

# Conceptual Amendment

SB389

Proposed by Senator Pickard

## Intent:

This amendment seeks to (1) better align with the original intent of the bill; (2) to limit the restrictions to those areas subject to quarantine by state or local law, (3) to provide a better description of the lot size limitation, and (4) to make the law effective October 1, 2019.

## Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law provides for the regulation of apiaries and bees in this State, including, without limitation: (1) the control of the apiary industry by the Director of the State Department of Agriculture; (2) the inspection of apiaries by the Department; and (3) the abatement of apiaries which are a nuisance. (Chapter 552 of NRS) Section 1 of this bill prohibits a person from owning or possessing an apiary within any ~~urban or suburban~~ area of this State *under a quarantine designation for Africanized bees by state or federal authority*, having a ~~density of more than two residential units~~ *unit* ~~per acre in the urban or suburban area~~ *of a lot or unit size of 12,000 square feet or less*.

## Section 1.

Chapter 552 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

*1. A person shall not own or possess an apiary within any ~~urban or suburban~~ area of this State under a quarantine designation for Africanized bees by state or federal authority, having a density of more than two residential units ~~unit~~ per acre in the urban or suburban area of a lot or unit size of 12,000 square feet or less.*

*2. As used in this section, "residential unit" includes, without limitation, an apartment, condominium, mobile home, single-family home and townhouse.*

**Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on ~~July 1, 2019~~ *October 1, 2019*.