## Assembly Bill No. 256–Assemblymen Buckley and Manendo

## CHAPTER.....

AN ACT relating to driving under the influence of alcohol or a controlled substance; establishing the crimes of vehicular homicide and homicide by vessel for a person who drives a motor vehicle or operates a vessel under the influence of alcohol or certain controlled or prohibited substances in certain circumstances; providing penalties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

## Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law makes it unlawful for a person to drive or be in actual physical control of a vehicle on a highway or premises to which the public has access if the person is under the influence of an intoxicating liquor or a controlled or prohibited substance, or both. (NRS 484.379) A person who commits a first or second offense of driving under the influence within 7 years is guilty of a misdemeanor. For a third or subsequent offense within 7 years, a person is guilty of a category B felony which is punishable by imprisonment in the state prison for a minimum term of not less than 1 year and a maximum term of not more than 6 years and a fine of \$2,000 to \$5,000. (NRS 484.3792) For purposes of determining the number of offenses, a violation of the law concerning driving under the influence causing death or substantial bodily harm and any violation of the laws of another state which prohibit the same or similar conduct are counted.

Existing law provides a separate crime which is committed when a person who drives under the influence in violation of law proximately causes the death of or substantial bodily harm to another person, regardless of whether the person has previously been convicted of driving under the influence. This crime is a category B felony punishable by imprisonment in the state prison for a minimum term of not less than 2 years and a maximum term of not more than 20 years and a fine of \$2,000 to \$5,000. (NRS 484.3795)

This bill establishes the crime of "vehicular homicide" which is committed when a person who has previously committed at least three offenses of driving under the influence drives while under the influence in violation of law and proximately causes the death of another person. This crime is a category A felony punishable by imprisonment in the state prison for life with the possibility of parole or for a definite term of 25 years, with eligibility for parole beginning after a minimum of 10 years has been served. The number of offenses are determined in the same manner as for driving under the influence, however, the offenses are not restricted to offenses committed within the immediately preceding 7 years.

Existing law also makes it unlawful for a person to operate or be in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail if the person is under the influence of an intoxicating liquor or a controlled or prohibited substance, or both. (NRS 488.410) A person who commits a violation of operating a vessel under the influence is guilty of a misdemeanor. (NRS 488.950)

Existing law also provides a separate crime which is committed when a person who operates a vessel under the influence in violation of law proximately causes the death of or substantial bodily harm to another person. This crime is a category B felony and is punishable in the same manner prescribed for the crime when driving a vehicle under the influence. (NRS 488.420)

This bill establishes the crime of "homicide by vessel" which is committed when a person who has previously committed at least three offenses of operating a vessel under the influence operates a vessel while under the influence in violation of law and proximately causes the death of another person. This crime is a category A felony and is punishable in the same manner prescribed in this bill for vehicular homicide. In addition, the number of offenses are determined in the same manner as for vehicular homicide.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** NRS 483.330 is hereby amended to read as follows: 483.330 1. The Department may require every applicant for a driver's license, including a commercial driver's license issued pursuant to NRS 483.900 to 483.940, inclusive, to submit to an examination. The examination may include:

(a) A test of the applicant's ability to understand official devices used to control traffic;

(b) A test of his knowledge of practices for safe driving and the traffic laws of this State;

(c) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, a test of his eyesight; and

(d) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, an actual demonstration of his ability to exercise ordinary and reasonable control in the operation of a motor vehicle of the type or class of vehicle for which he is to be licensed.

 $\rightarrow$  The examination may also include such further physical and mental examination as the Department finds necessary to determine the applicant's fitness to drive a motor vehicle safely upon the highways.

2. The Department may provide by regulation for the acceptance of a report from an ophthalmologist, optician or optometrist in lieu of an eye test by a driver's license examiner.

3. If the Department establishes a type or classification of driver's license to operate a motor vehicle of a type which is not normally available to examine an applicant's ability to exercise ordinary and reasonable control of such a vehicle, the Department may, by regulation, provide for the acceptance of an affidavit from a:

(a) Past, present or prospective employer of the applicant; or

(b) Local joint apprenticeship committee which had jurisdiction over the training or testing, or both, of the applicant,

 $\rightarrow$  in lieu of an actual demonstration.

4. The Department may waive an examination pursuant to subsection 1 for a person applying for a Nevada driver's license who possesses a valid driver's license of the same type or class issued by another jurisdiction unless that person:

(a) Has not attained 25 years of age;

(b) Has had his license or privilege to drive a motor vehicle suspended, revoked or cancelled or has been otherwise disqualified from driving during the immediately preceding 4 years;

(c) Has been convicted [,] of a violation of section 10 of this act or, during the immediately preceding 7 years, of a violation of NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 or a law of any other jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct;

(d) Has restrictions to his driver's license which the Department must reevaluate to ensure the safe driving of a motor vehicle by that person;

(e) Has had three or more convictions of moving traffic violations on his driving record during the immediately preceding 4 years; or

(f) Has been convicted of any of the offenses related to the use or operation of a motor vehicle which must be reported pursuant to the provisions of Parts [1325 and] 1327 *et seq.* of Title 23 of the Code of Federal Regulations relating to the National Driver Register Problem Driver Pointer System during the immediately preceding 4 years.

**Sec. 2.** NRS 483.410 is hereby amended to read as follows:

483.410 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, for every driver's license, including a motorcycle driver's license, issued and service performed, the following fees must be charged:

A license issued to a person 65 years of age or older \$14 An original license issued to any other person
A renewal license issued to any other person
Reinstatement of a license after suspension,
revocation or cancellation, except a revocation
for a violation of NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 or
section 10 of this act or pursuant to NRS
484.384 and 484.385 40
Reinstatement of a license after revocation for a violation of NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 or section 10 of this act or pursuant to NRS
484.384 and 484.385
A new photograph, change of name, change of other information, except address, or any combination
A duplicate license

2. For every motorcycle endorsement to a driver's license, a fee of \$5 must be charged.

3. If no other change is requested or required, the Department shall not charge a fee to convert the number of a license from the licensee's social security number, or a number that was formulated by using the licensee's social security number as a basis for the number, to a unique number that is not based on the licensee's social security number.

4. The increase in fees authorized by NRS 483.347 and the fees charged pursuant to NRS 483.383 and 483.415 must be paid in addition to the fees charged pursuant to subsections 1 and 2.

5. A penalty of \$10 must be paid by each person renewing his license after it has expired for a period of 30 days or more as provided in NRS 483.386 unless he is exempt pursuant to that section.

6. The Department may not charge a fee for the reinstatement of a driver's license that has been:

(a) Voluntarily surrendered for medical reasons; or

(b) Cancelled pursuant to NRS 483.310.

7. All fees and penalties are payable to the Administrator at the time a license or a renewal license is issued.

8. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 483.340, 483.415 and 483.840, all money collected by the Department pursuant to this chapter must be deposited in the State Treasury for credit to the Motor Vehicle Fund.

Sec. 3. NRS 483.460 is hereby amended to read as follows:

483.460 1. Except as otherwise provided by specific statute, the Department shall revoke the license, permit or privilege of any driver upon receiving a record of his conviction of any of the following offenses, when that conviction has become final, and the driver is not eligible for a license, permit or privilege to drive for the period indicated:

(a) For a period of 3 years if the offense is:

(1) A violation of subsection 2 of NRS 484.377.

(2) A third or subsequent violation within 7 years of NRS 484.379.

(3) A violation of NRS 484.3795 or a homicide resulting from driving or being in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance or resulting from any other conduct prohibited by NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 [] or section 10 of this act.

 $\rightarrow$  The period during which such a driver is not eligible for a license, permit or privilege to drive must be set aside during any period of imprisonment and the period of revocation must resume upon completion of the period of imprisonment or when the person is placed on residential confinement.

(b) For a period of 1 year if the offense is:

(1) Any other manslaughter resulting from the driving of a motor vehicle or felony in the commission of which a motor vehicle is used, including the unlawful taking of a motor vehicle.

(2) Failure to stop and render aid as required pursuant to the laws of this State in the event of a motor vehicle accident resulting in the death or bodily injury of another.

(3) Perjury or the making of a false affidavit or statement under oath to the Department pursuant to NRS 483.010 to 483.630, inclusive, or pursuant to any other law relating to the ownership or driving of motor vehicles.

(4) Conviction, or forfeiture of bail not vacated, upon three charges of reckless driving committed within a period of 12 months.

(5) A second violation within 7 years of NRS 484.379 and the driver is not eligible for a restricted license during any of that period.

(6) A violation of NRS 484.348.

(c) For a period of 90 days, if the offense is a first violation within 7 years of NRS 484.379.

2. The Department shall revoke the license, permit or privilege of a driver convicted of violating NRS 484.379 who fails to complete the educational course on the use of alcohol and controlled substances within the time ordered by the court and shall add a period of 90 days during which the driver is not eligible for a license, permit or privilege to drive.

3. When the Department is notified by a court that a person who has been convicted of a first violation within 7 years of NRS 484.379 has been permitted to enter a program of treatment pursuant to NRS 484.37937, the Department shall reduce by one-half the period during which he is not eligible for a license, permit or privilege to drive, but shall restore that reduction in time if notified that he was not accepted for or failed to complete the treatment.

4. The Department shall revoke the license, permit or privilege to drive of a person who is required to install a device pursuant to NRS 484.3943 but who operates a motor vehicle without such a device:

(a) For 3 years, if it is his first such offense during the period of required use of the device.

(b) For 5 years, if it is his second such offense during the period of required use of the device.

5. A driver whose license, permit or privilege is revoked pursuant to subsection 4 is not eligible for a restricted license during the period set forth in paragraph (a) or (b) of that subsection, whichever applies.

6. In addition to any other requirements set forth by specific statute, if the Department is notified that a court has ordered the revocation, suspension or delay in the issuance of a license pursuant to title 5 of NRS, NRS 176.064 or 206.330, chapter 484 of NRS or any other provision of law, the Department shall take such actions as are necessary to carry out the court's order.

7. As used in this section, "device" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 484.3941.

Sec. 4. NRS 483.461 is hereby amended to read as follows:

483.461 1. If the result of a test given pursuant to NRS 484.382 or 484.383 shows that a person less than 21 years of age had a concentration of alcohol of 0.02 or more but less than 0.08 in his blood or breath at the time of the test, his license, permit or privilege to drive must be suspended for a period of 90 days.

2. If a revocation or suspension of a person's license, permit or privilege to drive for a violation of NRS 62E.640, 484.379 or 484.3795 *or section 10 of this act* follows a suspension ordered pursuant to subsection 1, the Department shall:

(a) Cancel the suspension ordered pursuant to subsection 1; and

(b) Give the person credit toward the period of revocation or suspension ordered pursuant to NRS 62E.640, 484.379 or 484.3795, *or section 10 of this act*, whichever is applicable, for any period during which the person's license, permit or privilege to drive was suspended pursuant to subsection 1.

3. This section does not preclude:

(a) The prosecution of a person for a violation of any other provision of law; or

(b) The suspension or revocation of a person's license, permit or privilege to drive pursuant to any other provision of law.

**Sec. 5.** NRS 483.461 is hereby amended to read as follows:

483.461 1. If the result of a test given pursuant to NRS 484.382 or 484.383 shows that a person less than 21 years of age had a concentration of alcohol of 0.02 or more but less than 0.10 in his blood or breath at the time of the test, his license, permit or privilege to drive must be suspended for a period of 90 days.

2. If a revocation or suspension of a person's license, permit or privilege to drive for a violation of NRS 62E.640, 484.379 or 484.3795 *or section 63 of this act* follows a suspension ordered pursuant to subsection 1, the Department shall:

(a) Cancel the suspension ordered pursuant to subsection 1; and

(b) Give the person credit toward the period of revocation or suspension ordered pursuant to NRS 62E.640, 484.379 or 484.3795, *or section 63 of this act*, whichever is applicable, for any period during which the person's license, permit or privilege to drive was suspended pursuant to subsection 1.

3. This section does not preclude:

(a) The prosecution of a person for a violation of any other provision of law; or

(b) The suspension or revocation of a person's license, permit or privilege to drive pursuant to any other provision of law.

Sec. 6. NRS 483.490 is hereby amended to read as follows:

483.490 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, after a driver's license has been suspended or revoked for an offense other than a second violation within 7 years of NRS 484.379 and one-half of the period during which the driver is not eligible for a license has expired, the Department may, unless the statute authorizing the suspension prohibits the issuance of a restricted license, issue a restricted driver's license to an applicant permitting the applicant to drive a motor vehicle:

(a) To and from work or in the course of his work, or both; or

(b) To acquire supplies of medicine or food or receive regularly scheduled medical care for himself or a member of his immediate family.

 $\rightarrow$  Before a restricted license may be issued, the applicant must submit sufficient documentary evidence to satisfy the Department that a severe hardship exists because the applicant has no alternative means of transportation and that the severe hardship outweighs the risk to the public if he is issued a restricted license.

2. A person who has been ordered to install a device in a motor vehicle pursuant to NRS 484.3943:

(a) Shall install the device not later than 21 days after the date on which the order was issued; and

(b) May not receive a restricted license pursuant to this section until:

(1) After at least 1 year of the period during which he is not eligible for a license, if he was convicted of:

(I) A violation of NRS 484.3795 or a homicide resulting from driving or being in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance or resulting from any other conduct prohibited by NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 **[;]** or section 10 of this act; or

(II) A third or subsequent violation within 7 years of NRS 484.379;

(2) After at least 180 days of the period during which he is not eligible for a license, if he was convicted of a violation of subsection 2 of NRS 484.377; or

(3) After at least 45 days of the period during which he is not eligible for a license, if he was convicted of a first violation within 7 years of NRS 484.379.

3. If the Department has received a copy of an order requiring a person to install a device in a motor vehicle pursuant to NRS 484.3943, the Department shall not issue a restricted driver's license to such a person pursuant to this section unless the applicant has submitted proof of compliance with the order and subsection 2.

4. After a driver's license has been revoked or suspended pursuant to title 5 of NRS, the Department may issue a restricted

driver's license to an applicant permitting the applicant to drive a motor vehicle:

(a) If applicable, to and from work or in the course of his work, or both; and

(b) If applicable, to and from school.

