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SENATE BILL NO. 342—SENATORS HARDY, NOLAN,  
AMODEI AND SHAFFER

MARCH 17, 2003

Referred to Committee on Government Affairs  
(Proposed amendment by Mick Gillins, NCOPS 05/16/03)  
SUMMARY—Prohibits false or fraudulent complaints against public officer  
or employee. (BDR 23-1144)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.  
Effect on the State: No.

EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be  
omitted, proposed amended language.  
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AN ACT relating to public personnel; prohibiting false or fraudulent  
complaints against a public officer or employee; 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:

1-1 **Section 1.** Chapter 281 of NRS is hereby amended by adding  
1-2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

1-3 *1. A person who knowingly files a false or fraudulent written*  
1-4 *complaint or allegation of misconduct against a public officer or*  
1-5 *public employee for conduct in the course and scope of the*  
1-6 *employment of the public officer or public employee is guilty of a*  
1-7 *misdemeanor.*

1-8 *2. As used in this section, "public employee" means a person who is not*  
*an elected official*  
1-9 *who performs public duties for compensation paid by the State, a*

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1-10 county, city, local government or other political subdivision of the  
1-11 State or an agency thereof.

3. As used in this section, "Complaint" means an allegation of misconduct made to an employer and designed to initiate an internal investigation.

1-12 Sec. 2. NRS 199.325 is hereby repealed.

1-13 Sec. 3. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2003.

#### 2-1 TEXT OF REPEALED SECTION

2-2 **199.325 Filing false or fraudulent complaint or allegation of**  
2-3 **misconduct against peace officer.**

2-4 1. A person who knowingly files a false or fraudulent written  
2-5 complaint or allegation of misconduct against a peace officer for  
2-6 conduct in the course and scope of his employment is guilty of a  
2-7 misdemeanor.

2-8 2. As used in this section, "peace officer" has the meaning  
2-9 ascribed to it in NRS 289.010.

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