

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 307—ASSEMBLYMEN OSCARSON  
AND SPRINKLE

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Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing emergency medical services at special events. (BDR 40-928)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.  
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 emergency medical services; revising provisions governing emergency medical services at certain special events; requiring the host organization or certain special events to obtain a special event permit or approval in an order from the local governmental entity with jurisdiction where the special event is to be held; requiring certain host organizations of special events of certain sizes to provide for emergency medical resources at the site of the special event; authorizing a local governmental entity to require the host organization of a special event to pay reasonable fees for certain services provided by the local governmental entity; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

1 Existing law requires a host organization of a special event to provide certain  
2 emergency medical services and a certain number of dedicated advanced life  
3 support ambulances at certain special events in this State. (NRS 450B.690-  
4 450B.700) **Section 6** of this bill requires a host organization in a county whose  
5 population is 100,000 or more (currently Washoe and Clark Counties) to obtain a  
6 special event permit from the local governmental entity with jurisdiction where the  
7 special event is to be held or, if no special permit is required, approval in an order  
8 from the local governmental entity with jurisdiction where the special event is to be  
9 held. Before issuing a special event permit or order, **section 6** requires the local  
10 governmental entity to hold a hearing to make certain determinations concerning  
11 the emergency medical resources that must be made available at the special event  
12 and to establish any standards to assist the host organization to comply with such  
13 requirements. **Section 6** further requires the local governmental entity to inform the



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14 host organization of the requirements and standards and determine whether to issue  
15 the special event permit or the order of approval for the special event. The special  
16 event permit or order issued pursuant to **section 6** must also specify any emergency  
17 medical resources the host organization is required to provide and any services that  
18 the local governmental entity will provide. In addition, **section 6** authorizes the  
19 local governmental entity to require the host organization to pay a reasonable fee  
20 for processing and issuing a special event permit or order and for providing such  
21 services as specified in the special event permit or order which may include,  
22 without limitation, providing an incident commander or other person to provide  
23 services at the site of the special event.

24 **Sections 8.3 and 8.6** of this bill establish additional emergency medical  
25 resources that must be provided for certain special events that are expected to  
26 attract a certain number of people. (NRS 450B.690, 450B.700)

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

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 450B of NRS is hereby amended by adding  
2 thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 6, inclusive, of this  
3 act.

4 **Sec. 2.** *“Applicable local government” means any city,*  
5 *county or other political subdivision of this State that:*

- 6 *1. Issues a special event permit; or*  
7 *2. If no special event permit is issued, has jurisdiction over*  
8 *emergency medical services in the political subdivision or other*  
9 *entity where the special event is to be held.*

10 **Sec. 2.6.** *“Emergency medical resources” means emergency*  
11 *medical transportation, vehicles, fire apparatus, equipment and*  
12 *personnel that provide for the rendering of emergency medical*  
13 *services.*

14 **Sec. 3.** *“Emergency medical transportation” means an air*  
15 *ambulance, ambulance, dedicated advanced life support*  
16 *ambulance, fire-fighting agency or other similar service for the*  
17 *transportation of a person for the purposes of emergency medical*  
18 *services.*

19 **Sec. 4.** (Deleted by amendment.)

20 **Sec. 4.3.** *“Fire apparatus” means a vehicle designed to be*  
21 *used to assist in providing emergency medical services, including,*  
22 *without limitation, the transportation of personnel and equipment,*  
23 *supporting fire suppression efforts and the mitigation of other*  
24 *hazardous events.*

25 **Sec. 5.** *“Special event permit” means the authorization*  
26 *issued by a local government pursuant to NRS 450B.650 to*  
27 *450B.700, inclusive, and sections 2 to 6, inclusive, of this act to a*  
28 *host organization to hold a special event.*

29 **Sec. 6.** *1. In a county whose population is 100,000 or more,*  
30 *if a special event is to be held, the host organization must, before*



1 *the special event is held and in addition to any applicable*  
2 *requirements of NRS 450B.690, 450B.695 or 450B.700, obtain a*  
3 *special event permit from the local governmental entity which has*  
4 *jurisdiction where the special event is to be held or approval in an*  
5 *order from the local governmental entity which has jurisdiction*  
6 *over the emergency medical services where the special event is to*  
7 *be held if no special event permit is required.*