5. After a driver's license has been suspended pursuant to NRS 483.443, the Department may issue a restricted driver's license to an applicant permitting the applicant to drive a motor vehicle:

(a) If applicable, to and from work or in the course of his work, or both;

(b) To receive regularly scheduled medical care for himself or a member of his immediate family; and

(c) If applicable, as necessary to exercise a court-ordered right to visit a child.

6. A driver who violates a condition of a restricted license issued pursuant to subsection 1 or by another jurisdiction is guilty of a misdemeanor and, if the license of the driver was suspended or revoked for:

(a) A violation of NRS 484.379, 484.3795 or 484.384;

(b) A homicide resulting from driving or being in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance or resulting from any other conduct prohibited by NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 [;] or section 10 of this act; or

(c) A violation of a law of any other jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct as set forth in paragraph (a) or (b),

 $\rightarrow$  the driver shall be punished in the manner provided pursuant to subsection 2 of NRS 483.560.

7. The periods of suspensions and revocations required pursuant to this chapter and NRS 484.384 must run consecutively, except as otherwise provided in NRS 483.465 and 483.475, when the suspensions must run concurrently.

8. Whenever the Department suspends or revokes a license, the period of suspension, or of ineligibility for a license after the revocation, begins upon the effective date of the revocation or suspension as contained in the notice thereof.

**Sec. 7.** NRS 483.560 is hereby amended to read as follows:

483.560 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, any person who drives a motor vehicle on a highway or on premises to which the public has access at a time when his driver's license has been cancelled, revoked or suspended is guilty of a misdemeanor.

2. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, if the license of the person was suspended, revoked or restricted because of:

(a) A violation of NRS 484.379, 484.3795 or 484.384;

(b) A homicide resulting from driving or being in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance or resulting from any other conduct prohibited by NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 [;] or section 10 of this act; or

(c) A violation of a law of any other jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct as set forth in paragraph (a) or (b),

→ the person shall be punished by imprisonment in jail for not less than 30 days nor more than 6 months or by serving a term of residential confinement for not less than 60 days nor more than 6 months, and shall be further punished by a fine of not less than \$500 nor more than \$1,000. A person who is punished pursuant to this subsection may not be granted probation, and a sentence imposed for such a violation may not be suspended. A prosecutor may not dismiss a charge of such a violation in exchange for a plea of guilty or of nolo contendere to a lesser charge or for any other reason, unless in his judgment the charge is not supported by probable cause or cannot be proved at trial. The provisions of this subsection do not apply if the period of revocation has expired but the person has not reinstated his license.

3. A term of imprisonment imposed pursuant to the provisions of this section may be served intermittently at the discretion of the judge or justice of the peace. This discretion must be exercised after considering all the circumstances surrounding the offense, and the family and employment of the person convicted. However, the full term of imprisonment must be served within 6 months after the date of conviction, and any segment of time the person is imprisoned must not consist of less than 24 hours.

4. Jail sentences simultaneously imposed pursuant to this section and NRS 484.3792, 484.37937 or 484.3794 must run consecutively.

5. If the Department receives a record of the conviction or punishment of any person pursuant to this section upon a charge of driving a vehicle while his license was:

(a) Suspended, the Department shall extend the period of the suspension for an additional like period.

(b) Revoked, the Department shall extend the period of ineligibility for a license, permit or privilege to drive for an additional 1 year.

(c) Restricted, the Department shall revoke his restricted license and extend the period of ineligibility for a license, permit or privilege to drive for an additional 1 year.

(d) Suspended or cancelled for an indefinite period, the Department shall suspend his license for an additional 6 months for the first violation and an additional 1 year for each subsequent violation.

6. Suspensions and revocations imposed pursuant to this section must run consecutively.

**Sec. 8.** NRS 483.910 is hereby amended to read as follows: 483.910 1. The Department shall charge and collect the following fees:

For an original commercial driver's license which requires the Department to administer a driving
skills test
For an original commercial driver's license which
does not require the Department to administer a
driving skills test
For renewal of a commercial driver's license which
requires the Department to administer a driving
skills test
For renewal of a commercial driver's license which
does not require the Department to administer a
driving skills test
For reinstatement of a commercial driver's license
after suspension or revocation of the license for
a violation of NRS 484.379 or 484.3795, or
section 10 of this act, or pursuant to NRS
484.384 and 484.385, or pursuant to 49 C.F.R. §
383.51(b)(2)(i) or (ii)
For reinstatement of a commercial driver's license
after suspension, revocation, cancellation or
disqualification of the license, except a
suspension or revocation for a violation of NRS
484.379 or 484.3795, or section 10 of this act,
or pursuant to NRS 484.384 and 484.385, or
pursuant to 49 C.F.R. § 383.51(b)(2)(i) or (ii)
For the transfer of a commercial driver's license
from another jurisdiction, which requires the
Department to administer a driving skills test
from another jurisdiction, which does not require
the Department to administer a driving skills test 54
For a duplicate commercial driver's license
For any change of information on a commercial
driver's license
For each endorsement added after the issuance of an
original commercial driver's license
For the administration of a driving skills test to
change any information on, or add an
endorsement to, an existing commercial driver's
license

2. The Department shall charge and collect an annual fee of \$555 from each person who is authorized by the Department to administer a driving skills test pursuant to NRS 483.912.

3. An additional charge of \$3 must be charged for each knowledge test administered to a person who has twice failed the test.

4. An additional charge of \$25 must be charged for each driving skills test administered to a person who has twice failed the test.

5. The increase in fees authorized in NRS 483.347 must be paid in addition to the fees charged pursuant to this section.

6. The Department shall charge an applicant for a hazardous materials endorsement an additional fee for the processing of fingerprints. The Department shall establish the additional fee by regulation, except that the amount of the additional fee must not exceed the sum of the amount charged by the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History and each applicable federal agency to process the fingerprints for a background check of the applicant in accordance with Section 1012 of the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act (USA PATRIOT ACT) of 2001, 49 U.S.C. § 5103a.

Sec. 9. NRS 483.922 is hereby amended to read as follows:

483.922 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 484.383, a person who drives, operates or is in actual physical control of a commercial motor vehicle within this State shall be deemed to have given consent to an evidentiary test of his blood, urine, breath or other bodily substance for the purpose of determining the concentration of alcohol in his blood or breath or to detect the presence of a controlled substance, chemical, poison, organic solvent or another prohibited substance.

2. The tests must be administered pursuant to NRS 484.383 at the direction of a police officer who, after stopping or detaining such a person, has reasonable grounds to believe that the person was:

(a) Driving, operation or in actual physical control of a commercial motor vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance; or

(b) Engaging in any other conduct prohibited by NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 [-] or section 10 of this act.

3. As used in this section, "prohibited substance" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 484.1245.

**Sec. 10.** Chapter 484 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. A person commits vehicular homicide if he:

(a) Drives or is in actual physical control of a vehicle on or off the highways of this State and:

(1) Is under the influence of intoxicating liquor;

(2) Has a concentration of alcohol of  $0.0\overline{8}$  or more in his blood or breath;

(3) Is found by measurement within 2 hours after driving or being in actual physical control of a vehicle to have a concentration of alcohol of 0.08 or more in his blood or breath;

(4) Is under the influence of a controlled substance or is under the combined influence of intoxicating liquor and a controlled substance;

(5) Inhales, ingests, applies or otherwise uses any chemical, poison or organic solvent, or any compound or combination of any of these, to a degree which renders him incapable of safely driving or exercising actual physical control of a vehicle; or

(6) Has a prohibited substance in his blood or urine in an amount that is equal to or greater than the amount set forth in subsection 3 of NRS 484.379;

(b) Proximately causes the death of a person other than himself while driving or in actual physical control of a vehicle on or off the highways of this State; and

(c) Has previously been convicted of at least three offenses.

2. A person who commits vehicular homicide is guilty of a category A felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison:

(a) For life with the possibility of parole, with eligibility for parole beginning when a minimum of 10 years has been served; or

(b) For a definite term of 25 years, with eligibility for parole beginning when a minimum of 10 years has been served.

3. A person imprisoned pursuant to subsection 2 must, insofar as practicable, be segregated from offenders whose crimes were violent and, insofar as practicable, be assigned to an institution or facility of minimum security.

4. A prosecuting attorney shall not dismiss a charge of vehicular homicide in exchange for a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a lesser charge or for any other reason unless he knows or it is obvious that the charge is not supported by probable cause or cannot be proved at the time of trial. A sentence imposed pursuant to subsection 2 may not be suspended nor may probation be granted.

5. If consumption is proven by a preponderance of the evidence, it is an affirmative defense under subparagraph (3) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1 that the defendant consumed a sufficient quantity of alcohol after driving or being in actual physical control of the vehicle, and before his blood or breath was tested, to cause him to have a concentration of alcohol of 0.08 or

more in his blood or breath. A defendant who intends to offer this defense at a trial or preliminary hearing must, not less than 14 days before the trial or hearing or at such other time as the court may direct, file and serve on the prosecuting attorney a written notice of that intent.

6. If the defendant was transporting a person who is less than 15 years of age in the vehicle at the time of the violation, the court shall consider that fact as an aggravating factor in determining the sentence of the defendant.

7. As used in this section, "offense" means:

(a) A violation of NRS 484.379 or 484.3795;

(b) A homicide resulting from driving or being in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance or resulting from any other conduct prohibited by this section or NRS 484.379 or 484.3795; or

(c) A violation of a law of any other jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct as set forth in paragraph (a) or (b).

**Sec. 11.** NRS 484.259 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.259 1. Except for the provisions of NRS 484.379 to 484.3947, inclusive, *and section 10 of this act*, and any provisions made applicable by specific statute, the provisions of this chapter do not apply to persons, teams, motor vehicles and other equipment while actually engaged in work upon the surface of a highway.

2. The provisions of this chapter apply to the persons, teams, motor vehicles and other equipment described in subsection 1 when traveling to or from such work.

Sec. 12. NRS 484.3792 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.3792 1. Unless a greater penalty is provided pursuant to NRS 484.3795, *or section 10 of this act*, a person who violates the provisions of NRS 484.379:

(a) For the first offense within 7 years, is guilty of a misdemeanor. Unless he is allowed to undergo treatment as provided in NRS 484.37937, the court shall:

(1) Except as otherwise provided in subparagraph (4) or subsection 6, order him to pay tuition for an educational course on the abuse of alcohol and controlled substances approved by the Department and complete the course within the time specified in the order, and the court shall notify the Department if he fails to complete the course within the specified time;

(2) Unless the sentence is reduced pursuant to NRS 484.37937, sentence him to imprisonment for not less than 2 days nor more than 6 months in jail, or to perform not less than 48 hours, but not more than 96 hours, of community service while dressed in distinctive garb that identifies him as having violated the provisions of NRS 484.379;

(3) Fine him not less than \$400 nor more than \$1,000; and

(4) If he is found to have a concentration of alcohol of 0.18 or more in his blood or breath, order him to attend a program of treatment for the abuse of alcohol or drugs pursuant to the provisions of NRS 484.37945.

(b) For a second offense within 7 years, is guilty of a misdemeanor. Unless the sentence is reduced pursuant to NRS 484.3794, the court shall:

(1) Sentence him to:

(I) Imprisonment for not less than 10 days nor more than 6 months in jail; or

(II) Residential confinement for not less than 10 days nor more than 6 months, in the manner provided in NRS 4.376 to 4.3766, inclusive, or 5.0755 to 5.078, inclusive;

(2) Fine him not less than \$750 nor more than \$1,000, or order him to perform an equivalent number of hours of community service while dressed in distinctive garb that identifies him as having violated the provisions of NRS 484.379; and

(3) Order him to attend a program of treatment for the abuse of alcohol or drugs pursuant to the provisions of NRS 484.37945.

 $\rightarrow$  A person who willfully fails or refuses to complete successfully a term of residential confinement or a program of treatment ordered pursuant to this subsection is guilty of a misdemeanor.

(c) For a third or subsequent offense within 7 years, is guilty of a category B felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for a minimum term of not less than 1 year and a maximum term of not more than 6 years, and shall be further punished by a fine of not less than \$2,000 nor more than \$5,000. An offender so imprisoned must, insofar as practicable, be segregated from offenders whose crimes were violent and, insofar as practicable, be assigned to an institution or facility of minimum security.

2. An offense that occurred within 7 years immediately preceding the date of the principal offense or after the principal offense constitutes a prior offense for the purposes of this section when evidenced by a conviction, without regard to the sequence of the offenses and convictions. The facts concerning a prior offense must be alleged in the complaint, indictment or information, must not be read to the jury or proved at trial but must be proved at the time of sentencing and, if the principal offense is alleged to be a felony, must also be shown at the preliminary examination or presented to the grand jury.

3. A person convicted of violating the provisions of NRS 484.379 must not be released on probation, and a sentence imposed for violating those provisions must not be suspended except, as provided in NRS 4.373, 5.055, 484.37937 and 484.3794, that

portion of the sentence imposed that exceeds the mandatory minimum. A prosecuting attorney shall not dismiss a charge of violating the provisions of NRS 484.379 in exchange for a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a lesser charge or for any other reason unless he knows or it is obvious that the charge is not supported by probable cause or cannot be proved at the time of trial.

4. A term of confinement imposed pursuant to the provisions of this section may be served intermittently at the discretion of the judge or justice of the peace, except that a person who is convicted of a second or subsequent offense within 7 years must be confined for at least one segment of not less than 48 consecutive hours. This discretion must be exercised after considering all the circumstances surrounding the offense, and the family and employment of the offender, but any sentence of 30 days or less must be served within 6 months after the date of conviction or, if the offender was sentenced pursuant to NRS 484.37937 or 484.3794 and the suspension of his sentence was revoked, within 6 months after the date of revocation. Any time for which the offender is confined must consist of not less than 24 consecutive hours.

5. Jail sentences simultaneously imposed pursuant to this section and NRS 482.456, 483.560 or 485.330 must run consecutively.

6. If the person who violated the provisions of NRS 484.379 possesses a driver's license issued by a state other than the State of Nevada and does not reside in the State of Nevada, in carrying out the provisions of subparagraph (1) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1, the court shall:

(a) Order the person to pay tuition for and submit evidence of completion of an educational course on the abuse of alcohol and controlled substances approved by a governmental agency of the state of his residence within the time specified in the order; or

(b) Order him to complete an educational course by correspondence on the abuse of alcohol and controlled substances approved by the Department within the time specified in the order,

 $\rightarrow$  and the court shall notify the Department if the person fails to complete the assigned course within the specified time.

