



# Legislative Update

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### I'm on the Web!

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### Beware of a new "Jury Duty" scam

The FBI and federal court system are warning of a new scam that has been reported in 11 states, where identity thieves call claiming to be jury coordinators. When you reply that you never received a summons, the caller asks for your social security number, date of birth and possibly credit card number so he or she can verify the information and cancel the arrest warrant---and if you supply that information, you become the victim of identity theft.

You can get more information on this scam on the FBI website at:

<http://www.fbi.gov/page2/june06/juryscam060206.htm>

### What's Happening in District 1

#### Coat Drive for Homeless Youth

Following the Thanksgiving holiday, there will be a district-wide service project to help provide gently used coats to area homeless children and teens.

Please stay tuned to future updates for details.

Dear Friend,

As part of my ongoing effort to provide you information on legislation passed by the 2007 Nevada Legislature, I am sending this email newsletter on public safety issues. If you do not wish to continue to receive these newsletters, please email me back and I will remove your email address.

During the past legislative session, we passed several bills that give law enforcement new tools to fight violent crime, senior abuse, crimes against children and graffiti. We made it more difficult to procure the ingredients to manufacture methamphetamine---a drug with devastating consequences for our society today. I was the primary Assembly sponsor of legislation to improve school safety. We also put new protections in the law against identity theft.

Below is a list of some of the legislation we passed during the 2007 legislative session to make our communities safer. For a complete list of all legislation approved by the 74<sup>th</sup> Nevada Legislature, visit [www.leg.state.nv.us](http://www.leg.state.nv.us).

As always, please contact me at any time about these or any other issues. All of my contact information is included in this newsletter.

Sincerely,

Marilyn



### Making Our Communities Safer

- **AB 14** Allows law enforcement to better PREVENT costly and unsightly graffiti by giving them the authority to arrest someone who has a graffiti implement in certain places before the perpetrator actually commits the vandalism. The bill also enhances penalties for graffiti crimes.
- **AB 58** Expands the first-degree murder qualifications to include murder committed in the perpetration or attempted perpetration of abuse of an older person or vulnerable person.
- **AB 91** Requires reporting of the theft or unusual sale of explosives that can be used to make explosive devises.
- **AB 92** Expands the crimes for which a convicted person is required to submit a biological specimen to apply to all felonies, rather than certain felonies. It also prohibits the sharing of biological specimens and certain information except under certain circumstances.
- **AB 112** Provides that persons who violate a protection order cannot receive bail for a minimum of 12 hours after their arrest if they have previously violated a protection order, have a blood alcohol level of .08 or higher, or have a controlled substance in their blood.
- **AB 114** Requires creditors who solicit offers by mail to verify the identity of any person who accepts but has listed a different address than the mail was originally sent to. The creditors may do this by calling the person at their listed phone number or by receiving ID from the person. This also allows victims of identity fraud to bring civil suit for damages related to the crime against a public officer or employee.
- **AB 137** Increases the penalty for engaging in acts of terrorism to imprisonment for a minimum term of two years and a maximum of twenty years. This bill also creates a new crime of delivering a "hoax substance," defined as any item that a reasonable person would believe is a weapon of mass destruction, biological agent, radioactive agent or other lethal agent, any toxin or any delivery system for use as a weapon.
- **AB 148** Prohibits the sale of over the counter drugs that are used to manufacture methamphetamine in places other than pharmacies, prohibits the disposition of chemical waste or debris from the manufacture of meth, and adds lithium metal and sodium metal to the list of prohibited chemicals.
- **AB 194** Allows judges to order persons with extended protective orders against them to surrender their firearms where there is a showing that there is a danger of gun violence or threats.
- **AB 226** Creates a unit within the Office of the Attorney General to investigate and prosecute crimes of abuse, neglect, isolation, or exploitation of senior citizens and provides additional penalties for persons who commit certain crimes against older persons.
- **AB 313** Requires the Department of Education to establish a procedure for the notification, tracking, and monitoring of the status of criminals cases involving licensed teachers.

**Annual Spaghetti Dinner**

Eva Wolfe Elementary School’s PTA will hold its annual spaghetti dinner on November 18.

Call 702-799-1860 for details

**Congratulations!**

Cheyenne High School’s football team made the Playoffs!

R.E. Tobler Elementary School is celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!

**In The News!**

We expect a decision in the PEPB case in late January.

- **AB 344** Makes it a Class E felony to intentionally or knowingly make a false or misleading statement for the purpose of activating the Statewide Alert System for the Safe Return of Abducted Children (Amber alert system).
- **AB 352** Prohibits the issuance of a work card to a person working in a senior apartment complex if that person has been convicted of certain crimes, including a Class A, B or C felony, sex offenses, or crimes against senior citizens.
- **AB 428** Makes “pretexting a crime. Pretexting is the practice of identity thieves who fraudulently obtain personal information to later access personal records.
- **AB 579** Requires all convicted sex offenders and offenders against children to register with local law enforcement agencies before their release from prison. If they were not imprisoned, they must register within three days of being sentenced for the offense. Also requires that the community be notified of the presence of a sex offender of all tiers.
- **SB 112** Restricts the sale and purchase of products that contain materials that can be used to manufacture methamphetamine and requires sellers of products that contain materials that can be used to manufacture methamphetamine to maintain a logbook.
- **SB 354** Allows school police to issue traffic citations around schools, prohibits the possession of firearms at daycare centers, requires the evaluation and drug testing of a child taken into custody for possession of a firearm at school, and puts new restrictions on group housing for sex offenders.
- **SB 471** Strengthens Nevada’s sex offender laws by prohibiting a Tier 3 sex offender from knowingly being within 500 feet of a place where children congregate or living within 1000 feet of a place where children congregate, increasing penalties for sex offenders who commit a crime against a child, electronic monitoring of certain sex offenders with the sex offender paying the cost, requiring a DNA sample at the time of registration, requiring sex offenders to register at the time of release from prison.