

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 211—ASSEMBLYMEN JAUREGUI;
FUMO AND MCCURDY II

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Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing compensation and wages. (BDR 53-764)

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.

AN ACT relating to labor; authorizing a court to award treble damages in an action to recover unpaid wages; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 This bill authorizes a court to award treble damages to an employee who
2 prevails in an action or proceeding to recover unpaid wages.

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

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 608 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 *If an employee prevails in any action or proceeding to recover*
4 *wages which are not paid in accordance with the provisions of this*
5 *chapter, the employee may recover an amount that is treble the*
6 *amount of the unpaid wages.*

7 **Sec. 2.** NRS 608.180 is hereby amended to read as follows:

8 608.180 The Labor Commissioner or the representative of the
9 Labor Commissioner shall cause the provisions of NRS 608.005 to
10 608.195, inclusive, *and section 1 of this act* to be enforced, and
11 upon notice from the Labor Commissioner or the representative:

12 1. The district attorney of any county in which a violation of
13 those sections has occurred;



- 1 2. The Deputy Labor Commissioner, as provided in
2 NRS 607.050;
3 3. The Attorney General, as provided in NRS 607.160 or
4 607.220; or
5 4. The special counsel, as provided in NRS 607.065,
6 ↳ shall prosecute the action for enforcement according to law.
7 **Sec. 3.** The provisions of this act apply to any action or
8 proceeding to recover unpaid wages pursuant to chapter 608 of NRS
9 in which a final decision has not been rendered before, on or after
10 July 1, 2017.
11 **Sec. 4.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2017.