7. If the defendant was transporting a person who is less than 15 years of age in the motor vehicle at the time of the violation, the court shall consider that fact as an aggravating factor in determining the sentence of the defendant.

8. As used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires:

(a) "Concentration of alcohol of 0.18 or more in his blood or breath" means 0.18 gram or more of alcohol per 100 milliliters of the blood of a person or per 210 liters of his breath.

(b) "Offense" means:

(1) A violation of NRS 484.379 or 484.3795;

(2) A homicide resulting from driving or being in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance or resulting from any other conduct prohibited by NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 [;] or section 10 of this act; or

(3) A violation of a law of any other jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct as set forth in subparagraph (1) or (2).

Sec. 13. NRS 484.37937 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.37937 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, a person who is found guilty of a first violation of NRS 484.379, other than a person who is found to have a concentration of alcohol of 0.18 or more in his blood or breath, may, at that time or any time before he is sentenced, apply to the court to undergo a program of treatment for alcoholism or drug abuse which is certified by the Health Division of the Department of Human Resources for at least 6 months. The court shall authorize that treatment if:

(a) The person is diagnosed as an alcoholic or abuser of drugs by:

(1) An alcohol and drug abuse counselor who is licensed or certified pursuant to chapter 641C of NRS to make that diagnosis; or

(2) A physician who is certified to make that diagnosis by the Board of Medical Examiners;

(b) He agrees to pay the cost of the treatment to the extent of his financial resources; and

(c) He has served or will serve a term of imprisonment in jail of 1 day, or has performed or will perform 24 hours of community service.

2. A person may not apply to the court to undergo a program of treatment pursuant to subsection 1 if, within the immediately preceding 7 years, he has been found guilty of:

(a) A violation of NRS 484.3795;

(b) A homicide resulting from driving or being in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance or resulting from any other conduct prohibited by NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 [;] or section 10 of this act; or

(c) A violation of a law of any other jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct as set forth in paragraph (a) or (b).

3. For the purposes of subsection 1, a violation of a law of any other jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct as NRS 484.379 constitutes a violation of NRS 484.379.

4. A prosecuting attorney may, within 10 days after receiving notice of an application for treatment pursuant to this section,

request a hearing on the question of whether the offender is eligible to undergo a program of treatment for alcoholism or drug abuse. The court shall order a hearing on the application upon the request of the prosecuting attorney or may order a hearing on its own motion. The hearing must be limited to the question of whether the offender is eligible to undergo such a program of treatment.

5. At the hearing on the application for treatment, the prosecuting attorney may present the court with any relevant evidence on the matter. If a hearing is not held, the court shall decide the matter upon affidavits and other information before the court.

6. If the court grants an application for treatment, the court shall:

(a) Immediately sentence the offender and enter judgment accordingly.

(b) Suspend the sentence of the offender for not more than 3 years upon the condition that the offender be accepted for treatment by a treatment facility, that he complete the treatment satisfactorily and that he comply with any other condition ordered by the court.

(c) Advise the offender that:

(1) If he is accepted for treatment by such a facility, he may be placed under the supervision of the facility for a period not to exceed 3 years and during treatment he may be confined in an institution or, at the discretion of the facility, released for treatment or supervised aftercare in the community.

(2) If he is not accepted for treatment by such a facility or he fails to complete the treatment satisfactorily, he shall serve the sentence imposed by the court. Any sentence of imprisonment must be reduced by a time equal to that which he served before beginning treatment.

(3) If he completes the treatment satisfactorily, his sentence will be reduced to a term of imprisonment which is no longer than that provided for the offense in paragraph (c) of subsection 1 and a fine of not more than the minimum fine provided for the offense in NRS 484.3792, but the conviction must remain on his record of criminal history.

7. The court shall administer the program of treatment pursuant to the procedures provided in NRS 458.320 and 458.330, except that the court:

(a) Shall not defer the sentence, set aside the conviction or impose conditions upon the election of treatment except as otherwise provided in this section.

(b) May immediately revoke the suspension of sentence for a violation of any condition of the suspension.

8. The court shall notify the Department, on a form approved by the Department, upon granting the application of the offender for treatment and his failure to be accepted for or complete treatment.

Sec. 14. NRS 484.3794 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.3794 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, a person who is found guilty of a second violation of NRS 484.379 within 7 years may, at that time or any time before he is sentenced, apply to the court to undergo a program of treatment for alcoholism or drug abuse which is certified by the Health Division of the Department of Human Resources for at least 1 year if:

(a) He is diagnosed as an alcoholic or abuser of drugs by:

(1) An alcohol and drug abuse counselor who is licensed or certified pursuant to chapter 641C of NRS to make that diagnosis; or

(2) A physician who is certified to make that diagnosis by the Board of Medical Examiners;

(b) He agrees to pay the costs of the treatment to the extent of his financial resources; and

(c) He has served or will serve a term of imprisonment in jail of 5 days, and if required pursuant to NRS 484.3792, has performed or will perform not less than one-half of the hours of community service.

2. A person may not apply to the court to undergo a program of treatment pursuant to subsection 1 if, within the immediately preceding 7 years, he has been found guilty of:

(a) A violation of NRS 484.3795;

(b) A homicide resulting from driving or being in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance or resulting from any other conduct prohibited by NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 [;] or section 10 of this act; or

(c) A violation of a law of any other jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct as set forth in paragraph (a) or (b).

3. For the purposes of subsection 1, a violation of a law of any other jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct as NRS 484.379 constitutes a violation of NRS 484.379.

4. A prosecuting attorney may, within 10 days after receiving notice of an application for treatment pursuant to this section, request a hearing on the matter. The court shall order a hearing on the application upon the request of the prosecuting attorney or may order a hearing on its own motion.

5. At the hearing on the application for treatment, the prosecuting attorney may present the court with any relevant evidence on the matter. If a hearing is not held, the court shall decide the matter upon affidavits and other information before the court.

6. If the court determines that an application for treatment should be granted, the court shall:

(a) Immediately sentence the offender and enter judgment accordingly.

(b) Suspend the sentence of the offender for not more than 3 years upon the condition that the offender be accepted for treatment by a treatment facility, that he complete the treatment satisfactorily and that he comply with any other condition ordered by the court.

(c) Advise the offender that:

(1) If he is accepted for treatment by such a facility, he may be placed under the supervision of the facility for a period not to exceed 3 years and during treatment he may be confined in an institution or, at the discretion of the facility, released for treatment or supervised aftercare in the community.

(2) If he is not accepted for treatment by such a facility or he fails to complete the treatment satisfactorily, he shall serve the sentence imposed by the court. Any sentence of imprisonment must be reduced by a time equal to that which he served before beginning treatment.

(3) If he completes the treatment satisfactorily, his sentence will be reduced to a term of imprisonment which is no longer than that provided for the offense in paragraph (c) of subsection 1 and a fine of not more than the minimum provided for the offense in NRS 484.3792, but the conviction must remain on his record of criminal history.

7. The court shall administer the program of treatment pursuant to the procedures provided in NRS 458.320 and 458.330, except that the court:

(a) Shall not defer the sentence, set aside the conviction or impose conditions upon the election of treatment except as otherwise provided in this section.

(b) May immediately revoke the suspension of sentence for a violation of a condition of the suspension.

8. The court shall notify the Department, on a form approved by the Department, upon granting the application of the offender for treatment and his failure to be accepted for or complete treatment.

Sec. 15. NRS 484.37945 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.37945 1. When a program of treatment is ordered pursuant to paragraph (a) or (b) of subsection 1 of NRS 484.3792, the court shall place the offender under the clinical supervision of a treatment facility for treatment for a period not to exceed 1 year, in accordance with the report submitted to the court pursuant to subsection 3, 4 or 5 of NRS 484.37943. The court shall:

(a) Order the offender confined in a treatment facility, then release the offender for supervised aftercare in the community; or

(b) Release the offender for treatment in the community,

 $\rightarrow$  for the period of supervision ordered by the court.

2. The court shall:

(a) Require the treatment facility to submit monthly progress reports on the treatment of an offender pursuant to this section; and

(b) Order the offender, to the extent of his financial resources, to pay any charges for his treatment pursuant to this section. If the offender does not have the financial resources to pay all those charges, the court shall, to the extent possible, arrange for the offender to obtain his treatment from a treatment facility that receives a sufficient amount of federal or state money to offset the remainder of the charges.

3. A treatment facility is not liable for any damages to person or property caused by a person who:

(a) Drives, operates or is in actual physical control of a vehicle or a vessel under power or sail while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance; or

(b) Engages in any other conduct prohibited by NRS 484.379, 484.3795, *or section 10 of this act*, subsection 2 of NRS 488.400, NRS 488.410 or 488.420 *or section 31 of this act* or a law of any other jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct,

 $\rightarrow$  after the treatment facility has certified to his successful completion of a program of treatment ordered pursuant to paragraph (a) or (b) of subsection 1 of NRS 484.3792.

Sec. 16. NRS 484.3795 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.3795 1. [A] Unless a greater penalty is provided pursuant to section 10 of this act, a person who:

(a) Is under the influence of intoxicating liquor;

(b) Has a concentration of alcohol of 0.08 or more in his blood or breath;

(c) Is found by measurement within 2 hours after driving or being in actual physical control of a vehicle to have a concentration of alcohol of 0.08 or more in his blood or breath;

(d) Is under the influence of a controlled substance or is under the combined influence of intoxicating liquor and a controlled substance;

(e) Inhales, ingests, applies or otherwise uses any chemical, poison or organic solvent, or any compound or combination of any of these, to a degree which renders him incapable of safely driving or exercising actual physical control of a vehicle; or

(f) Has a prohibited substance in his blood or urine in an amount that is equal to or greater than the amount set forth in subsection 3 of NRS 484.379,

 $\rightarrow$  and does any act or neglects any duty imposed by law while driving or in actual physical control of any vehicle on or off the highways of this State, if the act or neglect of duty proximately

causes the death of, or substantial bodily harm to, a person other than himself, is guilty of a category B felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for a minimum term of not less than 2 years and a maximum term of not more than 20 years and must be further punished by a fine of not less than \$2,000 nor more than \$5,000. A person so imprisoned must, insofar as practicable, be segregated from offenders whose crimes were violent and, insofar as practicable, be assigned to an institution or facility of minimum security.

2. A prosecuting attorney shall not dismiss a charge of violating the provisions of subsection 1 in exchange for a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a lesser charge or for any other reason unless he knows or it is obvious that the charge is not supported by probable cause or cannot be proved at the time of trial. A sentence imposed pursuant to subsection 1 may not be suspended nor may probation be granted.

3. If consumption is proven by a preponderance of the evidence, it is an affirmative defense under paragraph (c) of subsection 1 that the defendant consumed a sufficient quantity of alcohol after driving or being in actual physical control of the vehicle, and before his blood or breath was tested, to cause him to have a concentration of alcohol of 0.08 or more in his blood or breath. A defendant who intends to offer this defense at a trial or preliminary hearing must, not less than 14 days before the trial or hearing or at such other time as the court may direct, file and serve on the prosecuting attorney a written notice of that intent.

4. If the defendant was transporting a person who is less than 15 years of age in the motor vehicle at the time of the violation, the court shall consider that fact as an aggravating factor in determining the sentence of the defendant.

**Sec. 17.** NRS 484.3795 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.3795 1. [A] Unless a greater penalty is provided pursuant to section 63 of this act, a person who:

(a) Is under the influence of intoxicating liquor;

(b) Has a concentration of alcohol of 0.10 or more in his blood or breath;

(c) Is found by measurement within 2 hours after driving or being in actual physical control of a vehicle to have a concentration of alcohol of 0.10 or more in his blood or breath;

(d) Is under the influence of a controlled substance or is under the combined influence of intoxicating liquor and a controlled substance;

(e) Inhales, ingests, applies or otherwise uses any chemical, poison or organic solvent, or any compound or combination of any of these, to a degree which renders him incapable of safely driving or exercising actual physical control of a vehicle; or (f) Has a prohibited substance in his blood or urine in an amount that is equal to or greater than the amount set forth in subsection 3 of NRS 484.379,

→ and does any act or neglects any duty imposed by law while driving or in actual physical control of any vehicle on or off the highways of this State, if the act or neglect of duty proximately causes the death of, or substantial bodily harm to, a person other than himself, is guilty of a category B felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for a minimum term of not less than 2 years and a maximum term of not more than \$2,000 nor more than \$5,000. A person so imprisoned must, insofar as practicable, be segregated from offenders whose crimes were violent and, insofar as practicable, be assigned to an institution or facility of minimum security.

2. A prosecuting attorney shall not dismiss a charge of violating the provisions of subsection 1 in exchange for a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a lesser charge or for any other reason unless he knows or it is obvious that the charge is not supported by probable cause or cannot be proved at the time of trial. A sentence imposed pursuant to subsection 1 may not be suspended nor may probation be granted.

3. If consumption is proven by a preponderance of the evidence, it is an affirmative defense under paragraph (c) of subsection 1 that the defendant consumed a sufficient quantity of alcohol after driving or being in actual physical control of the vehicle, and before his blood or breath was tested, to cause him to have a concentration of alcohol of 0.10 or more in his blood or breath. A defendant who intends to offer this defense at a trial or preliminary hearing must, not less than 14 days before the trial or hearing or at such other time as the court may direct, file and serve on the prosecuting attorney a written notice of that intent.

4. If the defendant was transporting a person who is less than 15 years of age in the motor vehicle at the time of the violation, the court shall consider that fact as an aggravating factor in determining the sentence of the defendant.

Sec. 18. NRS 484.3796 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.3796 1. Before sentencing an offender pursuant to [NRS 484.3795 or] paragraph (c) of subsection 1 of NRS 484.3792, NRS 484.3795 or section 10 of this act, the court shall require that the offender be evaluated to determine whether he is an abuser of alcohol or drugs and whether he can be treated successfully for his condition.

2. The evaluation must be conducted by:

(a) An alcohol and drug abuse counselor who is licensed or certified pursuant to chapter 641C of NRS to make such an evaluation;

(b) A physician who is certified to make such an evaluation by the Board of Medical Examiners; or

(c) A psychologist who is certified to make such an evaluation by the Board of Psychological Examiners.

