ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 238–COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

(ON BEHALF OF THE JOINT INTERIM STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES)

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Establishes provisions relating to commercially sexually exploited children. (BDR 38-323)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact. Effect on the State: Yes.

CONTAINS UNFUNDED MANDATE (§§ 3, 13, 23-25) (NOT REQUESTED BY AFFECTED LOCAL GOVERNMENT)

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

AN ACT relating to child welfare; requiring certain persons who interact with children as part of their employment to receive training concerning the identification of and assistance to commercially sexually exploited children and children who are at risk of being commercially sexually exploited; providing for the appointment of a multidisciplinary team to review the case of commercially sexually exploited child; prescribing the membership and duties of such a team; requiring the establishment of the Executive Committee to Review the Cases of Commercially Sexually Exploited Children; prescribing the membership and duties of the Executive Committee; prohibiting the placement of a child in a state or local facility for the detention of children under certain circumstances; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law requires an employee of a foster home, certain child care facilities, an agency which provides child welfare services, a juvenile justice institution or agency, a state facility for the detention of children or certain mental health





facilities who has direct contact with children, a school district and school personnel, the administrator of a public school, a member of the State Board of Education or a school police officer to receive training in certain matters relating to the well-being of children. (NRS 62B.250, 63.190, 388.1342, 388.2565, 391.281, 424.0365, 432A.177, 432B.195, 433B.175) **Sections 1-3, 5, 6, 13, 15-21, 23-27, 30 and 32** of this bill require all such persons, as well as certain attorneys and other persons who work with children or on cases involving children and teachers and certain other staff at a school to receive training concerning the identification of and assistance to commercially sexually exploited children and children who are at risk of being commercially sexually exploited. **Sections 28 and 31** of this bill make conforming changes to indicate the proper placement of **sections 27 and 30** in the Nevada Revised Statutes.

Existing law makes it a gross misdemeanor to violate provisions of law governing private schools unless another penalty is specifically provided. (NRS 394.610) **Section 30** of this bill provides that it is instead a misdemeanor to violate the requirements for training concerning the identification of and assistance to commercially sexually exploited children and children who are at risk of being

commercially sexually exploited, as applicable to private schools.

Existing law: (1) requires the director or other authorized representative of an agency which provides child welfare services to organize one or more multidisciplinary teams to investigate the death of a child under certain circumstances; and (2) authorizes the director or other authorized representative of an agency which provides child welfare services to appoint and organize one or more multidisciplinary teams to investigate any other death of a child. (NRS 432B.405) Existing law authorizes such a multidisciplinary team to access and share certain records relating to the child whose death the team is investigating. (NRS 432B.407) Section 9 of this bill authorizes the director or other authorized representative of an agency which provides child welfare services or other local governmental agency to appoint and organize one or more multidisciplinary teams to review the case of a commercially sexually exploited child who is located within the jurisdiction of the agency or who is a resident of that jurisdiction and has been trafficked outside of that jurisdiction. Section 8 of this bill defines the term "multidisciplinary team" to refer to such a team. **Section 9** requires, when possible, that such a multidisciplinary team consist of representatives of certain governmental entities involved in child welfare, criminal justice and education, a provider of physical or mental health care and any other members deemed appropriate by the multidisciplinary team. Section 10 of this bill requires such a multidisciplinary team to review, assess and analyze the case of a commercially sexually exploited child, ensure a coordinated response to the case and make recommendations to better prevent and respond to such cases. Section 10 authorizes a multidisciplinary team to take other actions to support the safety and well-being of commercially sexually exploited children and to prevent the commercial sexual exploitation of children in the future. Sections 4, 11 and 29 of this bill authorize an organization represented on a multidisciplinary team, including an agency which provides child welfare services, to share with other members of the team certain information concerning a case being reviewed by the multidisciplinary team. Sections 11 and 22 of this bill provide that, with certain exceptions, the information and records of a multidisciplinary team are confidential. Section 11 provides that, except in certain circumstances, a member of a multidisciplinary team who discloses the information or records of a multidisciplinary team is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.

Existing law requires the Administrator of the Division of Child and Family Services of the Department of Health and Human Services to establish an Executive Committee to Review the Death of Children. Existing law requires the Executive Committee to adopt statewide protocols for the review of the death of a



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child and regulations concerning such reviews, oversee the training and development of multidisciplinary teams to review such deaths and perform certain other related duties. (NRS 432B.409) **Section 12** of this bill similarly requires: (1) the Administrator to establish an Executive Committee to Review the Cases of Commercially Sexually Exploited Children; and (2) the Executive Committee to perform duties similar to those of the Executive Committee to Review the Death of Children, but relating to reviews of cases of the commercial sexual exploitation of children.

If there is reasonable cause to believe that a child has been commercially sexually exploited, existing law prohibits placing the child in a state or local facility for the detention of children if the child is alleged to have violated: (1) state laws prohibiting trespassing, being a minor in a gaming establishment or obstructing a law enforcement officer; or (2) a county or municipal ordinance imposing a curfew on a child or prohibiting jaywalking or loitering for the purpose of solicitation for prostitution. (NRS 62C.015) Section 14 of this bill additionally prohibits the placement of a child in a state or local facility for the detention of children if there is reasonable cause to believe that the child has been commercially sexually exploited and the child is alleged to have violated: (1) state law or a county or municipal ordinance prohibiting the preparation, transfer or use of false identification; or (2) a county or municipal ordinance prohibiting trespassing, being a minor in a gaming establishment or obstructing a law enforcement officer.

