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LEGISLATIVE BILL 315

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Committee:

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to relating to public health and welfare; to
- 2 prohibit providers of services relating to examination or treatment
- 3 of injuries arising from sexual assault, domestic assault, and child
- 4 abuse from taking actions relating to victims' debts for such
- 5 services.
- 6 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. (1) A health care provider, an emergency medical
2 services provider, a laboratory, or a pharmacy providing medical
3 services, transportation, medications, or other services related to the
4 examination or treatment of injuries arising out of sexual assault as
5 defined in section 29-4309, domestic assault under section 28-323, or
6 child abuse under section 28-707 shall not:

7 (a) Refer a bill for such services to a collection agency or an
8 attorney for collection against the victim or the victim's guardian or
9 family;

10 (b) Distribute information regarding such services and status of
11 payment in any way that would affect the credit rating of the victim or
12 the victim's guardian or family;

13 (c) Take any other action adverse to the victim or the victim's
14 guardian or family on account of providing such services.

15 (2) This section shall not be construed to prevent an entity
16 described in subsection (1) of this section from otherwise seeking
17 payment for such services from the victim or any other source.