ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 356—ASSEMBLYMEN DICKMAN, LA RUE HATCH, ANDERSON, HANSEN, KASAMA; CARTER, D'SILVA, DURAN, GALLANT, GRAY, GURR, HAFEN, HARDY, KOENIG, MCARTHUR, MOSCA, O'NEILL, TAYLOR, WATTS, YEAGER AND YUREK

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JOINT SPONSORS: SENATORS SEEVERS GANSERT, GOICOECHEA, TITUS, HANSEN; FLORES AND NEAL

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Enacts provisions relating to mobile tracking devices. (BDR 15-1007)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: Increases or Newly
Provides for Term of Imprisonment in County or City
Jail or Detention Facility.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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

AN ACT relating to mobile tracking devices; prohibiting a person from installing, concealing or otherwise placing a mobile tracking device in or on the motor vehicle of another person under certain circumstances; providing penalties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

The United States District Court for the District of Nevada has held that using a GPS tracking device to monitor the movements of a person implicates the tort of invasion of privacy because a person has a reasonable expectation of privacy with respect to his or her daily movements in a motor vehicle. (*Ringelberg v. Vanguard Integrity Prof'ls-Nev., Inc.*, No. 2:17-CV-01788-JAD-PAL (D. Nev. Dec. 3, 2018)) Existing law does not expressly prohibit a person from installing a tracking device on the motor vehicle of another person. This bill expressly provides that a person commits the crime of unlawful installation of a mobile tracking device if the person installs, conceals or otherwise places a mobile tracking device in or on the motor vehicle of another person without the knowledge and consent of an owner or lessor of the motor vehicle, unless the person is a law enforcement officer who installs, conceals or otherwise places a mobile tracking device in or on a motor vehicle



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13 pursuant to a warrant or court order. This bill provides that a person who commits 14 any such offense is guilty of: (1) for the first offense, a misdemeanor; (2) for the 15

second offense, a gross misdemeanor; or (3) for the third or any subsequent offense,

16 a category C felony.

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

Section 1. Chapter 200 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

- 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, a person commits the crime of unlawful installation of a mobile tracking device if the person knowingly installs, conceals or otherwise places a mobile tracking device in or on the motor vehicle of another person without the knowledge and consent of an owner or lessor of the motor vehicle.
- 2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply to a law enforcement officer who installs, conceals or otherwise places a mobile tracking device in or on a motor vehicle pursuant to a warrant or court order.
- 3. A person who commits the crime of unlawful installation of a mobile tracking device is guilty of:
 - (a) For the first offense, a misdemeanor.
 - (b) For the second offense, a gross misdemeanor.
- (c) For the third or any subsequent offense, a category C felony and shall be punished as provided in NRS 193.130.
- 4. As used in this section, "mobile tracking device" means any device that permits a person to track the movement or location of another person or object through the transmission of any signal, including, without limitation, a radio or electronic signal.
 - **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2023.