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

Section 1. NRS 424.0365 is hereby amended to read as follows:

424.0365 1. A licensee that operates a family foster home, a specialized foster home, an independent living foster home or a group foster home shall ensure that each employee who comes into direct contact with children in the home receives training within 90 days after employment and annually thereafter. Such training must be approved by the licensing authority and include, without limitation, instruction concerning:

- (a) Controlling the behavior of children;
- (b) Policies and procedures concerning the use of force and restraint on children;
 - (c) The rights of children in the home;
 - (d) Suicide awareness and prevention;
 - (e) The administration of medication to children;
- (f) Applicable state and federal constitutional and statutory rights of children in the home;
- (g) Policies and procedures concerning other matters affecting the health, welfare, safety and civil and other rights of children in the home;
 - (h) Working with lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning children; [and]





- (i) Identifying and assisting commercially sexually exploited children and children who are at risk of commercial sexual exploitation, including, without limitation, complying with the provisions of NRS 432C.110; and
- (j) Such other matters as required by the licensing authority or pursuant to regulations of the Division.
- 2. The Division shall adopt regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.
- 3. As used in this section, "commercial sexual exploitation" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.050.
 - **Sec. 2.** NRS 432A.177 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 432A.177 1. A licensee that operates a child care facility which occasionally or regularly has physical custody of children pursuant to the order of a court, including, without limitation, an emergency shelter, shall ensure that each employee who comes into direct contact with children in the facility receives training within 90 days after employment and annually thereafter. Such training must be approved by the licensing authority and include, without limitation, instruction concerning:
 - (a) Controlling the behavior of children;
- (b) Policies and procedures concerning the use of force and restraint on children;
 - (c) The rights of children in the facility;
 - (d) Suicide awareness and prevention;
 - (e) The administration of medication to children;
- (f) Applicable state and federal constitutional and statutory rights of children in the facility;
- (g) Policies and procedures concerning other matters affecting the health, welfare, safety and civil and other rights of children in the facility;
- (h) Working with lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning children; [and]
- (i) Identifying and assisting commercially sexually exploited children and children who are at risk of commercial sexual exploitation, including, without limitation, complying with the provisions of NRS 432C.110; and
 - (j) Such other matters as required by the Board.
- 2. The Board shall adopt regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.
 - 3. As used in this section:
- (a) "Commercial sexual exploitation" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.050.
- (b) "Commercially sexually exploited child" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.060.





- **Sec. 3.** NRS 432B.195 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 432B.195 1. An agency which provides child welfare services shall provide training to each person who is employed by the agency and who provides child welfare services. Such training must include, without limitation, instruction concerning the applicable state and federal constitutional and statutory rights of a person who is responsible for a child's welfare and who is:
- (a) The subject of an investigation of alleged abuse or neglect of a child; or
- (b) A party to a proceeding concerning the alleged abuse or neglect of a child pursuant to NRS 432B.410 to 432B.590, inclusive.
- 2. In addition to the training provided pursuant to subsection 1, an agency which provides child welfare services shall ensure that each employee of the agency who comes into direct contact with children receives, within 90 days after employment and annually thereafter, training concerning [working]:
- (a) Working with lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning children [.]; and
- (b) Identifying and assisting commercially sexually exploited children and children who are at risk of commercial sexual exploitation, including, without limitation, complying with the provisions of NRS 432C.110 and 432C.120.
- 3. Nothing in this section shall be construed as requiring or authorizing a person who is employed by an agency which provides child welfare services to offer legal advice, legal assistance or legal interpretation of state or federal statutes or laws.
 - 4. As used in this section:
- (a) "Commercial sexual exploitation" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.050.
- (b) "Commercially sexually exploited child" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.060.
 - **Sec. 4.** NRS 432B.290 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 432B.290 1. Information maintained by an agency which provides child welfare services must be maintained by the agency which provides child welfare services as required by federal law as a condition of the allocation of federal money to this State.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in this section and NRS 432B.165, 432B.175 and 432B.513, information maintained by an agency which provides child welfare services may, at the discretion of the agency which provides child welfare services, be made available only to:
- (a) A physician, if the physician has before him or her a child who the physician has reasonable cause to believe has been abused or neglected;





- (b) A person authorized to place a child in protective custody, if the person has before him or her a child who the person has reasonable cause to believe has been abused or neglected and the person requires the information to determine whether to place the child in protective custody;
- (c) An agency, including, without limitation, an agency in another jurisdiction, responsible for or authorized to undertake the care, treatment or supervision of:
 - (1) The child; or