8 2. *Before issuing a special event permit or order pursuant to*  
9 *subsection 1, the local governmental entity with jurisdiction where*  
10 *the special event is to be held must hold a public hearing to:*

11 (a) *Determine whether the host organization is required to*  
12 *provide emergency medical resources during the special event,*  
13 *considering any special conditions which may exist; and*

14 (b) *Establish any standards to assist the host organization to*  
15 *comply with any requirements imposed relating to the provision of*  
16 *emergency medical resources.*

17 3. *During the hearing held pursuant to subsection 2, the local*  
18 *governmental entity shall:*

19 (a) *Consider the impact of the special event on emergency*  
20 *medical services in the applicable geographic area in the event of*  
21 *an unexpected demand on emergency medical transportation at*  
22 *the special event;*

23 (b) *Establish the minimum requirements for any emergency*  
24 *medical resources provided by the host organization, including,*  
25 *without limitation, any requirements for licensure or permits of*  
26 *such emergency medical resources; and*

27 (c) *Ensure that regular emergency medical services provided*  
28 *by the applicable local government, including, without limitation,*  
29 *regular emergency 911 service, are not used to meet the*  
30 *requirements for emergency medical resources during a special*  
31 *event.*

32 4. *After the hearing held pursuant to subsection 2, the local*  
33 *governmental entity shall inform the host organization of the*  
34 *requirements and standards established during the hearing and*  
35 *determine whether the host organization meets those requirements*  
36 *and is able to comply with the standards. If so, the local*  
37 *governmental entity shall issue a special event permit or order, as*  
38 *applicable, that specifies any emergency medical resources the*  
39 *host organization is required to provide during the special event*  
40 *and any services that will be provided by the applicable local*  
41 *government.*

42 5. *The local governmental entity may require the host*  
43 *organization to pay a reasonable fee for:*

44 (a) *Processing and issuing a special event permit or order*  
45 *pursuant to this section; and*



1 (b) *Providing such services at the special event as specified in*  
2 *the special event permit or order. Such services may include*  
3 *without limitation, providing an incident commander or other*  
4 *person to provide services at the site of the special event pursuant*  
5 *to NRS 450B.690 or 450B.700.*

6 **6.** *The host organization shall comply with any requirements*  
7 *and standards set forth in the special event permit or order issued*  
8 *pursuant to this section.*

9 **Sec. 7.** NRS 450B.650 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
10 450B.650 As used in NRS 450B.650 to 450B.700, inclusive,  
11 *and sections 2 to 6, inclusive, of this act,* unless the context  
12 otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in NRS 450B.655  
13 to 450B.685, inclusive, *and sections 2 to 5, inclusive, of this act*  
14 have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

15 **Sec. 8.** NRS 450B.665 is hereby amended to read as follows:

16 450B.665 “Host organization” means:

- 17 1. If a *special event* permit was obtained , ~~for a special event,~~  
18 the person who obtained the permit; or  
19 2. If a *special event* permit was not obtained , ~~for a special~~  
20 ~~event,~~ the person who sponsored the special event.

21 **Sec. 8.3.** NRS 450B.690 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22 450B.690 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection  
23 ~~{2:} 3:~~

24 (a) In a county whose population is 100,000 or more, if a special  
25 event is to be held and 2,500 or more persons but less than 10,000  
26 persons are projected to be in attendance at the event at the same  
27 time, the host organization shall provide at least one first-aid station  
28 at the site of the special event *and the local governmental entity*  
29 *with jurisdiction where the special event is to be held must provide*  
30 *an incident commander if:*

- 31 (1) The special event is a concert; or  
32 (2) Three or more of the following factors apply to the  
33 special event:

34 (I) The special event involves a high-risk activity ~~{}~~ *that*  
35 *presents an increased potential for inciting violence or causing*  
36 *injury to participants, attendees or spectators,* including, without  
37 limitation, sports or racing.

38 (II) The special event poses environmental hazards to  
39 persons attending the special event ~~for is held during a period of~~  
40 *including, without limitation, poor air quality, water or fire*  
41 *hazards and* extreme heat or cold.

42 (III) The average age of the persons attending the special  
43 event is less than 25 years of age or more than 50 years of age.

44 (IV) A large number of the persons attending the special  
45 event have acute or chronic illnesses.



