Senate Bill No. 55-Committee on Natural Resources

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AN ACT relating to firearms; revising provisions governing the carrying of a loaded rifle or shotgun in or on a vehicle which is standing or being driven on or along a public highway or other way open to the public; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Under existing law, it is unlawful to carry a loaded rifle or loaded shotgun in or on any vehicle which is standing or being driven on or along a public highway or other way open to the public. For the purposes of this prohibition, a rifle or shotgun is loaded when an unexpended cartridge or shell is in the firing chamber, but not when the only cartridges or shells are in the magazine of the rifle or shotgun. (NRS 503.165) **Section 1** of this bill sets forth the circumstances under which a muzzle-loading rifle or muzzle-loading musket is not loaded for the purposes of this prohibition.

EXPLANATION – Matter in **bolded italics** is new; matter between brackets formitted material is material to be omitted.

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

- **Section 1.** NRS 503.165 is hereby amended to read as follows: 503.165 1. It is unlawful to carry a loaded rifle or loaded shotgun in or on any vehicle which is standing on or along, or is being driven on or along, any public highway or any other way open to the public.
 - 2. For the purposes of this section:
- (a) A rifle or shotgun is loaded [, for the purposes of this section,] when there is an unexpended cartridge or shell in the firing chamber, but not when the only cartridges or shells are in the magazine.
- (b) A muzzle-loading rifle or muzzle-loading musket is not loaded if the priming compound or element, including, without limitation, the priming powder or the unfired primer or percussion cap, is removed from the muzzle-loading rifle or muzzle-loading musket.
- 3. The provisions of this section do not apply to paraplegics, persons with one or both legs amputated or who have suffered a paralysis of one or both legs which severely impedes walking, or peace officers and members of the Armed Forces of this State or the United States while on duty or going to or returning from duty.



Sec. 2. This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

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