- (2) The person responsible for the welfare of the child;
- (d) A district attorney or other law enforcement officer who requires the information in connection with an investigation or prosecution of the abuse or neglect of a child;
- (e) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (f), a court other than a juvenile court, for in camera inspection only, unless the court determines that public disclosure of the information is necessary for the determination of an issue before it:
- (f) A court, as defined in NRS 159A.015, to determine whether a guardian or successor guardian of a child should be appointed pursuant to chapter 159A of NRS or NRS 432B.466 to 432B.468, inclusive:
- (g) A person engaged in bona fide research or an audit, but information identifying the subjects of a report must not be made available to the person;
- (h) The attorney and the guardian ad litem of the child, if the information is reasonably necessary to promote the safety, permanency and well-being of the child;
- (i) A person who files or intends to file a petition for the appointment of a guardian or successor guardian of a child pursuant to chapter 159A of NRS or NRS 432B.466 to 432B.468, inclusive, if the identity of the person responsible for reporting the abuse or neglect of the child to a public agency is kept confidential and the information is reasonably necessary to promote the safety, permanency and well-being of the child;
- (j) The proposed guardian or proposed successor guardian of a child over whom a guardianship is sought pursuant to chapter 159A of NRS or NRS 432B.466 to 432B.468, inclusive, if the identity of the person responsible for reporting the abuse or neglect of the child to a public agency is kept confidential and the information is reasonably necessary to promote the safety, permanency and wellbeing of the child;
- (k) A grand jury upon its determination that access to these records and the information is necessary in the conduct of its official business;





- (1) A federal, state or local governmental entity, or an agency of such an entity, or a juvenile court, that needs access to the information to carry out its legal responsibilities to protect children from abuse and neglect;
- (m) A person or an organization that has entered into a written agreement with an agency which provides child welfare services to provide assessments or services and that has been trained to make such assessments or provide such services;
- (n) A team organized pursuant to NRS 432B.350 for the protection of a child;
- (o) A team organized pursuant to NRS 432B.405 to review the death of a child [;] or section 9 of this act to review the case of a commercially sexually exploited child;
 - (p) A multidisciplinary team, as defined in NRS 432B.4014;
- (q) A parent or legal guardian of the child and an attorney of a parent or guardian of the child, including, without limitation, the parent or guardian of a child over whom a guardianship is sought pursuant to chapter 159A of NRS or NRS 432B.466 to 432B.468, inclusive, if the identity of the person responsible for reporting the abuse or neglect of the child to a public agency is kept confidential and the information is reasonably necessary to promote the safety, permanency and well-being of the child and is limited to information concerning that parent or guardian;
- (r) The child over whom a guardianship is sought pursuant to chapter 159A of NRS or NRS 432B.466 to 432B.468, inclusive, if:
 - (1) The child is 14 years of age or older; and
- (2) The identity of the person responsible for reporting the abuse or neglect of the child to a public agency is kept confidential and the information is reasonably necessary to promote the safety, permanency and well-being of the child;
- (s) The persons or agent of the persons who are the subject of a report, if the information is reasonably necessary to promote the safety, permanency and well-being of the child and is limited to information concerning those persons;
- (t) An agency that is authorized by law to license foster homes or facilities for children or to investigate persons applying for approval to adopt a child, if the agency has before it an application for that license or is investigating an applicant to adopt a child;
- (u) Upon written consent of the parent, any officer of this State or a city or county thereof or Legislator authorized by the agency or department having jurisdiction or by the Legislature, acting within its jurisdiction, to investigate the activities or programs of an agency which provides child welfare services if:
- (1) The identity of the person making the report is kept confidential; and





- (2) The officer, Legislator or a member of the family of the officer or Legislator is not the person alleged to have committed the abuse or neglect;
- (v) The Division of Parole and Probation of the Department of Public Safety for use pursuant to NRS 176.135 in making a presentence investigation and report to the district court or pursuant to NRS 176.151 in making a general investigation and report;
- (w) Any person who is required pursuant to NRS 432B.220 to make a report to an agency which provides child welfare services or to a law enforcement agency;
- (x) A local advisory board to expedite proceedings for the placement of children created pursuant to NRS 432B.604;
- (y) The panel established pursuant to NRS 432B.396 to evaluate agencies which provide child welfare services;
- (z) An employer in accordance with subsection 3 of NRS 432.100;
- (aa) A team organized or sponsored pursuant to NRS 217.475 or 228.495 to review the death of the victim of a crime that constitutes domestic violence;
- (bb) The Committee on Domestic Violence appointed pursuant to NRS 228.470; or
- (cc) The Committee to Review Suicide Fatalities created by NRS 439.5104.
- 3. An agency investigating a report of the abuse or neglect of a child shall, upon request, provide to a person named in the report as allegedly causing the abuse or neglect of the child:
 - (a) A copy of:

- (1) Any statement made in writing to an investigator for the agency by the person named in the report as allegedly causing the abuse or neglect of the child; or
- (2) Any recording made by the agency of any statement made orally to an investigator for the agency by the person named in the report as allegedly causing the abuse or neglect of the child; or
- (b) A written summary of the allegations made against the person who is named in the report as allegedly causing the abuse or neglect of the child. The summary must not identify the person responsible for reporting the alleged abuse or neglect or any collateral sources and reporting parties.
- 4. Except as otherwise provided by subsection 6, before releasing any information maintained by an agency which provides child welfare services pursuant to this section, an agency which provides child welfare services shall take whatever precautions it determines are reasonably necessary to protect the identity and safety of any person who reports child abuse or neglect and to protect any other person if the agency which provides child welfare





services reasonably believes that disclosure of the information would cause a specific and material harm to an investigation of the alleged abuse or neglect of a child or the life or safety of any person.

