
SENATE BILL NO. 157—SENATOR RAWSON

FEBRUARY 18, 2003

Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Requires certain trucks and combinations of vehicles to be driven in extreme right lanes of certain highways. (BDR 43-595)

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.

AN ACT relating to highways; requiring certain trucks and combinations of vehicles to be driven in the extreme right lanes of certain highways; providing exceptions; 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.** NRS 484.305 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 484.305 1. If a highway has two or more clearly marked
3 lanes for traffic traveling in one direction, ~~{vehieles}~~ *a vehicle* must:
4 (a) Be driven as nearly as practicable entirely within a single
5 lane; and
6 (b) Not be moved from that lane until the driver has given the
7 appropriate turn signal and ascertained that such movement can be
8 made with safety.
9 2. Upon a highway which has been divided into three clearly
10 marked lanes a vehicle must not be driven in the extreme left lane at
11 any time. A vehicle on such a highway must not be driven in the
12 center lane except:
13 (a) When overtaking and passing another vehicle where the
14 highway is clearly visible and the center lane is clear of traffic for a
15 safe distance;
16 (b) In preparation for a left turn; or



1 (c) When the center lane is allocated exclusively to traffic
2 moving in the direction in which the vehicle is proceeding and a
3 sign is posted to give notice of such allocation.

4 3. If a highway has been designed to provide a single center
5 lane to be used only for turning by traffic moving in both directions,
6 the following rules apply:

7 (a) A vehicle may be driven in the center turn lane only for the
8 purpose of making a left-hand turn.

9 (b) A vehicle must not travel more than 200 feet in a center turn
10 lane before making a left-hand turn.

11 4. If a highway has been designed to provide a single right lane
12 to be used only for turning, a vehicle must:

13 (a) Be driven in the right turn lane only for the purpose of
14 making a right turn; and

15 (b) While being driven in the right turn lane, not travel through
16 an intersection.

17 *5. If a highway has three or more clearly marked lanes for*
18 *traffic traveling in one direction, a truck or truck-tractor, or a*
19 *combination of a vehicle and a trailer or semitrailer, with a gross*
20 *vehicle weight of 12,000 pounds or more must be driven only in*
21 *the two extreme right lanes of the highway, except that such a*
22 *vehicle or combination of vehicles may be driven in any other lane*
23 *in the direction of travel:*

24 (a) *For a reasonable distance for the purpose of making a left-*
25 *hand turn;*

26 (b) *When responding to emergency conditions;*

27 (c) *To avoid potential or actual traffic moving onto the two*
28 *extreme right lanes from an acceleration or merging lane; or*

29 (d) *Where a special hazard exists that requires the use of an*
30 *alternate lane for safety reasons.*

