SENATE BILL NO. 265-COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

MARCH 12, 2003

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Requires certain correctional officers employed by Department of Corrections to be certified by Peace Officers' Standards and Training Commission before performing certain responsibilities. (BDR 23-1279)

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

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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 correctional officers; requiring certain correctional officers employed by the Department of Corrections to be certified by the Peace Officers' Standards and Training Commission before performing certain responsibilities; 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 289.550 is hereby amended to read as follows: 289.550 1. Except as otherwise provided in [subsection 2,] subsections 2 and 3, a person upon whom some or all of the powers of a peace officer are conferred pursuant to NRS 289.150 to 289.360, inclusive, must be certified by the Commission within 1 year after the date on which the person commences employment as a peace officer unless the Commission, for good cause shown, grants in writing an extension of time, which must not exceed 6 months, by which the person must become certified. A person who fails to become certified within the required time shall not exercise any of the powers of a peace officer after the time for becoming certified has expired.

2. The following persons are not required to be certified by the Commission:



- (a) The Chief Parole and Probation Officer;
- (b) The Director of the Department of Corrections; 2

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- (c) The State Fire Marshal;
 (d) The Director of the Department of Public Safety, the deputy directors of the Department, the chiefs of the divisions of the Department other than the Investigation Division, and the members of the State Disaster Identification Team of the Division of Emergency Management of the Department;
 - (e) The Commissioner of Insurance and his chief deputy;
 - (f) Railroad policemen; and
- (g) California correctional officers. 11
- 3. A correctional officer employed by the Department of Corrections who is assigned the responsibilities set forth in subsection 5 of NRS 209.131 must be certified by the Commission 12 13 before performing any of those responsibilities.

 Sec. 2. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2003. 15