3. The alcohol and drug abuse counselor, physician or psychologist who conducts the evaluation shall immediately forward the results of the evaluation to the Director of the Department of Corrections.

Sec. 19. NRS 484.3797 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.3797 1. The judge or judges in each judicial district shall cause the preparation and maintenance of a list of the panels of persons who:

(a) Have been injured or had members of their families or close friends injured or killed by a person who was driving or in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance or who was engaging in any other conduct prohibited by NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 or section 10 of this act or a law of any other jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct; and

(b) Have, by contacting the judge or judges in the district, expressed their willingness to discuss collectively the personal effect of those crimes.

 $\rightarrow$  The list must include the name and telephone number of the person to be contacted regarding each such panel and a schedule of times and locations of the meetings of each such panel. The judge or judges shall establish, in cooperation with representatives of the members of the panels, a fee, if any, to be paid by defendants who are ordered to attend a meeting of the panel. The amount of the fee, if any, must be reasonable. The panel may not be operated for profit.

2. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, if a defendant pleads guilty to or is found guilty of any violation of NRS 484.379 or 484.3795, *or section 10 of this act*, the court shall, in addition to imposing any other penalties provided by law, order the defendant to:

(a) Attend, at the defendant's expense, a meeting of a panel of persons who have been injured or had members of their families or close friends injured or killed by a person who was driving or in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance or who was engaging in any other conduct prohibited by NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 or *section 10 of this act* or a law of any other jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct, in order to have the defendant understand the effect such a crime has on other persons; and

(b) Pay the fee, if any, established by the court pursuant to subsection 1.

 $\rightarrow$  The court may, but is not required to, order the defendant to attend such a meeting if one is not available within 60 miles of the defendant's residence.

3. A person ordered to attend a meeting pursuant to subsection 2 shall, after attending the meeting, present evidence or other documentation satisfactory to the court that he attended the meeting and remained for its entirety.

Sec. 20. NRS 484.37975 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.37975 1. If a person is convicted of a second or subsequent violation of NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 within 7 years [,] or of a violation of section 10 of this act, the court shall issue an order directing the Department to suspend the registration of each motor vehicle that is registered to or owned by the person for 5 days.

2. If a court issues an order directing the Department to suspend the registration of a motor vehicle pursuant to subsection 1, the court shall forward a copy of the order to the Department within 5 days after issuing the order. The order must include, without limitation, information concerning each motor vehicle that is registered to or owned by the person, including, without limitation, the registration number of the motor vehicle, if such information is available.

3. A court shall provide for limited exceptions to the provisions of subsection 1 on an individual basis to avoid undue hardship to a person other than the person to whom that provision applies. Such an exception must be provided if the court determines that:

(a) A member of the immediate family of the person whose registration is suspended needs to use the motor vehicle:

(1) To travel to or from work or in the course and scope of his employment;

(2) To obtain medicine, food or other necessities or to obtain health care services for himself or another member of his immediate family; or

(3) To transport himself or another member of his immediate family to or from school; or

(b) An alternative means of transportation is not available to a member of the immediate family of the person whose registration is suspended.

Sec. 21. NRS 484.3798 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.3798 1. If a defendant pleads guilty to or is found guilty of any violation of NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 or section 10 of this act and a chemical analysis of his blood, urine, breath or other bodily substance was conducted, the court shall, in addition to any

penalty provided by law, order the defendant to pay the sum of \$60 as a fee for the chemical analysis. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, any money collected for the chemical analysis must not be deducted from, and is in addition to, any fine otherwise imposed by the court and must be:

(a) Collected from the defendant before or at the same time that the fine is collected.

(b) Stated separately in the judgment of the court or on the court's docket.

2. All money collected pursuant to subsection 1 must be paid by the clerk of the court to the county or city treasurer, as appropriate, on or before the fifth day of each month for the preceding month.

3. The treasurer shall deposit all money received by him pursuant to subsection 2 in the county or city treasury, as appropriate, for credit to the fund for forensic services created pursuant to NRS 453.575. The money must be accounted for separately within the fund.

4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, each month the treasurer shall, from the money credited to the fund pursuant to subsection 3, pay any amount owed for forensic services and deposit any remaining money in the county or city general fund, as appropriate.

5. In counties that do not receive forensic services under a contract with the State, the money credited to the fund pursuant to subsection 3:

(a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b), must be:

(1) Expended to pay for the chemical analyses performed within the county;

(2) Expended to purchase and maintain equipment to conduct such analyses;

(3) Expended for the training and continuing education of the employees who conduct such analyses; and

(4) Paid to law enforcement agencies which conduct such analyses to be used by those agencies in the manner provided in this subsection.

(b) May only be expended to cover the costs of chemical analyses conducted by, equipment used by, or training for employees of an analytical laboratory that is approved by the Committee on Testing for Intoxication created in NRS 484.388.

**Sec. 22.** NRS 484.382 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.382 1. Any person who drives or is in actual physical control of a vehicle on a highway or on premises to which the public has access shall be deemed to have given his consent to a preliminary test of his breath to determine the concentration of alcohol in his breath when the test is administered at the direction of

a police officer at the scene of a vehicle accident or collision or where he stops a vehicle, if the officer has reasonable grounds to believe that the person to be tested was:

(a) Driving or in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance; or

(b) Engaging in any other conduct prohibited by NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 - or section 10 of this act.

2. If the person fails to submit to the test, the officer shall seize his license or permit to drive as provided in NRS 484.385 and arrest him and take him to a convenient place for the administration of a reasonably available evidentiary test under NRS 484.383.

3. The result of the preliminary test must not be used in any criminal action, except to show there were reasonable grounds to make an arrest.

Sec. 23. NRS 484.383 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.383 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 3 and 4, any person who drives or is in actual physical control of a vehicle on a highway or on premises to which the public has access shall be deemed to have given his consent to an evidentiary test of his blood, urine, breath or other bodily substance to determine the concentration of alcohol in of his blood or breath or to determine whether a controlled substance, chemical, poison, organic solvent or another prohibited substance is present, if such a test is administered at the direction of a police officer having reasonable grounds to believe that the person to be tested was:

(a) Driving or in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance; or

(b) Engaging in any other conduct prohibited by NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 - *or section 10 of this act.* 

2. If the person to be tested pursuant to subsection 1 is dead or unconscious, the officer shall direct that samples of blood from the person be tested.

3. Any person who is afflicted with hemophilia or with a heart condition requiring the use of an anticoagulant as determined by a physician is exempt from any blood test which may be required pursuant to this section but must, when appropriate pursuant to the provisions of this section, be required to submit to a breath or urine test.

4. If the concentration of alcohol in the blood or breath of the person to be tested is in issue:

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the person may refuse to submit to a blood test if means are reasonably available to perform a breath test.

(b) The person may request a blood test, but if means are reasonably available to perform a breath test when the blood test is requested, and the person is subsequently convicted, he must pay for the cost of the blood test, including the fees and expenses of witnesses in court.

(c) A police officer may direct the person to submit to a blood test if the officer has reasonable grounds to believe that the person:

(1) Caused death or substantial bodily harm to another person as a result of driving or being in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance or as a result of engaging in any other conduct prohibited by NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 [;] or section 10 of this act; or

(2) Has been convicted within the previous 7 years of:

(I) A violation of NRS 484.379, 484.3795, or section 10 of this act, subsection 2 of NRS 488.400, NRS 488.410 or 488.420 or section 31 of this act or a law of another jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct; or

(II) Any other offense in this State or another jurisdiction in which death or substantial bodily harm to another person resulted from conduct prohibited by a law set forth in sub-subparagraph (I).

5. If the presence of a controlled substance, chemical, poison, organic solvent or another prohibited substance in the blood or urine of the person is in issue, the officer may direct him to submit to a blood or urine test, or both, in addition to the breath test.

6. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 3 and 5, a police officer shall not direct a person to submit to a urine test.

7. If a person to be tested fails to submit to a required test as directed by a police officer pursuant to this section and the officer has reasonable grounds to believe that the person to be tested was:

(a) Driving or in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance; or

(b) Engaging in any other conduct prohibited by NRS 484.379 or 484.3795, *or section 10 of this act*,

 $\rightarrow$  the officer may direct that reasonable force be used to the extent necessary to obtain samples of blood from the person to be tested. Not more than three such samples may be taken during the 5-hour period immediately following the time of the initial arrest. In such a circumstance, the officer is not required to provide the person with a choice of tests for determining the concentration of alcohol or presence of a controlled substance or another prohibited substance in his blood.

8. If a person who is less than 18 years of age is directed to submit to an evidentiary test pursuant to this section, the officer shall, before testing the person, make a reasonable attempt to notify the parent, guardian or custodian of the person, if known.

**Sec. 24.** NRS 484.389 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.389 1. If a person refuses to submit to a required chemical test provided for in NRS 484.382 or 484.383, evidence of

that refusal is admissible in any criminal or administrative action arising out of acts alleged to have been committed while the person was:

(a) Driving or in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance; or

(b) Engaging in any other conduct prohibited by NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 - or section 10 of this act.

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3 of NRS 484.382, a court or hearing officer may not exclude evidence of a required test or failure to submit to such a test if the police officer or other person substantially complied with the provisions of NRS 484.382 to 484.393, inclusive.

3. If a person submits to a chemical test provided for in NRS 484.382 or 484.383, full information concerning that test must be made available, upon his request, to him or his attorney.

4. Evidence of a required test is not admissible in a criminal or administrative proceeding unless it is shown by documentary or other evidence that the law enforcement agency calibrated the breath-testing device and otherwise maintained it as required by the regulations of the Committee on Testing for Intoxication.

Sec. 25. NRS 484.391 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.391 1. A person who is arrested for driving or being in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance or for engaging in any other conduct prohibited by NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 or section 10 of this act must be permitted, upon his request and at his expense, reasonable opportunity to have a qualified person of his own choosing administer a chemical test or tests to determine:

(a) The concentration of alcohol in his blood or breath; or

(b) Whether a controlled substance, chemical, poison, organic solvent or another prohibited substance is present in his blood or urine.

2. The failure or inability to obtain such a test or tests by such a person does not preclude the admission of evidence relating to the refusal to submit to a test or relating to a test taken upon the request of a police officer.

3. A test obtained under the provisions of this section may not be substituted for or stand in lieu of the test required by NRS 484.383.

Sec. 26. NRS 484.393 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.393 1. The results of any blood test administered under the provisions of NRS 484.383 or 484.391 are not admissible in any hearing or criminal action arising out of acts alleged to have been committed by a person who was driving or in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance or who was engaging in any other conduct prohibited by NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 or section 10 of this act unless:

(a) The blood tested was withdrawn by a physician, physician assistant, registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, emergency medical technician or a technician, technologist or assistant employed in a medical laboratory;

(b) The test was performed on whole blood, except if the sample was clotted when it was received by the laboratory, the test may be performed on blood serum or plasma; and

(c) The person who withdrew the blood was authorized to do so by the appropriate medical licensing or certifying agency.

2. The limitation contained in paragraph (a) of subsection 1 does not apply to the taking of a chemical test of the urine, breath or other bodily substance.

3. No person listed in paragraph (a) of subsection 1 incurs any civil or criminal liability as a result of the administering of a blood test when requested by a police officer or the person to be tested to administer the test.

Sec. 27. NRS 484.3943 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.3943 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, a court:

(a) May order a person convicted of a first violation of NRS 484.379, for a period of not less than 3 months nor more than 6 months; and

(b) Shall order a person convicted of a third or subsequent violation of NRS 484.379 or a violation of NRS 484.3795, *or section 10 of this act*, for a period of not less than 12 months nor more than 36 months,

 $\rightarrow$  to install at his own expense a device in any motor vehicle which he owns or operates as a condition to obtaining a restricted license pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 483.490.

2. A court may order a person convicted of a violation of NRS 484.379 or 484.3795, *or section 10 of this act*, for a period determined by the court, to install at his own expense a device in any motor vehicle which he owns or operates as a condition of reinstatement of his driving privilege.

3. If the court orders a person to install a device pursuant to subsection 1 or 2:

(a) The court shall immediately prepare and transmit a copy of its order to the Director. The order must include a statement that a device is required and the specific period for which it is required. The Director shall cause this information to be incorporated into the records of the Department and noted as a restriction on the person's driver's license.

(b) The person who is required to install the device shall provide proof of compliance to the Department before he may receive a restricted license or before his driving privilege may be reinstated, as applicable. Each model of a device installed pursuant to this section must have been certified by the Committee on Testing for Intoxication.

4. A person whose driving privilege is restricted pursuant to this section shall:

(a) If he was ordered to install a device pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 1, have the device inspected by the manufacturer of the device or its agent at least one time during the period in which he is required to use the device; or

(b) If he was ordered to install a device pursuant to paragraph(b) of subsection 1, have the device inspected by the manufacturer of the device or its agent at least one time each 90 days,

 $\rightarrow$  to determine whether the device is operating properly. An inspection required pursuant to this subsection must be conducted in accordance with regulations adopted pursuant to NRS 484.3888. The manufacturer or its agent shall submit a report to the Director indicating whether the device is operating properly and whether it has been tampered with. If the device has been tampered with, the Director shall notify the court that ordered the installation of the device.

5. If a person is required to operate a motor vehicle in the course and scope of his employment and the motor vehicle is owned by his employer, the person may operate that vehicle without the installation of a device, if:

(a) The employee notifies his employer that the employee's driving privilege has been so restricted; and

(b) The employee has proof of that notification in his possession or the notice, or a facsimile copy thereof, is with the motor vehicle.

 $\rightarrow$  This exemption does not apply to a motor vehicle owned by a business which is all or partly owned or controlled by the person otherwise subject to this section.

