

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 383—ASSEMBLYMEN KIRKPATRICK
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JOINT SPONSOR: SENATOR HAMMOND

Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to drivers' licenses.
(BDR 43-743)

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 drivers' licenses; authorizing reciprocal agreements with certain other countries concerning the licensing of drivers; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

1 Existing law authorizes the Department of Motor Vehicles to issue a Nevada
2 driver's license to an applicant who has a valid driver's license from a state which
3 has requirements for the issuance of drivers' licenses which are comparable to
4 those of this State. Existing law also authorizes the Director of the Department,
5 acting as the Administrator, to enter into reciprocal agreements with the appropriate
6 officials of other states concerning the licensing of drivers of motor vehicles. (NRS
7 483.245) **Section 1** of this bill authorizes the Department to issue a Nevada driver's
8 license to an applicant who has a valid driver's license from a country which has
9 requirements for the issuance of drivers' licenses which are comparable to those of
10 this State, and authorizes the Director to enter into reciprocal agreements with the
11 appropriate officials of other countries. **Section 3** of this bill requires the Director,
12 in recognition of the 30th anniversary of the sister-state relationship between this
13 State and the Republic of China (Taiwan), to begin negotiations as soon as
14 practicable with the Director General of the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in
15 San Francisco for reciprocity in issuing drivers' licenses to: (1) residents of this
16 State who reside in the Republic of China (Taiwan); and (2) Taiwanese citizens
17 who reside in this State.



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

1 **Section 1.** NRS 483.245 is hereby amended to read as follows:
2 483.245 1. When a person becomes a resident of Nevada as
3 defined in this chapter and chapter 482 of NRS, the person must,
4 within 30 days, obtain a Nevada driver's license as a prerequisite to
5 driving any motor vehicle in the State of Nevada.

6 2. Where a person who applies for a license has a valid driver's
7 license from a state *or country* which has requirements for issuance
8 of drivers' licenses comparable to those of the State of Nevada, the
9 Department may issue a Nevada license under the same terms and
10 conditions applicable to a renewal of a license in this State.

11 3. In carrying out the provisions of this chapter, the
12 Administrator is authorized to enter into reciprocal agreements with
13 appropriate officials of other states *or countries* concerning the
14 licensing of drivers of motor vehicles.

15 **Sec. 2.** (Deleted by amendment.)

16 **Sec. 3.** The Director of the Department of Motor Vehicles, in
17 recognition of the 30th anniversary of the sister-state relationship
18 between this State and the Republic of China (Taiwan), shall, as
19 soon as practicable, begin negotiations pursuant to the authority
20 granted in section 1 of this act toward a reciprocal agreement
21 between the Department of Motor Vehicles and the Republic of
22 China (Taiwan), through the Ministry of Transportation and
23 Communications represented by the Director General of the Taipei
24 Economic and Cultural Office in San Francisco, California, for
25 reciprocity in issuing drivers' licenses to residents of this State who
26 reside in the Republic of China (Taiwan) and to Taiwanese citizens
27 who reside in this State. Any agreement negotiated pursuant to this
28 section must be in writing and signed by the Director of the
29 Department of Motor Vehicles and the Director General of the
30 Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in San Francisco, California.

31 **Sec. 4.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

