SENATE BILL NO. 302-SENATOR TOWNSEND

## MARCH 17, 2003

## Referred to Committee on Finance

- SUMMARY—Requires Nevada Highway Patrol under certain circumstances to provide educational benefits to officers injured in line of duty. (BDR 43-1151)
- FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No. Effect on the State: Yes.

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

AN ACT relating to public safety; requiring the Nevada Highway Patrol under certain circumstances to pay certain educational expenses for officers injured in the line of duty; 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 480 of NRS is hereby amended by adding 2 thereto a new section to read as follows:
- 3 1. To the extent of legislative appropriation, the Nevada 4 Highway Patrol shall pay:
  - (a) One hundred percent of the tuition charge, if any; and
- 6 (b) Fifty percent of all registration fees, laboratory fees and 7 expenses for required textbooks and course materials,
- 8 assessed against a qualified officer of the Nevada Highway Patrol
- 9 for classes taken at a school within the University and Community
  10 College System of Nevada.
- 11 2. For the purposes of this section, an officer of the Nevada 12 Highway Patrol is qualified if he is:
- 13 (a) Injured in the line of duty; and

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14 (b) Eligible to apply for disability retirement pursuant to 15 NRS 286.620.



1 3. The value to the officer of any benefits paid pursuant to 2 this section must not reduce any allowance or benefit that the 3 officer would otherwise receive, including, without limitation, any 4 retirement or other allowance paid pursuant to chapter 286 of 5 NRS or any accident benefit paid pursuant to chapter 616C of 6 NRS.

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