- 5. The provisions of this section must not be construed to require an agency which provides child welfare services to disclose information maintained by the agency which provides child welfare services if, after consultation with the attorney who represents the agency, the agency determines that such disclosure would cause a specific and material harm to a criminal investigation.
- A person who is the subject of a report of child abuse or neglect made pursuant to this chapter that is assigned a disposition other than substantiated pursuant to NRS 432B.305 and who believes that the report was made in bad faith or with malicious intent may petition a district court to order the agency which provides child welfare services to release information maintained by the agency which provides child welfare services. The petition must specifically set forth the reasons supporting the belief that the report was made in bad faith or with malicious intent. The petitioner shall provide notice to the agency which provides child welfare services so that the agency may participate in the action through its counsel. The district court shall review the information which the petitioner requests to be released and the petitioner shall be allowed to present evidence in support of the petition. If the court determines that there is a reasonable question of fact as to whether the report was made in bad faith or with malicious intent and that the disclosure of the identity of the person who made the report would not be likely to endanger the life or safety of the person who made the report, the court shall provide a copy of the information to the petitioner and the original information is subject to discovery in a subsequent civil action regarding the making of the report.
- 7. If an agency which provides child welfare services receives any information that is deemed confidential by law, the agency which provides child welfare services shall maintain the confidentiality of the information as prescribed by applicable law.
- 8. Pursuant to this section, a person may authorize the release of information maintained by an agency which provides child welfare services about himself or herself, but may not waive the confidentiality of such information concerning any other person.
- 9. An agency which provides child welfare services may provide a summary of the outcome of an investigation of the alleged abuse or neglect of a child to the person who reported the suspected abuse or neglect.
- 10. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, any person who is provided with information maintained by an agency which provides child welfare services and who further disseminates the



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information or makes the information public is guilty of a gross misdemeanor. This subsection does not apply to:

- (a) A district attorney or other law enforcement officer who uses the information solely for the purpose of initiating legal proceedings;
- (b) An employee of the Division of Parole and Probation of the Department of Public Safety making a presentence investigation and report to the district court pursuant to NRS 176.135 or making a general investigation and report pursuant to NRS 176.151; or
- (c) An employee of a juvenile justice agency who provides the information to the juvenile court.
- 11. An agency which provides child welfare services may charge a fee for processing costs reasonably necessary to prepare information maintained by the agency which provides child welfare services for release pursuant to this section.
- 12. An agency which provides child welfare services shall adopt rules, policies or regulations to carry out the provisions of this section.
- 13. As used in this section, "juvenile justice agency" means the Youth Parole Bureau or a director of juvenile services.
 - **Sec. 5.** NRS 432B.420 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 432B.420 1. A parent or other person responsible for the welfare of a child who is alleged to have abused or neglected the child may be represented by an attorney at all stages of any proceedings under NRS 432B.410 to 432B.590, inclusive. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, if the person is indigent, the court may appoint an attorney to represent the person.
- 2. A child who is alleged to have been abused or neglected shall be deemed to be a party to any proceedings under NRS 432B.410 to 432B.590, inclusive. The court shall appoint an attorney to represent the child. The child must be represented by an attorney at all stages of any proceedings held pursuant to NRS 432B.410 to 432B.590, inclusive. The attorney representing the child has the same authority and rights as an attorney representing any other party to the proceedings.
- 3. If the court determines that the parent of an Indian child for whom protective custody is sought is indigent, the court:
 - (a) Shall appoint an attorney to represent the parent; and
- (b) May apply to the Secretary of the Interior for the payment of the fees and expenses of such an attorney,
- ⇒ as provided in the Indian Child Welfare Act.
- 4. Each attorney, other than an attorney compensated through a program for legal aid described in NRS 19.031 and 247.305, if appointed under the provisions of subsection 1 or 2, is entitled to the same compensation and payment for expenses from the county as





provided in NRS 7.125 and 7.135 for an attorney appointed to represent a person charged with a crime.

- 5. Each attorney appointed under the provisions of this section must have received training approved by the court on identifying and assisting commercially sexually exploited children and children who are at risk of commercial sexual exploitation. Such training must include, without limitation, complying with the provisions of NRS 432C.110 and 432C.120.
 - 6. As used in this section:

- (a) "Commercial sexual exploitation" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.050.
- (b) "Commercially sexually exploited child" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.060.
 - **Sec. 6.** NRS 432B.505 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 432B.505 1. To qualify for appointment as a guardian ad litem pursuant to NRS 432B.500 in a judicial district that includes a county whose population is less than 100,000, a special advocate must complete an initial 12 hours of specialized training and, annually thereafter, complete 6 hours of specialized training. The training must be approved by the court and include information regarding:
 - (a) The dynamics of the abuse and neglect of children;
- (b) Factors to consider in determining the best interests of a child, including planning for the permanent placement of the child;
- (c) The interrelationships between the family system, legal process and system of child welfare;
 - (d) Skills in mediation and negotiation;
 - (e) Federal, state and local laws affecting children;
 - (f) Cultural, ethnic and gender-specific issues;
 - (g) Domestic violence;
- (h) Resources and services available in the community for children in need of protection;
 - (i) Child development;
 - (j) Standards for guardians ad litem;
 - (k) Confidentiality issues; [and]
- (1) Identifying and assisting commercially sexually exploited children and children who are at risk of commercial sexual exploitation, including, without limitation, complying with the provisions of NRS 432C.110; and
 - (m) Such other topics as the court deems appropriate.
- 2. To qualify for appointment as a guardian ad litem pursuant to NRS 432B.500 in a judicial district that does not include a county whose population is less than 100,000, a special advocate must [bel]:





- (a) Be qualified pursuant to the standards for training of the National Court Appointed Special Advocate Association or its successor. If such an Association ceases to exist, the court shall determine the standards for training.
- (b) Complete training approved by the court on identifying and assisting commercially sexually exploited children and children who are at risk of commercial sexual exploitation. Such training must include, without limitation, complying with the provisions of NRS 432C.110.
 - 3. As used in this section:

- (a) "Commercial sexual exploitation" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.050.
- (b) "Commercially sexually exploited child" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.060.
- **Sec. 7.** Chapter 432C of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 8 to 12, inclusive, of this act.
- Sec. 8. As used in sections 8 to 12, inclusive, of this act, unless the context otherwise requires, "multidisciplinary team" means a multidisciplinary team to review the case of a commercially sexually exploited child established pursuant to section 9 of this act.
- Sec. 9. 1. The director or other authorized representative of an agency which provides child welfare services or other relevant agency of local government may appoint and organize one or more multidisciplinary teams to review the case of a commercially sexually exploited child who is located within the jurisdiction of the agency or who is a resident of that jurisdiction and has been trafficked outside of that jurisdiction.
- 2. When possible, a multidisciplinary team reviewing the case of a commercially sexually exploited child must consist of:
- (a) A representative of the agency which provides child welfare services;
- (b) A representative of the office of the district attorney of the county where the child is located or resides, as applicable;
- (c) A representative of the local law enforcement agency having jurisdiction over the case;
- (d) A representative of the school district or school in which the commercially sexually exploited child is enrolled or, if the child is not enrolled in a school, a representative of the school district in the county where the child is located or resides, as applicable;
- (e) A person who professionally provides physical or mental health care to commercially sexually exploited children;





- (f) A representative of an agency of local government, other than those described in paragraphs (a) to (d), inclusive, that provides support for the needs of commercially sexually exploited children; and
- (g) Any other members that a majority of the multidisciplinary team deems appropriate to assist in the review or provision of a coordinated response to the commercially sexually exploited child.

Sec. 10. 1. A multidisciplinary team shall:

- (a) Review the records of a case of a commercially sexually exploited child;
 - (b) Assess and analyze the case;

- (c) Ensure a coordinated response that meets the needs of the child throughout the criminal justice process and the process of arranging for and providing services to the child; and
- (d) Make recommendations to appropriate federal, state and local governmental entities and other appropriate persons and entities to improve laws, policies and practices to better prevent and respond to cases of commercially sexually exploited children.
- 2. A multidisciplinary team may take any other action for the purpose of:
- (a) Supporting the safety and well-being of commercially sexually exploited children and preventing the revictimization of such children; or
- (b) Preventing the commercial sexual exploitation of children in the future.
- Sec. 11. 1. To the extent authorized by federal law, each organization represented on a multidisciplinary team may share with other members of the team information in its possession concerning the commercially sexually exploited child who is the subject of the review conducted pursuant to section 10 of this act, any siblings of the child, any person who is responsible for the welfare of the child and any other information deemed by the organization to be pertinent to the review. Such information may include, without limitation:
- (a) Information from a law enforcement agency related to the investigation of the case of commercial sexual exploitation;
- (b) Medical information or mental health information of the child;
- (c) Information concerning social or rehabilitative services or other services provided by a social services agency to the child or the family of the child;
 - (d) The educational information of the child;
- (e) Any information relating to the interaction of the child with the juvenile justice system, including, without limitation, any diversionary services to which the child has been referred; and





- (f) Any relevant information from an agency which provides child welfare services.
- 2. Where possible, before sharing information concerning a child pursuant to subsection I, an organization represented on a multidisciplinary team shall seek the written permission of the legal custodian of the child or another person primarily responsible for the welfare of the child. Failure to obtain such written permission, including, without limitation, because the legal custodian or other person refused to provide such permission, does not prohibit the sharing of the information, except where such written permission is required by federal law.
- 3. A multidisciplinary team may use data collected concerning a commercially sexually exploited child for the purpose of research or to prevent the future commercial sexual exploitation of children if the data is aggregated and does not allow for the identification of any person.
- 4. Except as otherwise provided in this section, information acquired by, and the records of, a multidisciplinary team are confidential, must not be disclosed, and are not subject to subpoena, discovery or introduction into evidence in any civil or criminal proceeding.
- 5. In addition to the sharing of information pursuant to subsection 1, a member of or organization represented on a multidisciplinary team may, to the extent authorized by federal law, disclose information or records described in subsection 4 for the purposes of:
- (a) A criminal investigation of or criminal proceeding against a person for the commercial sexual exploitation of a child; or
- (b) Compliance with the requirements of NRS 392.303 or 432B.220.
- 6. A member of a multidisciplinary team who discloses information or records in violation of subsection 4 is guilty of a gross misdemeanor.
- Sec. 12. 1. The Administrator of the Division of Child and Family Services of the Department of Health and Human Services shall establish an Executive Committee to Review the Cases of Commercially Sexually Exploited Children, consisting of:
- (a) Representatives from multidisciplinary teams and the Office of the Attorney General.
- (b) Administrators of agencies which provide child welfare services and agencies responsible for mental health and public safety, to the extent that such administrators are not already appointed pursuant to paragraph (a).
 - 2. The Executive Committee shall:





- (a) Adopt statewide protocols for the review of cases of commercially sexually exploited children;
- (b) Adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of sections 8 to 12, inclusive, of this act;
- (c) Adopt bylaws to govern the management and operation of the Executive Committee;
- (d) Oversee the training and development of multidisciplinary teams; and
- (e) Compile and distribute a statewide annual report, including statistics and recommendations for regulatory and policy changes.
 - **Sec. 13.** NRS 62B.250 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 62B.250 1. A public or private institution or agency to which a juvenile court commits a child, including, without limitation, a facility for the detention of children, shall ensure that each employee who comes into direct contact with children who are in custody receives training within 90 days after employment and annually thereafter. Such training must be approved by the Division of Child and Family Services and include, without limitation, instruction concerning:
 - (a) Controlling the behavior of children;
- (b) Policies and procedures concerning the use of force and restraint on children;
 - (c) The rights of children in the institution or agency;
 - (d) Suicide awareness and prevention;
 - (e) The administration of medication to children;
- (f) Applicable state and federal constitutional and statutory rights of children in the institution or agency;
- (g) Policies and procedures concerning other matters affecting the health, welfare, safety and civil and other rights of children in the institution or agency;
- (h) Working with gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and questioning children; [and]
- (i) Identifying and assisting commercially sexually exploited children and children who are at risk of commercial sexual exploitation, including, without limitation, complying with the provisions of NRS 432C.110; and
- (j) Such other matters as required by the Division of Child and Family Services.
- 2. The Division of Child and Family Services shall adopt regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.
 - 3. As used in this section:
- (a) "Commercial sexual exploitation" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.050.
- (b) "Commercially sexually exploited child" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.060.





- **Sec. 14.** NRS 62C.015 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 62C.015 1. A child must not be adjudicated as delinquent or in need of supervision for engaging in prostitution or solicitation for prostitution pursuant to NRS 201.353 or 201.354 or paragraph (b) of subsection 1 of NRS 207.030.
- 2. A child must not be placed in a state or local facility for the detention of children if:
 - (a) The child is alleged to have violated:

- (1) The provisions of NRS 197.190, **205.460**, 207.200 or 463.350; or
- (2) A county or municipal ordinance imposing a curfew on a child or prohibiting jaywalking or loitering for the purpose of solicitation for prostitution [;], trespassing, being present in a gaming establishment as a minor, obstructing a law enforcement officer or possessing, transferring or using false identification; and
- (b) There is reasonable cause to believe that the child is a commercially sexually exploited child.
- 3. If a court finds that a child committed an act described in subsection 2 and that clear and convincing evidence exists that the child committed the act in connection with commercial sexual exploitation, the court shall not adjudicate the child as a delinquent child or a child in need of supervision based on that act. Upon such a finding, the court shall report the commercial sexual exploitation of the child to an agency which provides child welfare services.
- 4. A juvenile justice agency that has reasonable cause to believe that a child in its custody is or has been a commercially sexually exploited child shall report the commercial sexual exploitation of the child to an agency which provides child welfare services.
 - 5. As used in this section:
- (a) "Commercial sexual exploitation" means the sex trafficking of a child in violation of NRS 201.300 or the sexual abuse or sexual exploitation of a child for the financial benefit of any person or in exchange for anything of value, including, without limitation, monetary or nonmonetary benefits given or received by any person.
- (b) "Commercially sexually exploited child" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 424.0115.
- (c) "Juvenile justice agency" means the Youth Parole Bureau or a director of juvenile services.
 - **Sec. 15.** NRS 63.190 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 63.190 1. The superintendent of a facility shall ensure that each employee who comes into direct contact with children in the facility receives training within 90 days after employment and annually thereafter. Such training must be approved by the Division





of Child and Family Services and include, without limitation, instruction concerning:

(a) Controlling the behavior of children;

- (b) Policies and procedures concerning the use of force and restraint on children;
 - (c) The rights of children in the facility;
 - (d) Suicide awareness and prevention;
 - (e) The administration of medication to children;
- (f) Applicable state and federal constitutional and statutory rights of children in the home;
- (g) Policies and procedures concerning other matters affecting the health, welfare, safety and civil and other rights of children in the facility;
- (h) Working with gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and questioning children; [and]
- (i) Identifying and assisting commercially sexually exploited children and children who are at risk of commercial sexual exploitation, including, without limitation, complying with the provisions of NRS 432C.110; and
- (j) Such other matters as required by the Administrator of the Division of Child and Family Services.
- 2. The Administrator of the Division of Child and Family Services shall provide direction to the superintendent of each facility concerning the manner in which to carry out the provisions of this section.
 - 3. As used in this section:
- (a) "Commercial sexual exploitation" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.050.
- (b) "Commercially sexually exploited child" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.060.
 - **Sec. 16.** NRS 128.023 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 128.023 1. If proceedings pursuant to this chapter involve the termination of parental rights of the parent of an Indian child, the court shall:
- (a) Cause the Indian child's tribe to be notified in writing in the manner provided in the Indian Child Welfare Act. If the Indian child is eligible for membership in more than one tribe, each tribe must be notified.
- (b) Transfer the proceedings to the Indian child's tribe in accordance with the Indian Child Welfare Act.
- (c) If a tribe declines or is unable to exercise jurisdiction, exercise its jurisdiction as provided in the Indian Child Welfare Act.
- 2. If the court determines that the parent of an Indian child for whom termination of parental rights is sought is indigent, the court:
 - (a) Shall appoint an attorney to represent the parent; and





