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tion for a new trial based on newly discovered evidence by requiring that the motion be made within two years after the verdict or finding of guilt.<sup>10</sup>

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10. NEV. REV. STAT. §176.515(3) (amended by 1983 Nev. Stat. c. 571, §2, at 1671). Compare *id.* 176.515(3) (amended by 1983 Nev. Stat. c. 571, §2, at 1671) with 1967 Nev. Stat. c. 523, §280, at 1443 (enacting NEV. REV. STAT. §176.515).

### **Criminal Procedure; juries—time for demand, reduction in size**

NEV. REV. STAT. §§175.011, 175.021 (amended).  
SB 211 (Committee on Judiciary); 1983 STAT. Ch 307

Prior to the enactment of Chapter 307, a defendant in a justice's court<sup>1</sup> was entitled to a jury trial if a written demand was submitted at least five days prior to trial.<sup>2</sup> Chapter 307 revises this provision by requiring that the written demand be made not less than thirty days before trial.<sup>3</sup> In addition, existing law provides that juries consist of twelve jurors unless the parties stipulate otherwise.<sup>4</sup> Prior law held that upon approval of the court, the parties could stipulate in writing that the jury consist of any number less than twelve.<sup>5</sup> Chapter 307 mandates that the jury must not be comprised of fewer than six jurors.<sup>6</sup> In addition, Chapter 307 provides that juries for the trial of a criminal action in a justice's court must consist of six jurors.<sup>7</sup>

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1. See NEV. REV. STAT. §4.370 (jurisdiction of justice court).

2. See 1967 Nev. Stat. c. 523, §174(2), at 1424 (enacting NEV. REV. STAT. §175.011 (2)).

3. NEV. REV. STAT. §175.011(2) (amended by 1983 Nev. Stat. c. 307, §1(2), at 749).

4. *Id.* §175.021(2).

5. 1967 Nev. Stat. c. 523, §175(2), at 1424. This stipulation could be made at any time before the verdict. *Id.*

6. NEV. REV. STAT. §175.021(2) (amended by 1983 Nev. Stat. c. 307, §2(2), at 749).

7. See *id.* §175.021(3) (amended by 1983 Nev. Stat. c. 307, §2(3), at 749); see also Lehman, *Reducing Size of Juries—Is it a Blow to Liberty?*, L.A. Daily J., June 12, 1980, at 4, col. 2.

### **Criminal Procedure; contempt of court**

NEV. REV. STAT. §22.010, 22.020 (amended).  
SB 385 (Foley); 1983 STAT. Ch 350

Existing law specifies the acts or omissions constituting contempt of court.<sup>1</sup> Under Chapter 350 acts punishable as contempt of court will

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1. NEV. REV. STAT. §22.010.