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ASSEMBLY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
February 20, 1975

Members Present: Messrs. Glover, Howard, Dini, May, Dreyer
and Mrs. Hayes

Members Absent: Mr. Jacobsen (excused)

Guests: Representing

Homer M. Anvig	Nev. Highway Dept
Bill Shewan	Nev. Highway Dept
Louis W. Bergevin	Nev. Cattlemen Assn
John Borda	Office of Highway Safety
V.L. Fletcher	Dept of Motor Vehicles
Richard R. Garrod	Farmers Insurance Group
Virgil P. Anderson	AAA
James Lambert	Nevada Highway Patrol
L. Ciardella	Dept Motor Vehicle
Howard Hill	Dept Motor Vehicle
Chuck White	Nevada Farm Bureau Assn

Chairman Glover called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m. The first order of business was A.B. 233. This proposed bill restricts use of studded tires. Mr. Bill Shewan from Highway Dept spoke for the bill. He stated that some states have done surveys which show that studded tires do ruin highways, but, on the other hand, they do help motorists on hard packed snow and ice. He said the Highway Dept was in favor of the bill, but they would like to suggest line 20 of Section 1 be amended to read "but such tires may only be used between October 1 and March 30". Mr. Dreyer asked if there has been any study of weather conditions over previous years to determine when would be a good time to put on the studded tires.

A.B. 128 was discussed next. This bill requires staggered registration of certain vehicles. Chairman Glover announced that there was no objection from the tax accessors to the staggered registration.

The next Bill on the Agenda was A.B. 121 which prescribes warning device for slow moving vehicles. Mr. John Borda, Highway Safety Coordinator, presented some changes in the bill to the Committee. (See Attached) He said some 20 states and all the states surrounding Nevada have this type of bill. He clarified an objection made at a previous meeting that these emblems only need to be put on a towed vehicle if the vehicle does not go over 25 miles per hour. He also stated there is a section 5 now which specifies how and where the emblem will be mounted. Louis Bergevin, representing the Nevada Cattlemen Assn., stated that his group now has no objections to the bill with the changes made by John Borda. Chuck White, Nevada Farm Bureau Assn, asked committee if some penalty could be amended into this bill for those who mis-use this bill. James Lambert, Nevada Highway Patrol, stated that it was just assumed the penalty would be a misdemeanor. Chairman Glover asked the audience if there was any more discussion, as there was

none, he announced a 5 minute recess.

After the recess the following action was taken:

A.B. 121 Mr. May made a motion for "Do Pass as Amended;"
Mr. Dreyer seconded, and the motion was unanimous.

A.B. 128 Mr. Dreyer made a motion for "Do Pass as Amended;"
Mrs. Hayes seconded, and the motion was unanimous.

A.B. 233 Mr. May made a motion to hold the bill. This motion
died for lack of a second. Mr. Howard moved a "Do Pass"
Mr. Dini seconded, and the motion was unanimous.

Mr. Glover announced that he would make assignments for speaking
on these bills on the floor at some later time. As there was
no other business, he adjourned the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

AGENDA FOR COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

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Date THURS FEB. 20 Time 3:00 p.m. Room 214

Bills or Resolutions to be considered	Subject	Counsel requested*
A.B. 233	Restricts use of studded tires Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 43-407)	
A.B. 118	Prohibits certain unlicensed vehicle transactions and provides penalty. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 43-285)	
A.B. 128	Requires staggered registration of certain vehicles. Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 43-275)	
A.B. 121	Prescribes warning device for slow moving vehicles Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 43-396)	

*Please do not ask for counsel unless necessary.

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 121--COMMITTEE
ON TRANSPORTATION
JANUARY 29, 1975

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Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY--Prescribes warning device for slow moving vehicles.
Fiscal Note: No. (BDR 43-396)

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

AN ACT relating to traffic safety; prescribing a special warning device for display on slow moving vehicles except under certain conditions; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 484 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section which shall read as follows:
- 3 1. After September 15, 1975, when any vehicle or combination of
4 vehicles designed for and is operated at speeds of 25 miles per hour or
5 less is moved on a highway, whether pulled, towed, or self-propelled
6 and whether in daytime or nighttime, the vehicle or combination
7 shall have displayed a slow moving vehicle emblem, except as provided
8 in subsection 3.
- 9 2. Use of the slow moving vehicle emblem is restricted to the type
10 of vehicle or combination specified in subsection 1, and the use of the
11 emblem on any other type of vehicle or any stationary object on or beside
12 a highway is unlawful.
- 13 3. A vehicle or combination of vehicles of the type specified in sub-
14 section 1 is not required to have displayed a slow moving vehicle emblem
15 if the vehicle or combination is moved only on a highway not open to
16 public use or is guarded by flagmen or flares.
- 17 4. The requirement for a slow moving vehicle emblem is in addition
18 to any lights or warning flags required by this chapter.
- 19 5. The emblem shall be mounted, point up, in a plane perpendicular to
20 the direction of travel. It shall be placed at the rear of the vehicle,
21 unobscured. It may be permanently attached to equipment when practical.
- 22 6. The department of motor vehicles shall adopt standards for the
23 slow moving vehicle emblem that will conform to the American Society of
24 Agricultural Engineers Standard: ASAE S276.2.