Sec. 28. NRS 484.791 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.791 1. Any peace officer may, without a warrant, arrest a person if the officer has reasonable cause for believing that the person has committed any of the following offenses:

(a) Homicide by vehicle;

(b) A violation of NRS 484.379;

(c) A violation of NRS 484.3795;

(d) A violation of section 10 of this act;

(e) Failure to stop, give information or render reasonable assistance in the event of an accident resulting in death or personal injuries in violation of NRS 484.219 or 484.223;

**[(e)]** (f) Failure to stop or give information in the event of an accident resulting in damage to a vehicle or to other property legally

upon or adjacent to a highway in violation of NRS 484.221 or 484.225;

[(f)] (g) Reckless driving;

**[(g)]** (*h*) Driving a motor vehicle on a highway or on premises to which the public has access at a time when his driver's license has been cancelled, revoked or suspended; or

**[(h)]** (*i*) Driving a motor vehicle in any manner in violation of the restrictions imposed in a restricted license issued to him pursuant to NRS 483.490.

2. Whenever any person is arrested as authorized in this section, he must be taken without unnecessary delay before the proper magistrate as specified in NRS 484.803, except that in the case of either of the offenses designated in paragraphs [(e) and (g) of subsection 1 a peace officer has the same discretion as is provided in other cases in NRS 484.795.

Sec. 29. NRS 484.801 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.801 Except for felonies and those offenses set forth in paragraphs (a) to [(d),] (e), inclusive, of subsection 1 of NRS 484.791, a peace officer at the scene of a traffic accident may issue a traffic citation, as provided in NRS 484.799, or a misdemeanor citation, as provided in NRS 171.1773, to any person involved in the accident when, based upon personal investigation, the peace officer has reasonable and probable grounds to believe that the person has committed any offense pursuant to the provisions of this chapter or of chapter 482, 483, 485, 486 or 706 of NRS in connection with the accident.

Sec. 30. NRS 484.805 is hereby amended to read as follows:

484.805 Whenever any person is taken into custody by a peace officer for the purpose of taking him before a magistrate or court as authorized or required in this chapter upon any charge other than a felony or the offenses enumerated in paragraphs (a) to  $\frac{[(d),]}{(e)}$ , inclusive, of subsection 1 of NRS 484.791, and no magistrate is available at the time of arrest, and there is no bail schedule established by the magistrate or court and no lawfully designated court clerk or other public officer who is available and authorized to accept bail upon behalf of the magistrate or court, the person must be released from custody upon the issuance to him of a misdemeanor citation or traffic citation and his signing a promise to appear, as provided in NRS 171.1773 or 484.799, respectively.

Sec. 31. Chapter 488 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. A person commits homicide by vessel if he:

(a) Operates or is in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail on the waters of this State and:

(1) Is under the influence of intoxicating liquor;

(2) Has a concentration of alcohol of 0.08 or more in his blood or breath;

(3) Is found by measurement within 2 hours after operating or being in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail to have a concentration of alcohol of 0.08 or more in his blood or breath;

(4) Is under the influence of a controlled substance or is under the combined influence of intoxicating liquor and a controlled substance;

(5) Inhales, ingests, applies or otherwise uses any chemical, poison or organic solvent, or any compound or combination of any of these, to a degree which renders him incapable of safely operating or exercising actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail; or

(6) Has a prohibited substance in his blood or urine in an amount that is equal to or greater than the amount set forth in subsection 3 of NRS 488.410;

(b) Proximately causes the death of a person other than himself while operating or in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail; and

(c) Has previously been convicted of at least three offenses.

2. A person who commits homicide by vessel is guilty of a category A felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison:

(a) For life with the possibility of parole, with eligibility for parole beginning when a minimum of 10 years has been served; or

(b) For a definite term of 25 years, with eligibility for parole beginning when a minimum of 10 years has been served.

3. A person imprisoned pursuant to subsection 2 must, insofar as practicable, be segregated from offenders whose crimes were violent and, insofar as practicable, be assigned to an institution or facility of minimum security.

4. A prosecuting attorney shall not dismiss a charge of homicide by vessel in exchange for a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a lesser charge or for any other reason unless he knows or it is obvious that the charge is not supported by probable cause or cannot be proved at the time of trial. A sentence imposed pursuant to subsection 2 may not be suspended nor may probation be granted.

5. If consumption is proven by a preponderance of the evidence, it is an affirmative defense under subparagraph (3) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1 that the defendant consumed a sufficient quantity of alcohol after operating or being in actual physical control of the vessel, and before his blood or breath was tested, to cause him to have a concentration of alcohol of 0.08 or more in his blood or breath. A defendant who intends to offer this

defense at a trial or preliminary hearing must, not less than 14 days before the trial or hearing or at such other time as the court may direct, file and serve on the prosecuting attorney a written notice of that intent.

6. If the defendant was transporting a person who is less than 15 years of age in the vessel at the time of the violation, the court shall consider that fact as an aggravating factor in determining the sentence of the defendant.

7. As used in this section, "offense" means:

(a) A violation of NRS 488.410 or 488.420;

(b) A homicide resulting from operating or being in actual physical control of a vessel while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance or resulting from any other conduct prohibited by this section or NRS 488.410 or 488.420; or

(c) A violation of a law of any other jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct as set forth in paragraph (a) or (b).

**Sec. 32.** NRS 488.405 is hereby amended to read as follows:

488.405 As used in NRS 488.410 and 488.420, *and section 31 of this act*, the phrase "concentration of alcohol of 0.08 or more in his blood or breath" means 0.08 gram or more per 100 milliliters of the blood of a person or per 210 liters of his breath.

**Sec. 33.** NRS 488.405 is hereby amended to read as follows:

488.405 As used in NRS 488.410 and 488.420, *and section 63 of this act*, the phrase "concentration of alcohol of 0.10 or more in his blood or breath" means 0.10 gram or more per 100 milliliters of the blood of a person or per 210 liters of his breath.

**Sec. 34.** NRS 488.420 is hereby amended to read as follows:

488.420 1. [A] Unless a greater penalty is provided pursuant to section 31 of this act, a person who:

(a) Is under the influence of intoxicating liquor;

(b) Has a concentration of alcohol of 0.08 or more in his blood or breath;

(c) Is found by measurement within 2 hours after operating or being in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail to have a concentration of alcohol of 0.08 or more in his blood or breath;

(d) Is under the influence of a controlled substance or is under the combined influence of intoxicating liquor and a controlled substance;

(e) Inhales, ingests, applies or otherwise uses any chemical, poison or organic solvent, or any compound or combination of any of these, to a degree which renders him incapable of safely operating or being in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail; or (f) Has a prohibited substance in his blood or urine in an amount that is equal to or greater than the amount set forth in subsection 3 of NRS 488.410,

→ and does any act or neglects any duty imposed by law while operating or being in actual physical control of any vessel under power or sail, if the act or neglect of duty proximately causes the death of, or substantial bodily harm to, a person other than himself, is guilty of a category B felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for a minimum term of not less than 2 years and a maximum term of not more than 20 years and shall be further punished by a fine of not less than \$2,000 nor more than \$5,000. A person so imprisoned must, insofar as practicable, be segregated from offenders whose crimes were violent and, insofar as practicable, be assigned to an institution or facility of minimum security.

2. A prosecuting attorney shall not dismiss a charge of violating the provisions of subsection 1 in exchange for a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a lesser charge or for any other reason unless he knows or it is obvious that the charge is not supported by probable cause or cannot be proved at the time of trial. A sentence imposed pursuant to subsection 1 must not be suspended, and probation must not be granted.

3. If consumption is proven by a preponderance of the evidence, it is an affirmative defense under paragraph (c) of subsection 1 that the defendant consumed a sufficient quantity of alcohol after operating or being in actual physical control of the vessel under power or sail, and before his blood was tested, to cause him to have a concentration of alcohol of 0.08 or more in his blood or breath. A defendant who intends to offer this defense at a trial or preliminary hearing must, not less than 14 days before the trial or hearing or at such other time as the court may direct, file and serve on the prosecuting attorney a written notice of that intent.

4. If a person less than 15 years of age was in the vessel at the time of the defendant's violation, the court shall consider that fact as an aggravating factor in determining the sentence of the defendant.

Sec. 35. NRS 488.420 is hereby amended to read as follows:

488.420 1. [A] Unless a greater penalty is provided pursuant to section 63 of this act, a person who:

(a) Is under the influence of intoxicating liquor;

(b) Has a concentration of alcohol of 0.10 or more in his blood or breath;

(c) Is found by measurement within 2 hours after operating or being in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail to have a concentration of alcohol of 0.10 or more in his blood or breath; (d) Is under the influence of a controlled substance or is under the combined influence of intoxicating liquor and a controlled substance;

(e) Inhales, ingests, applies or otherwise uses any chemical, poison or organic solvent, or any compound or combination of any of these, to a degree which renders him incapable of safely operating or being in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail; or

(f) Has a prohibited substance in his blood or urine in an amount that is equal to or greater than the amount set forth in subsection 3 of NRS 488.410,

→ and does any act or neglects any duty imposed by law while operating or being in actual physical control of any vessel under power or sail, if the act or neglect of duty proximately causes the death of, or substantial bodily harm to, a person other than himself, is guilty of a category B felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison for a minimum term of not less than 2 years and a maximum term of not more than 20 years and shall be further punished by a fine of not less than \$2,000 nor more than \$5,000. A person so imprisoned must, insofar as practicable, be segregated from offenders whose crimes were violent and, insofar as practicable, be assigned to an institution or facility of minimum security.

2. A prosecuting attorney shall not dismiss a charge of violating the provisions of subsection 1 in exchange for a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a lesser charge or for any other reason unless he knows or it is obvious that the charge is not supported by probable cause or cannot be proved at the time of trial. A sentence imposed pursuant to subsection 1 must not be suspended, and probation must not be granted.

3. If consumption is proven by a preponderance of the evidence, it is an affirmative defense under paragraph (c) of subsection 1 that the defendant consumed a sufficient quantity of alcohol after operating or being in actual physical control of the vessel under power or sail, and before his blood was tested, to cause him to have a concentration of alcohol of 0.10 or more in his blood or breath. A defendant who intends to offer this defense at a trial or preliminary hearing must, not less than 14 days before the trial or hearing or at such other time as the court may direct, file and serve on the prosecuting attorney a written notice of that intent.

4. If a person less than 15 years of age was in the vessel at the time of the defendant's violation, the court shall consider that fact as an aggravating factor in determining the sentence of the defendant.

Sec. 36. NRS 488.430 is hereby amended to read as follows:

488.430 1. Before sentencing a defendant pursuant to NRS 488.420, or section 31 of this act, the court shall require that the

defendant be evaluated to determine whether he is an abuser of alcohol or drugs and whether he can be treated successfully for his condition.

2. The evaluation must be conducted by:

(a) An alcohol and drug abuse counselor who is licensed or certified pursuant to chapter 641C of NRS to make such an evaluation;

(b) A physician who is certified to make such an evaluation by the Board of Medical Examiners; or

(c) A psychologist who is certified to make such an evaluation by the Board of Psychological Examiners.

3. The alcohol and drug abuse counselor, physician or psychologist who conducts the evaluation shall immediately forward the results of the evaluation to the Director of the Department of Corrections.

Sec. 37. NRS 488.440 is hereby amended to read as follows:

488.440 1. If a defendant pleads guilty to or is found guilty of, a violation of NRS 488.410 or 488.420 *or section 31 of this act* and a chemical analysis of his blood, urine, breath or other bodily substance was conducted, the court shall, in addition to any penalty provided by law, order the defendant to pay the sum of \$60 as a fee for the chemical analysis. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, any money collected for the chemical analysis must not be deducted from, and is in addition to, any fine otherwise imposed by the court and must be:

(a) Collected from the defendant before or at the same time that the fine is collected.

(b) Stated separately in the judgment of the court or on the court's docket.

2. All money collected pursuant to subsection 1 must be paid by the clerk of the court to the county or city treasurer, as appropriate, on or before the fifth day of each month for the preceding month.

3. The treasurer shall deposit all money received by him pursuant to subsection 2 in the county or city treasury, as appropriate, for credit to the fund for forensic services created pursuant to NRS 453.575. The money must be accounted for separately within the fund.

4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, each month the treasurer shall, from the money credited to the fund pursuant to subsection 3, pay any amount owed for forensic services and deposit any remaining money in the county or city general fund, as appropriate.

5. In counties that do not receive forensic services under a contract with the State, the money credited to the fund pursuant to subsection 3:

(a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (b), must be:

(1) Expended to pay for the chemical analyses performed within the county;

(2) Expended to purchase and maintain equipment to conduct such analyses;

(3) Expended for the training and continuing education of the employees who conduct such analyses; and

(4) Paid to law enforcement agencies which conduct such analyses to be used by those agencies in the manner provided in this subsection.

(b) May only be expended to cover the costs of chemical analyses conducted by, equipment used by or training for employees of an analytical laboratory that is approved by the Committee on Testing for Intoxication created in NRS 484.388.

Sec. 38. NRS 488.450 is hereby amended to read as follows:

488.450 1. Any person who operates or is in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail on the waters of this State shall be deemed to have given his consent to a preliminary test of his breath to determine the concentration of alcohol in his breath when the test is administered at the direction of a peace officer after a vessel accident or collision or where an officer stops a vessel, if the officer has reasonable grounds to believe that the person to be tested was:

(a) Operating or in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance; or

(b) Engaging in any other conduct prohibited by NRS 488.410 or 488.420 [-] or section 31 of this act.

2. If the person fails to submit to the test, the officer shall arrest him and take him to a convenient place for the administration of a reasonably available evidentiary test under NRS 488.460.

3. The result of the preliminary test must not be used in any criminal action, except to show there were reasonable grounds to make an arrest.

Sec. 39. NRS 488.460 is hereby amended to read as follows:

488.460 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 3 and 4, a person who operates or is in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail on the waters of this State shall be deemed to have given his consent to an evidentiary test of his blood, urine, breath or other bodily substance to determine the concentration of alcohol in his blood or breath or to determine whether a controlled substance, chemical, poison, organic solvent or another prohibited substance is present, if such a test is administered at the direction of a peace officer having reasonable grounds to believe that the person to be tested was:

(a) Operating or in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance; or

(b) Engaging in any other conduct prohibited by NRS 488.410 or 488.420 [-] or section 31 of this act.

2. If the person to be tested pursuant to subsection 1 is dead or unconscious, the officer shall direct that samples of blood from the person be tested.

3. Any person who is afflicted with hemophilia or with a heart condition requiring the use of an anticoagulant as determined by a physician is exempt from any blood test which may be required pursuant to this section, but must, when appropriate pursuant to the provisions of this section, be required to submit to a breath or urine test.

