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Office of the Governor

June 11, 2015

The Honorable Barbara Cegavske
Nevada Secretary of State
101 South Carson Street
Carson City, NV 89701

RE: Assembly Bill 326 of the 78th Legislative Session

Dear Secretary of State Cegavske:

I am forwarding to you, for filing within the time limit set forth in the Nevada Constitution and without my approval, Assembly Bill 326, which is entitled:

AN ACT relating to motor vehicle registration; revising provisions relating to the requirements for certain special license plates; prohibiting the Department of Motor Vehicles from issuing certain special license plates for a certain period; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Assembly Bill 326 revises requirements for the issuance of special license plates inscribed with the words "Old Timer," "Street Rod," "Classic Rod," or "Classic Vehicle," and further prohibits the issuance of those same plates from July 1, 2015, until July 1, 2017.

Although the bill has merit in that it attempts to curb the abuse of these special plates by individuals purely seeking to avoid emissions testing and fees, issuing a two-year moratorium on these plates unnecessarily penalizes true Nevada car enthusiasts who might seek one of these plates for proper reasons. This heavy-handed approach is opposed by the Specialty Equipment Market Association, known for its annual trade show in Las Vegas, as well as Hot August Nights, whose members and affiliates would be unfairly punished by this measure.

Assembly Bill 146, passed by the Nevada Legislature this Session and signed into law on June 8, 2015, allows for the State Environmental Commission to review alleged abuses of these special license plates, study and make recommendations regarding Nevada's emissions testing program. This approach is appropriate and commensurate

with the problem at hand; the approach of Assembly Bill 326 is not. Therefore, I veto this bill and return it without my signature or approval.

Sincere regards,



BRIAN SANDOVAL
Governor

Enclosure

cc: *Honorable Senate President Mark Hutchison (without enclosure)*
Honorable Senate Majority Leader Michael Roberson (without enclosure)
Honorable Senate Minority Leader Aaron Ford (without enclosure)
Honorable Assembly Speaker John Hambrick (without enclosure)
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