1 (V) Alcohol is sold at the special event or, if the special  
2 event has been held before, there is a history of alcohol or drug use  
3 by the persons who attended the special event in the past.

4 (VI) The density of the number of persons attending the  
5 special event increases the difficulty regarding access to the persons  
6 who are attending the special event who require emergency medical  
7 care, or the transfer of those persons who require emergency  
8 medical care to an ambulance.

9 (b) In a county whose population is 100,000 or more, if the host  
10 organization meets the requirements of subparagraph (1) or (2) of  
11 paragraph (a) and 10,000 or more persons but less than 15,000  
12 persons are projected to be in attendance at the special event at the  
13 same time, the *local governmental entity with jurisdiction where*  
14 *the special event is to be held must provide an incident*  
15 *commander and the* host organization shall:

16 (1) Provide at least one first-aid station at the site of the  
17 special event and equip the first-aid station with an automated  
18 external defibrillator; and

19 (2) Provide a roving emergency medical technician team at  
20 the site of the special event.

21 (c) In a county whose population is 100,000 or more, if the host  
22 organization meets the requirements of subparagraph (1) or (2) of  
23 paragraph (a) and 15,000 or more persons but less than 50,000  
24 persons are projected to be in attendance at the special event at the  
25 same time ~~the~~:

26 (1) *The* host organization shall:

27 ~~(1)~~ (I) Provide at least one first-aid station at the site of the  
28 special event and staff the first-aid station with at least one  
29 registered nurse, licensed practical nurse or paramedic in lieu of an  
30 emergency medical technician; and

31 ~~(2)~~ (II) Provide two or more roving intermediate  
32 emergency medical technician teams at the site of the special event.

33 (2) *The local governmental entity with jurisdiction where*  
34 *the special event is to be held must provide at the site of the special*  
35 *event:*

36 (I) *At least one incident commander;*

37 (II) *At least one fire prevention inspector; and*

38 (III) *If at least three of the factors listed in paragraph*  
39 *(a) are present, a task force consisting of a combination of*  
40 *resources, with a common communication system and a*  
41 *designated leader, assembled to support the specific mission or*  
42 *operational need of the special event as defined by the local*  
43 *governmental entity.*

44 2. *An incident commander assigned to assist at the site of a*  
45 *special event pursuant to this section must have appropriate*



1 *training to oversee incidents at the special event, including,*  
2 *without limitation, emergency incidents. Such training must*  
3 *include, without limitation, training in developing strategies and*  
4 *tactics to address various situations and the appropriate use and*  
5 *management of resources.*

6 3. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply to a special  
7 event held within the boundaries of a city whose population is less  
8 than 25,000 if there is a fire-fighting agency within the city other  
9 than a volunteer fire department and the city has adopted a plan for  
10 providing emergency medical services at special events.

11 **Sec. 8.6.** NRS 450B.700 is hereby amended to read as follows:

12 450B.700 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, if  
13 a special event is to be held and 50,000 or more persons are  
14 projected to be in attendance at the event at the same time ~~f, the~~ :

15 (a) *The* host organization shall provide:

16 ~~(a)~~ (1) Two or more first-aid stations at the site of the special  
17 event;

18 ~~(b)~~ (2) Two or more physicians licensed pursuant to chapter  
19 630 or 633 of NRS who have experience providing emergency  
20 medical services;

21 ~~(c)~~ (3) Two or more roving emergency medical technician  
22 teams; and

23 ~~(d)~~ (4) Two or more dedicated advanced life support  
24 ambulances.

25 (b) *The local governmental entity with jurisdiction where the*  
26 *special event is to be held must provide at the site of the special*  
27 *event:*

28 (1) *One incident commander with the training described in*  
29 *subsection 2 of NRS 450B.690; and*

30 (2) *A task force consisting of a combination of resources,*  
31 *with a common communication system and a designated leader,*  
32 *assembled to support the specific mission or operational need of*  
33 *the special event as defined by the local governmental entity.*

34 2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply to a special  
35 event held within the limits of a city whose population is less than  
36 25,000 if there is a fire-fighting agency within the city other than a  
37 volunteer fire department and the city has adopted a plan for  
38 providing emergency medical services at special events.

39 **Sec. 9.** (Deleted by amendment.)

40 **Sec. 10.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2017.