4. If the concentration of alcohol of the blood or breath of the person to be tested is in issue:

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the person may refuse to submit to a blood test if means are reasonably available to perform a breath test.

(b) The person may request a blood test, but if means are reasonably available to perform a breath test when the blood test is requested, and the person is subsequently convicted, he must pay for the cost of the blood test, including the fees and expenses of witnesses in court.

(c) A peace officer may direct the person to submit to a blood test if the officer has reasonable grounds to believe that the person:

(1) Caused death or substantial bodily harm to another person as a result of operating or being in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance or as a result of engaging in any other conduct prohibited by NRS 488.410 or 488.420 [;] or section 31 of this act; or

(2) Has been convicted within the previous 7 years of:

(I) A violation of NRS 484.379, 484.3795, or section 10 of this act, subsection 2 of NRS 488.400, NRS 488.410 or 488.420 or section 31 of this act or a law of another jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct; or

(II) Any other offense in this State or another jurisdiction in which death or substantial bodily harm to another person resulted from conduct prohibited by a law set forth in sub-subparagraph (I).

5. If the presence of a controlled substance, chemical, poison, organic solvent or another prohibited substance in the blood or urine of the person is in issue, the officer may direct him to submit to a blood or urine test, or both, in addition to the breath test.

6. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 3 and 5, a peace officer shall not direct a person to submit to a urine test.

7. If a person to be tested fails to submit to a required test as directed by a peace officer pursuant to this section and the officer has reasonable grounds to believe that the person to be tested was:

(a) Operating or in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance; or

(b) Engaging in any other conduct prohibited by NRS 488.410 or 488.420, *or section 31 of this act*,

 $\rightarrow$  the officer may direct that reasonable force be used to the extent necessary to obtain samples of blood from the person to be tested. Not more than three such samples may be taken during the 5-hour period immediately following the time of the initial arrest. In such a circumstance, the officer is not required to provide the person with a choice of tests for determining the alcoholic content or presence of a controlled substance or another prohibited substance in his blood.

Sec. 40. NRS 488.480 is hereby amended to read as follows:

488.480 1. If a person refuses to submit to a required chemical test provided for in NRS 488.450 or 488.460, evidence of that refusal is admissible in any criminal action arising out of acts alleged to have been committed while the person was:

(a) Operating or in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance; or

(b) Engaging in any other conduct prohibited by NRS 488.410 or 488.420 [-] or section 31 of this act.

2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3 of NRS 488.450, a court may not exclude evidence of a required test or failure to submit to such a test if the peace officer or other person substantially complied with the provisions of NRS 488.450 to 488.500, inclusive.

3. If a person submits to a chemical test provided for in NRS 488.450 or 488.460, full information concerning that test must be made available, upon his request, to him or his attorney.

4. Evidence of a required test is not admissible in a criminal proceeding unless it is shown by documentary or other evidence that the device for testing breath was certified pursuant to NRS 484.3882 and was calibrated, maintained and operated as provided by the regulations of the Committee on Testing for Intoxication adopted pursuant to NRS 484.3884, 484.3886 or 484.3888.

5. If the device for testing breath has been certified by the Committee on Testing for Intoxication to be accurate and reliable pursuant to NRS 484.3882, it is presumed that, as designed and manufactured, the device is accurate and reliable for the purpose of testing a person's breath to determine the concentration of alcohol in the person's breath.

6. A court shall take judicial notice of the certification by the Director of a person to operate testing devices of one of the certified types. If a test to determine the amount of alcohol in a person's breath has been performed with a certified type of device by a person who is certified pursuant to NRS 484.3886 or 484.3888, it is presumed that the person operated the device properly.

7. This section does not preclude the admission of evidence of a test of a person's breath where the:

(a) Information is obtained through the use of a device other than one of a type certified by the Committee on Testing for Intoxication.

(b) Test has been performed by a person other than one who is certified by the Director.

Sec. 41. NRS 488.490 is hereby amended to read as follows:

488.490 1. A person who is arrested for operating or being in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance or for engaging in any other conduct prohibited by NRS 488.410 or 488.420 *or section 31 of this act* must be permitted, upon his request and at his expense, reasonable opportunity to have a qualified person of his own choosing administer a chemical test to determine:

(a) The concentration of alcohol in his blood or breath; or

(b) Whether a controlled substance, chemical, poison, organic solvent or another prohibited substance is present in his blood or urine.

2. The failure or inability to obtain such a test does not preclude the admission of evidence relating to the refusal to submit to a test or relating to a test taken upon the request of a peace officer.

3. A test obtained under the provisions of this section may not be substituted for or stand in lieu of the test required by NRS 488.460.

Sec. 42. NRS 488.500 is hereby amended to read as follows:

488.500 1. The results of any blood test administered under the provisions of NRS 488.460 or 488.490 are not admissible in any criminal action arising out of acts alleged to have been committed by a person who was operating or in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance or who was engaging in any other conduct prohibited by NRS 488.410 or 488.420 or section 31 of this act unless:

(a) The blood tested was withdrawn by a physician, registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, emergency medical technician or a technician, technologist or assistant employed in a medical laboratory; (b) The test was performed on whole blood, except if the sample was clotted when it was received by the laboratory, the test may be performed on blood serum or plasma; and

(c) The person who withdrew the blood was authorized to do so by the appropriate licensing or certifying agency.

2. The limitation contained in paragraph (a) of subsection 1 does not apply to the taking of a chemical test of the urine, breath or other bodily substance.

3. No person listed in paragraph (a) of subsection 1 incurs any civil or criminal liability as a result of the administering of a blood test when requested by a peace officer or the person to be tested to administer the test.

Sec. 43. NRS 4.355 is hereby amended to read as follows:

4.355 1. A justice of the peace in a township whose population is 40,000 or more may appoint a referee to take testimony and recommend orders and a judgment:

(a) In any action filed pursuant to NRS 73.010;

(b) In any action filed pursuant to NRS 33.200 to 33.360, inclusive;

(c) In any action for a misdemeanor constituting a violation of chapter 484 of NRS, except NRS 484.379 ; [and 484.3795;] or

(d) In any action for a misdemeanor constituting a violation of a county traffic ordinance.

2. The referee must meet the qualifications of a justice of the peace as set forth in subsections 1 and 2 of NRS 4.010.

3. The referee:

(a) Shall take testimony;

(b) Shall make findings of fact, conclusions of law and recommendations for an order or judgment;

(c) May, subject to confirmation by the justice of the peace, enter an order or judgment; and

(d) Has any other power or duty contained in the order of reference issued by the justice of the peace.

conclusions 4. The findings of fact, of law and recommendations of the referee must be furnished to each party or his attorney at the conclusion of the proceeding or as soon thereafter as possible. Within 5 days after receipt of the findings of fact, conclusions of law and recommendations, a party may file a written objection. If no objection is filed, the court shall accept the findings, unless clearly erroneous, and the judgment may be entered thereon. If an objection is filed within the 5-day period, the justice of the peace shall review the matter by trial de novo, except that if all of the parties so stipulate, the review must be confined to the record.

 $\hat{5}$ . A referee must be paid one-half of the hourly compensation of a justice of the peace.

Sec. 44. NRS 42.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

42.010 1. In an action for the breach of an obligation, where the defendant caused an injury by the operation of a motor vehicle in violation of NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 or section 10 of this act after willfully consuming or using alcohol or another substance, knowing that he would thereafter operate the motor vehicle, the plaintiff, in addition to the compensatory damages, may recover damages for the sake of example and by way of punishing the defendant.

2. The provisions of NRS 42.005 do not apply to any cause of action brought pursuant to this section.

**Sec. 45.** NRS 50.325 is hereby amended to read as follows:

50.325 1. If a person is charged with an offense listed in subsection 4, and it is necessary to prove:

(a) The existence of any alcohol;

(b) The quantity of a controlled substance; or

(c) The existence or identity of a controlled substance, chemical, poison, organic solvent or another prohibited substance,

 $\rightarrow$  the prosecuting attorney may request that the affidavit or declaration of an expert or other person described in NRS 50.315 and 50.320 be admitted into evidence at the trial or preliminary hearing concerning the offense. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 50.315 and 50.320, the affidavit or declaration must be admitted into evidence.

2. If the request is to have the affidavit or declaration admitted into evidence at a preliminary hearing or hearing before a grand jury, the affidavit or declaration must be admitted into evidence upon submission. If the request is to have the affidavit or declaration admitted into evidence at trial, the request must be:

(a) Made at least 10 days before the date set for the trial;

(b) Sent to the defendant's counsel and to the defendant, by registered or certified mail by the prosecuting attorney; and

(c) Accompanied by a copy of the affidavit or declaration and the name, address and telephone number of the affiant or declarant.

3. The provisions of this section do not prohibit either party from producing any witness to offer testimony at trial.

4. The provisions of this section apply to any of the following offenses:

(a) An offense punishable pursuant to NRS 202.257, 455A.170, 455B.080, 493.130 or 639.283.

(b) An offense punishable pursuant to chapter 453, 484 or 488 of NRS.

(c) A homicide resulting from driving, operating or being in actual physical control of a vehicle or a vessel under power or sail while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance or resulting from any other conduct prohibited by NRS 484.379, 484.3795, *or section 10 of this act*, subsection 2 of NRS 488.400, NRS 488.410 or 488.420 [-] *or section 31 of this act*.

(d) Any other offense for which it is necessary to prove, as an element of the offense:

(1) The existence of any alcohol;

(2) The quantity of a controlled substance; or

(3) The existence or identity of a controlled substance, chemical, poison, organic solvent or another prohibited substance.

**Sec. 46.** NRS 62E.620 is hereby amended to read as follows:

62E.620 1. The juvenile court shall order a delinquent child to undergo an evaluation to determine whether the child is an abuser of alcohol or other drugs if the child committed:

(a) An unlawful act in violation of NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 [;] or section 10 of this act;

(b) The unlawful act of using, possessing, selling or distributing a controlled substance; or

(c) The unlawful act of purchasing, consuming or possessing an alcoholic beverage in violation of NRS 202.020.

2. The evaluation of the child must be conducted by:

(a) An alcohol and drug abuse counselor who is licensed or certified or an alcohol and drug abuse counselor intern who is certified pursuant to chapter 641C of NRS to make that classification; or

(b) A physician who is certified to make that classification by the Board of Medical Examiners.

3. The evaluation of the child may be conducted at an evaluation center.

4. The person who conducts the evaluation of the child shall report to the juvenile court the results of the evaluation and make a recommendation to the juvenile court concerning the length and type of treatment required for the child.

5. The juvenile court shall:

(a) Order the child to undergo a program of treatment as recommended by the person who conducts the evaluation of the child.

(b) Require the treatment facility to submit monthly reports on the treatment of the child pursuant to this section.

(c) Order the child or the parent or guardian of the child, or both, to the extent of their financial ability, to pay any charges relating to the evaluation and treatment of the child pursuant to this section. If the child or the parent or guardian of the child, or both, do not have the financial resources to pay all those charges:

(1) The juvenile court shall, to the extent possible, arrange for the child to receive treatment from a treatment facility which receives a sufficient amount of federal or state money to offset the remainder of the costs; and (2) The juvenile court may order the child, in lieu of paying the charges relating to his evaluation and treatment, to perform community service.

6. After a treatment facility has certified a child's successful completion of a program of treatment ordered pursuant to this section, the treatment facility is not liable for any damages to person or property caused by a child who:

(a) Drives, operates or is in actual physical control of a vehicle or a vessel under power or sail while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance; or

(b) Engages in any other conduct prohibited by NRS 484.379, 484.3795, *or section 10 of this act*, subsection 2 of NRS 488.400, NRS 488.410 or 488.420 *or section 31 of this act* or a law of any other jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct.

7. The provisions of this section do not prohibit the juvenile court from:

(a) Requiring an evaluation to be conducted by a person who is employed by a private company if the company meets the standards of the Health Division of the Department of Human Resources. The evaluation may be conducted at an evaluation center.

(b) Ordering the child to attend a program of treatment which is administered by a private company.

8. All information relating to the evaluation or treatment of a child pursuant to this section is confidential and, except as otherwise authorized by the provisions of this title or the juvenile court, must not be disclosed to any person other than:

(a) The juvenile court;

(b) The child;

(c) The attorney for the child, if any;

(d) The parents or guardian of the child;

(e) The district attorney; and

(f) Any other person for whom the communication of that information is necessary to effectuate the evaluation or treatment of the child.

9. A record of any finding that a child has violated the provisions of NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 *or section 10 of this act* must be included in the driver's record of that child for 7 years after the date of the offense.

Sec. 47. NRS 62E.640 is hereby amended to read as follows:

62E.640 1. If a child is adjudicated delinquent for an unlawful act in violation of NRS 484.379 or 484.3795, *or section 10 of this act*, the juvenile court shall, if the child possesses a driver's license:

(a) Issue an order revoking the driver's license of the child for 90 days and requiring the child to surrender his driver's license to the juvenile court; and

(b) Not later than 5 days after issuing the order, forward to the Department of Motor Vehicles a copy of the order and the driver's license of the child.

2. The Department of Motor Vehicles shall order the child to submit to the tests and other requirements which are adopted by regulation pursuant to subsection 1 of NRS 483.495 as a condition of reinstatement of the driver's license of the child.

3. If the child is adjudicated delinquent for a subsequent unlawful act in violation of NRS 484.379 or 484.3795, *or section 10 of this act*, the juvenile court shall order an additional period of revocation to apply consecutively with the previous order.

4. The juvenile court may authorize the Department of Motor Vehicles to issue a restricted driver's license pursuant to NRS 483.490 to a child whose driver's license is revoked pursuant to this section.

Sec. 48. NRS 179A.070 is hereby amended to read as follows:

179A.070 1. "Record of criminal history" means information contained in records collected and maintained by agencies of criminal justice, the subject of which is a natural person, consisting of descriptions which identify the subject and notations of summons in a criminal action, warrants, arrests, citations for misdemeanors issued pursuant to NRS 171.1773, citations issued for violations of NRS 484.379 and 484.3795, and section 10 of this act, detentions, decisions of a district attorney or the Attorney General not to prosecute the subject, indictments, informations or other formal criminal charges and dispositions of charges, including, without limitation, dismissals, acquittals, convictions, sentences, information set forth in NRS 209.353 concerning an offender in prison, any postconviction relief, correctional supervision occurring in Nevada, information concerning the status of an offender on parole or probation, and information concerning a convicted person who has registered as such pursuant to chapter 179C of NRS. The term includes only information contained in a record, maintained in written or electronic form, of a formal transaction between a person and an agency of criminal justice in this State, including, without limitation, the fingerprints of a person who is arrested and taken into custody and of a person who is placed on parole or probation and supervised by the Division of Parole and Probation of the Department.

