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ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 42—COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

FEBRUARY 4, 2003

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Requires drivers of motor vehicles to stop in obedience to direction or traffic-control signal of school crossing guard and not proceed until highway is clear of all persons. (BDR 43-109)

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

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

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AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; requiring a driver of a motor vehicle to stop in obedience to the direction or traffic control signal of a school crossing guard; prohibiting the driver from proceeding until the highway is clear of all persons; 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 to read as follows:  
3     ***1. The driver of a vehicle:***  
4     ***(a) Shall stop in obedience to the direction or traffic-control***  
5     ***signal of a school crossing guard; and***  
6     ***(b) Shall not proceed until the highway is clear of all persons,***  
7     ***including, without limitation, the school crossing guard.***  
8     ***2. A person who violates any of the provisions of this section***  
9     ***is guilty of a misdemeanor.***  
10    ***3. As used in this section, “school crossing guard” means a***  
11    ***volunteer or paid employee of a local authority, local law***  
12    ***enforcement agency or school district whose duties include***  
13    ***assisting pupils to cross a highway.***



1       **Sec. 2.** NRS 484.325 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
2       484.325 Except as *otherwise* provided in NRS 484.327 and  
3       484.328 ~~and~~ *and section 1 of this act*:

4       1. When official traffic-control devices are not in place or not  
5       in operation the driver of a vehicle shall yield the right-of-way,  
6       slowing down or stopping if need be so to yield, to a pedestrian  
7       crossing the highway within a crosswalk when the pedestrian is  
8       upon the half of the highway upon which the vehicle is traveling, or  
9       when the pedestrian is approaching so closely from the opposite half  
10      of the highway as to be in danger.

11      2. A pedestrian shall not suddenly leave a curb or other place  
12      of safety and walk or run into the path of a vehicle which is so close  
13      that it is impossible for the driver to yield.

14      3. Whenever a vehicle is stopped at a marked crosswalk or at  
15      an unmarked crosswalk at an intersection, the driver of any other  
16      vehicle approaching from the rear shall not overtake and pass the  
17      stopped vehicle until the driver has determined that the vehicle  
18      being overtaken was not stopped for the purpose of permitting a  
19      pedestrian to cross the highway.

20      4. Whenever signals exhibiting the words "Walk" or "Don't  
21      Walk" are in place, such signals indicate as follows:

22      (a) While the "Walk" indication is illuminated, pedestrians  
23      facing the signal may proceed across the highway in the direction of  
24      the signal and must be given the right-of-way by the drivers of all  
25      vehicles.

26      (b) While the "Don't Walk" indication is illuminated, either  
27      steady or flashing, a pedestrian shall not start to cross the highway  
28      in the direction of the signal, but any pedestrian who has partially  
29      completed his crossing during the "Walk" indication shall proceed  
30      to a sidewalk, or to a safety zone if one is provided.

31      (c) Whenever the word "Wait" still appears in a signal, the  
32      indication has the same meaning as assigned in this section to  
33      the "Don't Walk" indication.

34      (d) Whenever a signal system provides a signal phase for the  
35      stopping of all vehicular traffic and the exclusive movement of  
36      pedestrians, and "Walk" and "Don't Walk" indications control  
37      pedestrian movement, pedestrians may cross in any direction  
38      between corners of the intersection offering the shortest route within  
39      the boundaries of the intersection when the "Walk" indication is  
40      exhibited, and when signals and other official traffic-control devices  
41      direct pedestrian movement in the manner provided in this section  
42      and in NRS 484.283.

43      **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2003.

