fraudulently altered, or fraudulently obtained identification card.
- 2. Lend his identification card to any other person or knowingly permit the use thereof by another.
- 3. Display or represent any identification card not issued to him as being his card.
 - 4. Permit any unlawful use of an identification card issued to him.
- 5. Do any act forbidden or fail to perform any act required by sections 2 to 12, inclusive, of this act.

6. Photograph, photostat, duplicate, or in any way reproduce axy identification card or jacsimile thereof in such a manner that it could be mistaken for a valid identification card, or to display or have in his possession any such photograph, photostat, duplicate, reproduction, or facsimile unless authorized by sections 2 to 12, inclusive, of this act.

7. Alter any identification card in any manner not authorized by sec-

tions 2 to 12, inclusive, of this act.

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 95—COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

January 24, 1973

Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Deletes provisions for a temporary certificate of registration for a vehicle. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 43-106)



Explanation—Matter in italics is new; matter in brackets [] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT repealing the provisions allowing the department of motor vehicles to issue temporary certificates of registration; clarifying which fees are to be collected upon registration of a vehicle; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. NRS 482.260 is hereby amended to read as follows: 482.260 1. The department and its agents in registering a vehicle shall:

(a) Collect the [annual license fee] license plate fees and registration fees as provided for in this chapter.

(b) Collect, as agent for the county in which the applicant resides, the privilege tax on the vehicle.

(c) Issue I to the applicant a temporary certificate of registration valid 15 days only and not renewable, or a certificate of registration, together with the regular license plate or plates.

2. Upon proof of ownership satisfactory to the director, he shall cause to be issued a certificate of ownership as provided in this chapter.

3. Every vehicle referred to in subsection 1 of NRS 482.206 being registered for the first time in Nevada shall be taxed for privilege tax purposes for a 12-month period. Every vehicle referred to in subsection 3 of NRS 482.206 being registered for the first time in Nevada shall be taxed for privilege tax purposes pro rata on a monthly basis upon the amount of time remaining in the current registration year.

Sec. 2. NRS 482.340 is hereby repealed.

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SENATE BILL NO. 258—SENATOR HERR

FEBRUARY 16, 1973

Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Restricts use of studded tires. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 43-994)



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

AN ACT relating to motor vehicle equipment; restricting the use of studded tires.

The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 484 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section which shall read as follows:

1. Except as provided in subsection 2, a person shall not operate any motor vehicle equipped with tires which have on the periphery any block, flange, cleat, ridge, bead, or any other proturberance of metal or wood which projects beyond the tread of the traction surface of the tire.

This section does not prohibit:

(a) Tire chains;

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(b) Pneumatic tires which have embedded therein wire not exceeding 0.075 inch in diameter and which are so constructed that under no conditions will the percentage of metal in contact with the roadway exceed 5 percent of the total tire area in contact with the roadway, except that during the first 1,000 miles of use, the metal in contact with the roadway may exceed 5 percent of the tire area in contact with the roadway but shall in no event exceed 20 percent of such area.

(c) Pneumatic tires containing metal-type studs of tungsten carbide or other suitable material which are so inserted or constructed that under no conditions will the percentage of metal in contact with the roadway exceed 3 percent of the total tire area in contact with the roadway, but such tires may only be used between October 1 and May 1.

(d) The operation of vehicles upon unimproved roadways when nec-

essary in the construction or repair of highways.

(e) The operation of traction engines or tractors under conditions of a permit first obtained from the department of highways with respect to highways under its jurisdiction or the governing body of a city or county with respect to roads under its jurisdiction.



SENATE BILL NO. 159—COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

FEBRUARY 5, 1973

Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Creates the crime of careless driving. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 43-477)



EXPLANATION—Matter in italics is new; matter in brackets [] is material to be omitted,

AN ACT relating to traffic laws; creating the crime of careless driving; and providing a penalty.

The People of the State of Nevada, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 484 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section which shall read as follows:

It is unlawful for any person to drive any vehicle upon a highway in other than a careful or prudent manner or to fail to keep it under control at all times. A violation of this section constitutes careless driving.

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