2. "Record of criminal history" does not include:

(a) Investigative or intelligence information, reports of crime or other information concerning specific persons collected in the course of the enforcement of criminal laws;

(b) Information concerning juveniles;

(c) Posters, announcements or lists intended to identify fugitives or wanted persons and aid in their apprehension;

(d) Original records of entry maintained by agencies of criminal justice if the records are chronological and not cross-indexed;

(e) Records of application for and issuance, suspension, revocation or renewal of occupational licenses, including, without limitation, permits to work in the gaming industry;

(f) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 1, court indexes and records of public judicial proceedings, court decisions and opinions, and information disclosed during public judicial proceedings;

(g) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 1, records of traffic violations constituting misdemeanors;

(h) Records of traffic offenses maintained by the Department to regulate the issuance, suspension, revocation or renewal of drivers' or other operators' licenses;

(i) Announcements of actions by the State Board of Pardons Commissioners and the State Board of Parole Commissioners, except information concerning the status of an offender on parole or probation; or

(j) Records which originated in an agency other than an agency of criminal justice in this State.

Sec. 49. NRS 207.012 is hereby amended to read as follows:

207.012 1. A person who:

(a) Has been convicted in this State of a felony listed in subsection 2; and

(b) Before the commission of that felony, was twice convicted of any crime which under the laws of the situs of the crime or of this State would be a felony listed in subsection 2, whether the prior convictions occurred in this State or elsewhere,

 $\rightarrow$  is a habitual felon and shall be punished for a category A felony by imprisonment in the state prison:

(1) For life without the possibility of parole;

(2) For life with the possibility of parole, with eligibility for parole beginning when a minimum of 10 years has been served; or

(3) For a definite term of 25 years, with eligibility for parole beginning when a minimum of 10 years has been served.

2. The district attorney shall include a count under this section in any information or shall file a notice of habitual felon if an indictment is found, if each prior conviction and the alleged offense committed by the accused constitutes a violation of subparagraph (1) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1 of NRS 193.330, NRS 199.160, 199.500, 200.030, 200.310, 200.340, 200.366, 200.380, 200.390, subsection 3 or 4 of NRS 200.400, NRS 200.410, subsection 3 of NRS 200.450, subsection 5 of NRS 200.460, NRS 200.465, subsection 1, paragraph (a) of subsection 2 or subparagraph (2) of paragraph (b) of subsection 2 of NRS 200.508, NRS 200.710, 200.720, 201.230, 201.450, 202.170, 202.270, subsection 2 of NRS 202.780, paragraph (b) of subsection 2 of NRS 202.820, subsection 2 of NRS 202.830, NRS 205.010, subsection 4 of NRS 205.060, subsection 4 of NRS 205.067, NRS 205.075, 207.400, paragraph (a) of subsection 1 of NRS 212.090, NRS 453.333, 484.219 or 484.3795 **[]** or section 10 of this act.

3. The trial judge may not dismiss a count under this section that is included in an indictment or information.

Sec. 50. NRS 209.392 is hereby amended to read as follows:

209.392 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 209.3925 and 209.429, the Director may, at the request of an offender who is eligible for residential confinement pursuant to the standards adopted by the Director pursuant to subsection 3 and who has:

(a) Established a position of employment in the community;

(b) Enrolled in a program for education or rehabilitation; or

(c) Demonstrated an ability to pay for all or part of the costs of his confinement and to meet any existing obligation for restitution to any victim of his crime,

 $\rightarrow$  assign the offender to the custody of the Division of Parole and Probation of the Department of Public Safety to serve a term of residential confinement, pursuant to NRS 213.380, for not longer than the remainder of his sentence.

Upon receiving a request to serve a term of residential 2. confinement from an eligible offender, the Director shall notify the Division of Parole and Probation. If any victim of a crime committed by the offender has, pursuant to subsection 4 of NRS 213.130, requested to be notified of the consideration of a prisoner for parole and has provided a current address, the Division of Parole and Probation shall notify the victim of the offender's request and advise the victim that he may submit documents regarding the request to the Division of Parole and Probation. If a current address has not been provided as required by subsection 4 of NRS 213.130, the Division of Parole and Probation must not be held responsible if such notification is not received by the victim. All personal information, including, but not limited to, a current or former address, which pertains to a victim and which is received by the Division of Parole and Probation pursuant to this subsection is confidential.

3. The Director, after consulting with the Division of Parole and Probation, shall adopt, by regulation, standards providing which offenders are eligible for residential confinement. The standards adopted by the Director must provide that an offender who:

(a) Is not eligible for parole or release from prison within a reasonable period;

(b) Has recently committed a serious infraction of the rules of an institution or facility of the Department;

(c) Has not performed the duties assigned to him in a faithful and orderly manner;

(d) Has ever been convicted of:

(1) Any crime involving the use or threatened use of force or violence against the victim; or

(2) A sexual offense;

(e) Has more than one prior conviction for any felony in this State or any offense in another state that would be a felony if committed in this State, not including a violation of NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 **[;]** or section 10 of this act;

(f) Has escaped or attempted to escape from any jail or correctional institution for adults; or

(g) Has not made an effort in good faith to participate in or to complete any educational or vocational program or any program of treatment, as ordered by the Director,

 $\rightarrow$  is not eligible for assignment to the custody of the Division of Parole and Probation to serve a term of residential confinement pursuant to this section.

4. If an offender assigned to the custody of the Division of Parole and Probation pursuant to this section escapes or violates any of the terms or conditions of his residential confinement:

(a) The Division of Parole and Probation may, pursuant to the procedure set forth in NRS 213.410, return the offender to the custody of the Department.

(b) The offender forfeits all or part of the credits for good behavior earned by him before the escape or violation, as determined by the Director. The Director may provide for a forfeiture of credits pursuant to this paragraph only after proof of the offense and notice to the offender and may restore credits forfeited for such reasons as he considers proper. The decision of the Director regarding such a forfeiture is final.

5. The assignment of an offender to the custody of the Division of Parole and Probation pursuant to this section shall be deemed:

(a) A continuation of his imprisonment and not a release on parole; and

(b) For the purposes of NRS 209.341, an assignment to a facility of the Department,

 $\rightarrow$  except that the offender is not entitled to obtain any benefits or to participate in any programs provided to offenders in the custody of the Department.

6. An offender does not have a right to be assigned to the custody of the Division of Parole and Probation pursuant to this section, or to remain in that custody after such an assignment, and it is not intended that the provisions of this section or of NRS 213.371 to 213.410, inclusive, create any right or interest in liberty or property or establish a basis for any cause of action against the

State, its political subdivisions, agencies, boards, commissions, departments, officers or employees.

**Sec. 51.** NRS 209.425 is hereby amended to read as follows:

209.425 1. The Director shall, with the approval of the Board, establish a program for the treatment of an abuser of alcohol or drugs who is imprisoned pursuant to paragraph (c) of subsection 1 of NRS 484.3792 or NRS 484.3795 [.] or section 10 of this act. The program must include an initial period of intensive mental and physical rehabilitation in a facility of the Department, followed by regular sessions of education, counseling and any other necessary or desirable treatment.

2. The Director may, upon the request of the offender after the initial period of rehabilitation, allow the offender to earn wages under any other program established by the Department if the offender assigns to the Department any wages he earns under such a program. The Director may deduct from the wages of the offender an amount determined by the Director, with the approval of the Board, to:

(a) Offset the costs, as reflected in the budget of the Department, to maintain the offender in a facility or institution of the Department and in the program of treatment established pursuant to this section; and

(b) Meet any existing obligation of the offender for the support of his family or restitution to any victim of his crime.

Sec. 52. NRS 209.481 is hereby amended to read as follows:

209.481 1. The Director shall not assign any prisoner to an institution or facility of minimum security if the prisoner:

(a) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 484.3792 and 484.3795, *and section 10 of this act*, is not eligible for parole or release from prison within a reasonable period;

(b) Has recently committed a serious infraction of the rules of an institution or facility of the Department;

(c) Has not performed the duties assigned to him in a faithful and orderly manner;

(d) Has been convicted of a sexual offense;

(e) Has committed an act of serious violence during the previous year; or

(f) Has attempted to escape or has escaped from an institution of the Department.

2. The Director shall, by regulation, establish procedures for classifying and selecting qualified prisoners.

**Sec. 53.** NRS 217.070 is hereby amended to read as follows:

217.070 "Victim" means:

1. A person who is physically injured or killed as the direct result of a criminal act;

2. A minor who was involved in the production of pornography in violation of NRS 200.710, 200.720, 200.725 or 200.730;

3. A minor who was sexually abused, as "sexual abuse" is defined in NRS 432B.100;

4. A person who is physically injured or killed as the direct result of a violation of NRS 484.379 or any act or neglect of duty punishable pursuant to NRS 484.3795 [;] or section 10 of this act;

5. A pedestrian who is physically injured or killed as the direct result of a driver of a motor vehicle who failed to stop at the scene of an accident involving the driver and the pedestrian in violation of NRS 484.219; or

6. A resident who is physically injured or killed as the direct result of an act of international terrorism as defined in 18 U.S.C. § 2331(1).

 $\rightarrow$  The term includes a person who was harmed by any of these acts whether the act was committed by an adult or a minor.

Sec. 54. NRS 217.220 is hereby amended to read as follows:

217.220 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 2 and 3, compensation must not be awarded if the victim:

(a) Was injured or killed as a result of the operation of a motor vehicle, boat or airplane unless the vehicle, boat or airplane was used as a weapon in a deliberate attempt to harm the victim or unless the driver of the vehicle injured a pedestrian, violated any of the provisions of NRS 484.379 or the use of the vehicle was punishable pursuant to NRS 484.3795 [;] or section 10 of this act;

(b) Was not a citizen of the United States or was not lawfully entitled to reside in the United States at the time the incident upon which the claim is based occurred or he is unable to provide proof that he was a citizen of the United States or was lawfully entitled to reside in the United States at that time;

(c) Was a coconspirator, codefendant, accomplice or adult passenger of the offender whose crime caused the victim's injuries;

(d) Was injured or killed while serving a sentence of imprisonment in a prison or jail;

(e) Was injured or killed while living in a facility for the commitment or detention of children who are adjudicated delinquent pursuant to title 5 of NRS; or

(f) Fails to cooperate with law enforcement agencies. Such cooperation does not require prosecution of the offender.

2. Paragraph (a) of subsection 1 does not apply to a minor who was physically injured or killed while being a passenger in the vehicle of an offender who violated NRS 484.379 or is punishable pursuant to NRS 484.3795 [.] or section 10 of this act.

3. A victim who is a relative of the offender or who, at the time of the personal injury or death of the victim, was living with the

offender in a continuing relationship may be awarded compensation if the offender would not profit by the compensation of the victim.

4. The compensation officer may deny an award if he determines that the applicant will not suffer serious financial hardship. In determining whether an applicant will suffer serious financial hardship, the compensation officer shall not consider:

(a) The value of the victim's dwelling;

(b) The value of one motor vehicle owned by the victim; or

(c) The savings and investments of the victim up to an amount equal to the victim's annual salary.

**Sec. 55.** NRS 453A.300 is hereby amended to read as follows:

453A.300 1. A person who holds a registry identification card issued to him pursuant to NRS 453A.220 or 453A.250 is not exempt from state prosecution for, nor may he establish an affirmative defense to charges arising from, any of the following acts:

(a) Driving, operating or being in actual physical control of a vehicle or a vessel under power or sail while under the influence of marijuana.

(b) Engaging in any other conduct prohibited by NRS 484.379, 484.3795, *or section 10 of this act*, subsection 2 of NRS 488.400, NRS 488.410, 488.420, *section 31 of this act* or 493.130.

(c) Possessing a firearm in violation of paragraph (b) of subsection 1 of NRS 202.257.

(d) Possessing marijuana in violation of NRS 453.336 or possessing drug paraphernalia in violation of NRS 453.560 or 453.566, if the possession of the marijuana or drug paraphernalia is discovered because the person engaged or assisted in the medical use of marijuana in:

(1) Any public place or in any place open to the public or exposed to public view; or

(2) Any local detention facility, county jail, state prison, reformatory or other correctional facility, including, without limitation, any facility for the detention of juvenile offenders.

(e) Delivering marijuana to another person who he knows does not lawfully hold a registry identification card issued by the Department or its designee pursuant to NRS 453A.220 or 453A.250.

(f) Delivering marijuana for consideration to any person, regardless of whether the recipient lawfully holds a registry identification card issued by the Department or its designee pursuant to NRS 453A.220 or 453A.250.

2. In addition to any other penalty provided by law, if the Department determines that a person has willfully violated a provision of this chapter or any regulation adopted by the Department or Division to carry out the provisions of this chapter, the Department may, at its own discretion, prohibit the person from

obtaining or using a registry identification card for a period of up to 6 months.

Sec. 56. NRS 458.260 is hereby amended to read as follows:

458.260 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the use of alcohol, the status of drunkard and the fact of being found in an intoxicated condition are not:

(a) Public offenses and shall not be so treated in any ordinance or resolution of a county, city or town.

(b) Elements of an offense giving rise to a criminal penalty or civil sanction.

2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply to:

(a) A civil or administrative violation for which intoxication is an element of the violation pursuant to the provisions of a specific statute or regulation;

(b) A criminal offense for which intoxication is an element of the offense pursuant to the provisions of a specific statute or regulation;

(c) A homicide resulting from driving, operating or being in actual physical control of a vehicle or a vessel under power or sail while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance or resulting from any other conduct prohibited by NRS 484.379, 484.3795, *or section 10 of this act*, subsection 2 of NRS 488.400, NRS 488.410 or 488.420 [;] *or section 31 of this act*; and

(d) Any offense or violation which is similar to an offense or violation described in paragraph (a), (b) or (c) and which is set forth in an ordinance or resolution of a county, city or town.