- (b) May apply to the Secretary of the Interior for the payment of the fees and expenses of such an attorney,
- ⇒ as provided in the Indian Child Welfare Act.
- 3. An attorney appointed to represent a parent pursuant to this section must have received training approved by the court on identifying and assisting commercially sexually exploited children and children who are at risk of commercial sexual exploitation, including, without limitation, complying with the provisions of NRS 432C.110 and 432C.120.
 - 4. As used in this section:

- (a) "Commercial sexual exploitation" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.050.
- (b) "Commercially sexually exploited child" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.060.

Sec. 17. NRS 128.100 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 128.100 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, in any proceeding for terminating parental rights, or any rehearing or appeal thereon, or any proceeding for restoring parental rights, the court may appoint an attorney to represent the child as his or her counsel. The child may be represented by an attorney at all stages of any proceedings for terminating parental rights. If the child is represented by an attorney, the attorney has the same authority and rights as an attorney representing a party to the proceedings.
- 2. In any proceeding for the termination of parental rights to a child who has been placed outside of his or her home pursuant to chapter 432B of NRS, or any rehearing or appeal thereon, or any proceeding for restoring parental rights to such a child, the court shall appoint an attorney to represent the child as his or her counsel. The child shall be deemed to be a party to any proceeding described in this section and must be represented by an attorney at all stages of such proceedings. The attorney representing the child has the same authority and rights as an attorney representing any other party to the proceedings.
- 3. If the parent or parents of the child desire to be represented by counsel, but are indigent, the court may appoint an attorney for them.
- 4. Each attorney appointed under the provisions of this section [is]:
- (a) Must have received training approved by the court on identifying and assisting commercially sexually exploited children and children who are at risk of commercial sexual exploitation, including, without limitation, complying with the provisions of NRS 432C.110 and 432C.120.





- (b) Is entitled to the same compensation and expenses from the county as provided in NRS 7.125 and 7.135 for attorneys appointed to represent persons charged with crimes.
 - 5. As used in this section:

- (a) "Commercial sexual exploitation" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.050.
- (b) "Commercially sexually exploited child" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.060.
 - Sec. 18. NRS 180.030 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 180.030 1. The State Public Defender may employ:
- (a) Deputy state public defenders in the unclassified service of the State.
- (b) Clerical, investigative and other necessary staff in the classified service of the State.
- 2. Each deputy state public defender must be an attorney licensed to practice law in the State of Nevada, and shall not engage in the practice of law, except in performing the duties of office and as otherwise provided in NRS 7.065.
- 3. Any deputy state public defender or other employee of the State Public Defender who regularly works with children or on cases involving children must receive, within 90 days after employment and annually thereafter, training on identifying and assisting commercially sexually exploited children and children who are at risk of commercial sexual exploitation, including, without limitation, complying with the provisions of NRS 432C.110 and 432C.120.
 - 4. As used in this section:
- (a) "Commercial sexual exploitation" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.050.
- (b) "Commercially sexually exploited child" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.060.
 - **Sec. 19.** NRS 228.030 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 228.030 *1.* The Attorney General shall be commissioned by the Governor, and shall take the oath prescribed by the Constitution.
- 2. The Attorney General must receive, within 90 days after entering upon the duties of his or her office and annually thereafter, training on identifying and assisting commercially sexually exploited children and children who are at risk of commercial sexual exploitation, including, without limitation, complying with the provisions of NRS 432C.110 and 432C.120.
 - 3. As used in this section:
- (a) "Commercial sexual exploitation" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.050.
- (b) "Commercially sexually exploited child" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.060.





- **Sec. 20.** NRS 228.080 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 228.080 1. The Attorney General may appoint as many deputies as he or she may deem necessary to perform fully the duties of his or her office. All deputies so appointed may perform all duties now required of the Attorney General.
- 2. Before entering upon the discharge of his or her duties, each deputy so appointed shall take and subscribe to the constitutional oath of office, which must be filed in the Office of the Secretary of State.
- 3. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 7.065, deputy attorneys general shall not engage in the private practice of law.
- 4. Any deputy attorney general or any other employee of the Attorney General who regularly works with children or on cases involving children must receive, within 90 days after appointment pursuant to subsection 1 or employment and annually thereafter, training on identifying and assisting commercially sexually exploited children and children who are at risk of commercial sexual exploitation, including, without limitation, complying with the provisions of NRS 432C.110 and 432C.120.
 - 5. As used in this section:

- (a) "Commercial sexual exploitation" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.050.
- (b) "Commercially sexually exploited child" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.060.
 - **Sec. 21.** NRS 228.440 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 228.440 1. The Office of Ombudsman for Victims of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault and Human Trafficking is hereby created within the Office of the Attorney General.
- 2. The Attorney General shall appoint a person to serve in the position of Ombudsman for a term of 4 years. The person so appointed:
- (a) Must be knowledgeable about the legal and societal aspects of domestic violence, sexual assault and human trafficking;
 - (b) Is in the unclassified service of the State; and
 - (c) Is not required to be an attorney.
- 3. The Attorney General may remove the Ombudsman from office for inefficiency, neglect of duty or malfeasance in office.
- 4. The Ombudsman must receive, within 90 days after appointment pursuant to subsection 2 and annually thereafter, training on identifying and assisting commercially sexually exploited children and children who are at risk of commercial sexual exploitation, including, without limitation, complying with the provisions of NRS 432C.110.
 - 5. As used in this section:





- (a) "Commercial sexual exploitation" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.050.
- (b) "Commercially sexually exploited child" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.060.

