

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 528—COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

MARCH 29, 2005

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

**SUMMARY**—Revises crime of intimidating or threatening public officers and employees and certain other persons.  
(BDR 15-1371)

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

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

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AN ACT relating to crimes; revising the crime of intimidating or threatening public officers and employees and certain other persons; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

- 1      **Section 1.** NRS 199.300 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
2      199.300 1. A person **[who]** ***shall not***, directly or indirectly,  
3      **[addresses]** ***address*** any threat or intimidation to a public officer,  
4      public employee, juror, referee, arbitrator, appraiser, assessor or any  
5      person authorized by law to hear or determine any controversy or  
6      matter, with the intent to induce him, contrary to his duty to do,  
7      make, omit or delay any act, decision or determination, **[shall be**  
8      ***punished;*** ***if the threat or intimidation communicates the intent,***  
9      ***either immediately or in the future:***
- 10     (a) ***To cause bodily injury to any person;***  
11     (b) ***To cause physical damage to the property of any person***  
12     ***other than the person addressing the threat or intimidation;***  
13     (c) ***To subject any person other than the person addressing the***  
14     ***threat or intimidation to physical confinement or restraint; or***  
15     (d) ***To do any other act which is not otherwise authorized by***  
16     ***law and is intended to harm substantially any person other than***  
17     ***the person addressing the threat or intimidation with respect to his***



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1    *health, safety, business, financial condition or personal*  
2    *relationships.*

3    *2. The provisions of this section must not be construed as*  
4    *prohibiting a person from making any statement in good faith of*  
5    *an intention to report any misconduct or malfeasance by a public*  
6    *officer or employee.*

7    *3. A person who violates subsection 1 is guilty of:*

8        (a) If physical force or the immediate threat of physical force is  
9        used in the course of the intimidation or in the making of the threat:

10      (1) For a first offense, ~~for~~ a category C felony **and shall be**  
11      **punished** as provided in NRS 193.130.

12      (2) For a second or subsequent offense, ~~for~~ a category B  
13      felony **and shall be punished** by imprisonment in the state prison  
14      for a minimum term of not less than 2 years and a maximum term of  
15      not more than 10 years, and may be further punished by a fine of not  
16      more than \$10,000.

17      (b) If no physical force or immediate threat of physical force is  
18      used in the course of the intimidation or in the making of the threat,  
19      ~~for~~ a gross misdemeanor.

20      **[2.] 4.** As used in this section, "public employee" means any  
21      person who performs public duties for compensation paid by the  
22      State, a county, city, local government or other political subdivision  
23      of the State or an agency thereof, including, without limitation, a  
24      person who performs a service for compensation pursuant to a  
25      contract with the State, county, city, local government or other  
26      political subdivision of the State or an agency thereof.