3. This section does not make intoxication an excuse or defense for any criminal act.

Sec. 57. NRS 458.270 is hereby amended to read as follows:

458.270 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 7, a person who is found in any public place under the influence of alcohol, in such a condition that he is unable to exercise care for his health or safety or the health or safety of other persons, must be placed under civil protective custody by a peace officer.

2. A peace officer may use upon such a person the kind and degree of force which would be lawful if he were effecting an arrest for a misdemeanor with a warrant.

3. If a licensed facility for the treatment of persons who abuse alcohol exists in the community where the person is found, he must be delivered to the facility for observation and care. If no such facility exists in the community, the person so found may be placed in a county or city jail or detention facility for shelter or supervision for his health and safety until he is no longer under the influence of alcohol. He may not be required against his will to remain in a licensed facility, jail or detention facility longer than 48 hours. 4. An intoxicated person taken into custody by a peace officer for a public offense must immediately be taken to a secure detoxification unit or other appropriate medical facility if his condition appears to require emergency medical treatment. Upon release from the detoxification unit or medical facility, the person must immediately be remanded to the custody of the apprehending peace officer and the criminal proceedings proceed as prescribed by law.

5. The placement of a person found under the influence of alcohol in civil protective custody must be:

(a) Recorded at the facility, jail or detention facility to which he is delivered; and

(b) Communicated at the earliest practical time to his family or next of kin if they can be located.

6. Every peace officer and other public employee or agency acting pursuant to this section is performing a discretionary function or duty.

7. The provisions of this section do not apply to a person who is apprehended or arrested for:

(a) A civil or administrative violation for which intoxication is an element of the violation pursuant to the provisions of a specific statute or regulation;

(b) A criminal offense for which intoxication is an element of the offense pursuant to the provisions of a specific statute or regulation;

(c) A homicide resulting from driving, operating or being in actual physical control of a vehicle or a vessel under power or sail while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance or resulting from any other conduct prohibited by NRS 484.379, 484.3795, *or section 10 of this act*, subsection 2 of NRS 488.400, NRS 488.410 or 488.420 [;] *or section 31 of this act*; and

(d) Any offense or violation which is similar to an offense or violation described in paragraph (a), (b) or (c) and which is set forth in an ordinance or resolution of a county, city or town.

Sec. 58. NRS 458.300 is hereby amended to read as follows:

458.300 Subject to the provisions of NRS 458.290 to 458.350, inclusive, an alcoholic or a drug addict who has been convicted of a crime is eligible to elect to be assigned by the court to a program of treatment for the abuse of alcohol or drugs pursuant to NRS 453.580 before he is sentenced unless:

1. The crime is a crime against the person punishable as a felony or gross misdemeanor as provided in chapter 200 of NRS or the crime is an act which constitutes domestic violence as set forth in NRS 33.018;

2. The crime is that of trafficking of a controlled substance;

3. The crime is a violation of NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 [;] or section 10 of this act;

4. The alcoholic or drug addict has a record of two or more convictions of a crime described in subsection 1 or 2, a similar crime in violation of the laws of another state, or of three or more convictions of any felony;

5. Other criminal proceedings alleging commission of a felony are pending against the alcoholic or drug addict;

6. The alcoholic or drug addict is on probation or parole and the appropriate parole or probation authority does not consent to the election; or

7. The alcoholic or drug addict elected and was admitted, pursuant to NRS 458.290 to 458.350, inclusive, to a program of treatment not more than twice within the preceding 5 years.

Sec. 59. NRS 629.065 is hereby amended to read as follows:

629.065 1. Each provider of health care shall, upon request, make available to a law enforcement agent or district attorney the health care records of a patient which relate to a test of his blood, breath or urine if:

(a) The patient is suspected of having violated NRS 484.379, 484.3795, *or section 10 of this act*, subsection 2 of NRS 488.400, NRS 488.410 or 488.420 [;] *or section 31 of this act*; and

(b) The records would aid in the related investigation.

 $\rightarrow$  To the extent possible, the provider of health care shall limit the inspection to the portions of the records which pertain to the presence of alcohol or a controlled substance, chemical, poison, organic solvent or another prohibited substance in the blood, breath or urine of the patient.

2. The records must be made available at a place within the depository convenient for physical inspection. Inspection must be permitted at all reasonable office hours and for a reasonable length of time. The provider of health care shall also furnish a copy of the records to each law enforcement agent or district attorney described in subsection 1 who requests the copy and pays the costs of reproducing the copy.

3. Records made available pursuant to this section may be presented as evidence during a related administrative or criminal proceeding against the patient.

4. A provider of health care and his agents and employees are immune from any civil action for any disclosures made in accordance with the provisions of this section or any consequential damages.

5. As used in this section, "prohibited substance" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 484.1245.

Sec. 60. NRS 690B.029 is hereby amended to read as follows:

690B.029 1. A policy of insurance against liability arising out of the ownership, maintenance or use of a motor vehicle delivered or issued for delivery in this State to a person who is 55 years of age or older must contain a provision for the reduction in the premiums for 3-year periods if the insured:

(a) Successfully completes, after attaining 55 years of age and every 3 years thereafter, a course of traffic safety approved by the Department of Motor Vehicles; and

(b) For the 3-year period before completing the course of traffic safety and each 3-year period thereafter:

(1) Is not involved in an accident involving a motor vehicle for which the insured is at fault;

(2) Maintains a driving record free of violations; and

(3) Has not been convicted of or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a moving traffic violation or an offense involving:

(I) The operation of a motor vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance; or

(II) Any other conduct prohibited by NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 *or section 10 of this act* or a law of any other jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct.

2. The reduction in the premiums provided for in subsection 1 must be based on the actuarial and loss experience data available to each insurer and must be approved by the Commissioner. Each reduction must be calculated based on the amount of the premium before any reduction in that premium is made pursuant to this section, and not on the amount of the premium once it has been reduced.

3. A course of traffic safety that an insured is required to complete as the result of moving traffic violations must not be used as the basis for a reduction in premiums pursuant to this section.

4. The organization that offers a course of traffic safety approved by the Department of Motor Vehicles shall issue a certificate to each person who successfully completes the course. A person must use the certificate to qualify for the reduction in the premiums pursuant to this section.

5. The Commissioner shall review and approve or disapprove a policy of insurance that offers a reduction in the premiums pursuant to subsection 1. An insurer must receive written approval from the Commissioner before delivering or issuing a policy with a provision containing such a reduction.

Sec. 61. NRS 706.8841 is hereby amended to read as follows:

706.8841 1. The Administrator shall issue a driver's permit to qualified persons who wish to be employed by certificate holders

as taxicab drivers. Before issuing a driver's permit, the Administrator shall:

(a) Require the applicant to submit a complete set of his fingerprints which the Administrator may forward to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation to ascertain whether the applicant has a criminal record and the nature of any such record, and shall further investigate the applicant's background; and

(b) Require proof that the applicant:

(1) Has been a resident of the State for 30 days before his application for a permit;

(2) Can read and orally communicate in the English language; and

(3) Has a valid license issued under NRS 483.325 which authorizes him to drive a taxicab in this State.

2. The Administrator may refuse to issue a driver's permit if the applicant has been convicted of:

(a) A felony relating to the practice of taxicab drivers in this State or any other jurisdiction at any time before the date of the application;

(b) A felony involving any sexual offense in this State or any other jurisdiction at any time before the date of the application; [or]

(c) A violation of NRS 484.379 or 484.3795 or a law of any other jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct within 3 years before the date of the application [-]; or

(d) A violation of section 10 of this act or a law of any other jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct.

3. The Administrator may refuse to issue a driver's permit if the Administrator, after the background investigation of the applicant, determines that the applicant is morally unfit or if the issuance of the driver's permit would be detrimental to public health, welfare or safety.

4. A taxicab driver shall pay to the Administrator, in advance, \$40 for an original driver's permit and \$10 for a renewal.

**Sec. 62.** Section 10 of this act is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 10. 1. A person commits vehicular homicide if he:

(a) Drives or is in actual physical control of a vehicle on or off the highways of this State and:

(1) Is under the influence of intoxicating liquor;

(2) Has a concentration of alcohol of [0.08] 0.10 or more in his blood or breath;

(3) Is found by measurement within 2 hours after driving or being in actual physical control of a vehicle to have

a concentration of alcohol of [0.08] 0.10 or more in his blood or breath;

(4) Is under the influence of a controlled substance or is under the combined influence of intoxicating liquor and a controlled substance;

(5) Inhales, ingests, applies or otherwise uses any chemical, poison or organic solvent, or any compound or combination of any of these, to a degree which renders him incapable of safely driving or exercising actual physical control of a vehicle; or

(6) Has a prohibited substance in his blood or urine in an amount that is equal to or greater than the amount set forth in subsection 3 of NRS 484.379;

(b) Proximately causes the death of a person other than himself while driving or in actual physical control of a vehicle on or off the highways of this State; and

(c) Has previously been convicted of at least three offenses.

2. A person who commits vehicular homicide is guilty of a category A felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison:

(a) For life with the possibility of parole, with eligibility for parole beginning when a minimum of 10 years has been served; or

(b) For a definite term of 25 years, with eligibility for parole beginning when a minimum of 10 years has been served.

3. A person imprisoned pursuant to subsection 2 must, insofar as practicable, be segregated from offenders whose crimes were violent and, insofar as practicable, be assigned to an institution or facility of minimum security.

4. A prosecuting attorney shall not dismiss a charge of vehicular homicide in exchange for a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a lesser charge or for any other reason unless he knows or it is obvious that the charge is not supported by probable cause or cannot be proved at the time of trial. A sentence imposed pursuant to subsection 2 may not be suspended nor may probation be granted.

5. If consumption is proven by a preponderance of the evidence, it is an affirmative defense under subparagraph (3) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1 that the defendant consumed a sufficient quantity of alcohol after driving or being in actual physical control of the vehicle, and before his blood or breath was tested, to cause him to have a concentration of alcohol of [0.08] 0.10 or more in his blood or breath. A defendant who intends to offer this defense at a trial or preliminary hearing

must, not less than 14 days before the trial or hearing or at such other time as the court may direct, file and serve on the prosecuting attorney a written notice of that intent.

6. If the defendant was transporting a person who is less than 15 years of age in the vehicle at the time of the violation, the court shall consider that fact as an aggravating factor in determining the sentence of the defendant.

7. As used in this section, "offense" means:

(a) A violation of NRS 484.379 or 484.3795;

(b) A homicide resulting from driving or being in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance or resulting from any other conduct prohibited by this section or NRS 484.379 or 484.3795; or

(c) A violation of a law of any other jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct as set forth in paragraph (a) or (b).

Sec. 63. Section 31 of this act is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 31. 1. A person commits homicide by vessel if he:

(a) Operates or is in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail on the waters of this State and:

(1) Is under the influence of intoxicating liquor;

(2) Has a concentration of alcohol of [0.08] 0.10 or more in his blood or breath;

(3) Is found by measurement within 2 hours after operating or being in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail to have a concentration of alcohol of [0.08] 0.10 or more in his blood or breath;

(4) Is under the influence of a controlled substance or is under the combined influence of intoxicating liquor and a controlled substance;

(5) Inhales, ingests, applies or otherwise uses any chemical, poison or organic solvent, or any compound or combination of any of these, to a degree which renders him incapable of safely operating or exercising actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail; or

(6) Has a prohibited substance in his blood or urine in an amount that is equal to or greater than the amount set forth in subsection 3 of NRS 488.420;

(b) Proximately causes the death of a person other than himself while operating or in actual physical control of a vessel under power or sail; and

(c) Has previously been convicted of at least three offenses.

2. A person who commits homicide by vessel is guilty of a category A felony and shall be punished by imprisonment in the state prison:

(a) For life with the possibility of parole, with eligibility for parole beginning when a minimum of 10 years has been served; or

(b) For a definite term of 25 years, with eligibility for parole beginning when a minimum of 10 years has been served.

3. A person imprisoned pursuant to subsection 2 must, insofar as practicable, be segregated from offenders whose crimes were violent and, insofar as practicable, be assigned to an institution or facility of minimum security.

4. A prosecuting attorney shall not dismiss a charge of homicide by vessel in exchange for a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to a lesser charge or for any other reason unless he knows or it is obvious that the charge is not supported by probable cause or cannot be proved at the time of trial. A sentence imposed pursuant to subsection 2 may not be suspended nor may probation be granted.

5. If consumption is proven by a preponderance of the evidence, it is an affirmative defense under subparagraph (3) of paragraph (a) of subsection 1 that the defendant consumed a sufficient quantity of alcohol after operating or being in actual physical control of the vessel, and before his blood or breath was tested, to cause him to have a concentration of alcohol of [0.08] 0.10 or more in his blood or breath. A defendant who intends to offer this defense at a trial or preliminary hearing must, not less than 14 days before the trial or hearing or at such other time as the court may direct, file and serve on the prosecuting attorney a written notice of that intent.

6. If the defendant was transporting a person who is less than 15 years of age in the vessel at the time of the violation, the court shall consider that fact as an aggravating factor in determining the sentence of the defendant.

7. As used in this section, "offense" means:

(a) A violation of NRS 488.410 or 488.420;

(b) A homicide resulting from operating or being in actual physical control of a vessel while under the influence of intoxicating liquor or a controlled substance or resulting from any other conduct prohibited by this section or NRS 488.410 or 488.420; or

(c) A violation of a law of any other jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct as set forth in paragraph (a) or (b). **Sec. 64.** 1. This section and sections 1 to 4, inclusive, 6 to 16, inclusive, 18 to 32, inclusive, 34 and 36 to 61, inclusive, of this act become effective on October 1, 2005.

2. Sections 4, 10, 16, 31, 32 and 34 of this act expire by limitation on the date of the repeal of the federal law requiring each state to make it unlawful for a person to operate a motor vehicle with a blood alcohol concentration of 0.08 percent or greater as a condition to receiving federal funding for the construction of highways in this State.

3. Sections 5, 17, 33, 35, 62 and 63 of this act become effective on the date of the repeal of the federal law requiring each state to make it unlawful for a person to operate a motor vehicle with a blood alcohol concentration of 0.08 percent or greater as a condition to receiving federal funding for the construction of highways in this State.

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