

Assembly Bill No. 119—Assemblywomen Thomas, Monroe-Moreno, Summers-Armstrong, Brittney Miller, Titus; Anderson, Benitez-Thompson, Bilbray-Axelrod, Carlton, Cohen, Considine, González, Gorelow, Krasner, Marzola, Nguyen and Peters

Joint Sponsors: Senators Neal,
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AN ACT relating to maternal health; revising the duties of the Maternal Mortality Review Committee; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

Existing law establishes the Maternal Mortality Review Committee and requires the Committee to perform certain duties relating to studying and recommending measures to reduce maternal mortality. (NRS 442.751-442.774) This bill requires the Committee, within the limits of available resources, to: (1) identify and review disparities in the incidence of maternal mortality in this State; and (2) include a summary of those disparities in the report required by existing law to be submitted to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to each regular session of the Legislature. This bill also requires the Maternal Mortality Review Committee to collaborate with the Advisory Committee of the Office of Minority Health and Equity of the Department of Health and Human Services in the development of the report.

EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted 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 442.767 is hereby amended to read as follows:
442.767 1. The Committee shall:

(a) Identify and review each incident of maternal mortality in this State, regardless of the cause of death. Such a review must include, without limitation and to the extent that such records exist, a review of relevant medical records, birth and death certificates, records of an autopsy, records created by a medical facility or provider of emergency medical services, records of a social services agency, mental health records and records of a law enforcement agency described in NRS 442.774.

(b) Use the Maternal Mortality Review Information Application developed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention of the United States Department of Health and Human Services or, if that



application ceases to exist, a similar application designated by the Director, to conduct reviews pursuant to paragraph (a).

(c) Within the limits of available resources ~~[-review]~~:

(1) *Review* incidents and trends in severe maternal morbidity in this State.

(2) *Identify and review disparities in the incidence of maternal mortality in this State by analyzing:*

(I) *The race, ethnicity and age of mothers who experience maternal mortality;*

(II) *The geographic region of the residence of mothers who experience maternal mortality; and*

(III) *Any other variables identified by the Committee.*

(d) Based on the reviews conducted pursuant to paragraphs (a) and (c), develop recommendations to prevent maternal mortality and severe maternal morbidity and disseminate findings and recommendations to providers of health care, medical facilities, other interested persons and entities and the public.

(e) On or before April 1 of each year, compile and publish on an Internet website operated by the Department a report that consists of data concerning maternal mortality and severe maternal morbidity in this State during the immediately preceding year. Such data must be aggregated and presented in a manner that does not allow for the identification of any person.

(f) On or before December 31 of each even-numbered year and in collaboration with the *Advisory Committee of the Office of Minority Health and Equity of the Department and the* Chief Medical Officer, develop and submit to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the next regular session of the Legislature a report that includes, without limitation:

(1) A description of the incidents of maternal mortality and severe maternal morbidity reviewed pursuant to ~~[paragraphs]~~ *paragraph (a) and subparagraph (1) of paragraph (c)*, respectively, during the immediately preceding 24 months, provided in a manner that does not allow for the identification of any person;

(2) *A summary of the disparities identified and reviewed pursuant to subparagraph (2) of paragraph (c);*

(3) Plans for corrective action to reduce maternal mortality and severe maternal morbidity in this State; and

~~[(3)]~~ (4) Recommendations for any legislation or other changes to policy to reduce maternal mortality and severe maternal morbidity or otherwise improve the delivery of health care in this State.



2. *The Advisory Committee of the Office of Minority Health and Equity may not access any information deemed as confidential pursuant to NRS 442.774 while collaborating with the Committee in the development of the report pursuant to paragraph (f) of subsection 1.*

3. As used in this section, “medical facility” has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 449.0151.

Sec. 2. The provisions of subsection 1 of NRS 218D.380 do not apply to any provision of this act which adds or revises a requirement to submit a report to the Legislature.

Sec. 3. This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.