4 5 **Sec. 22.** NRS 239.010 is hereby amended to read as follows: 6 239.010 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section and 7 NRS 1.4683, 1.4687, 1A.110, 3.2203, 41.0397, 41.071, 49.095, 8 49.293, 62D.420, 62D.440, 62E.516, 62E.620, 62H.025, 62H.030, 9 62H.170, 62H.220, 62H.320, 75A.100, 75A.150, 76.160, 78.152, 80.113, 81.850, 82.183, 86.246, 86.54615, 87.515, 87.5413, 10 87A.200, 87A.580, 87A.640, 88.3355, 88.5927, 88.6067, 88A.345, 11 88A.7345, 89.045, 89.251, 90.730, 91.160, 116.757, 116A.270, 12 13 116B.880, 118B.026, 119.260, 119.265, 119.267, 119.280, 119A.280, 119A.653, 119A.677, 119B.370, 119B.382, 120A.640, 14 120A.690, 125.130, 125B.140, 126.141, 126.161, 126.163, 126.730, 15 16 127.007, 127.057, 127.130, 127.140, 127.2817, 128.090, 130.312, 130.712, 136.050, 159.044, 159A.044, 172.075, 172.245, 176.015, 17 176.0625, 176.09129, 176.156, 176A.630, 178.39801, 178.4715, 18 178.5691, 179.495, 179A.070, 179A.165, 179D.160, 200.3771, 19 20 200.3772. 200.5095, 200.604, 202.3662, 205.4651, 209.392, 21 209.3925, 209.419, 209.429, 209.521, 211A.140, 209.3923. 213.010, 213.040, 213.095, 213.131, 217.105, 217.110, 217.464, 22 23 217.475, 218A.350, 218E.625, 218F.150, 218G.130, 218G.240, 218G.350, 224.240, 226.300, 228.270, 228.450, 228.495, 228.570, 24 25 231.069, 231.1473, 232.1369, 233.190, 237.300, 239.0105, 26 239.0113, 239.014, 239B.026, 239B.030, 239B.040, 239B.050, 239C.140, 239C.210, 239C.230, 239C.250, 239C.270, 239C.420, 27 28 240.007, 241.020, 241.030, 241.039, 242.105, 244.264, 244.335, 247.540, 247.550, 247.560, 250.087, 250.130, 250.140, 250.150, 29 268.095, 268.0978, 268.490, 268.910, 269.174, 271A.105, 281.195, 30 281.805, 281A.350, 281A.680, 281A.685, 281A.750, 281A.755, 31 32 281A.780, 284.4068, 284.4086, 286.110, 286.118, 287.0438, 289.025, 289.080, 289.387, 289.830, 293.4855, 293.5002, 293.503, 33 293.504, 293.558, 293.5757, 293.870, 293.906, 293.908, 293.910, 34 293B.135, 293D.510, 331.110, 332.061, 332.351, 333.333, 333.335, 35 338.070, 338.1593, 338.1725, 338.1727, 348.420, 36 338.1379. 349.775, 353.205, 353A.049, 353A.085, 349.597, 37 353A.100, 353C.240, 360.240, 360.247, 360.255, 360.755, 361.044, 361.2242, 38 361.610, 365.138, 366.160, 368A.180, 370.257, 370.327, 372A.080, 39 40 378.290, 378.300, 379.0075, 379.008, 379.1495, 385A.830, 385B.100, 387.626, 387.631, 388.1455, 388.259, 388.501, 388.503, 41

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692C.3538, 692C.354, 692C.420, 693A.480, 693A.615, 696B.550, 696C.120, 703.196, 704B.325, 706.1725, 706A.230, 710.159, 711.600, and section 11 of this act, sections 35, 38 and 41 of chapter 478, Statutes of Nevada 2011 and section 2 of chapter 391, Statutes of Nevada 2013 and unless otherwise declared by law to be confidential, all public books and public records of a governmental entity must be open at all times during office hours to inspection by any person, and may be fully copied or an abstract or memorandum may be prepared from those public books and public records. Any such copies, abstracts or memoranda may be used to supply the general public with copies, abstracts or memoranda of the records or may be used in any other way to the advantage of the governmental entity or of the general public. This section does not supersede or in any manner affect the federal laws governing copyrights or enlarge, diminish or affect in any other manner the rights of a person in any written book or record which is copyrighted pursuant to federal law.

2. A governmental entity may not reject a book or record

which is copyrighted solely because it is copyrighted.

3. A governmental entity that has legal custody or control of a public book or record shall not deny a request made pursuant to subsection 1 to inspect or copy or receive a copy of a public book or record on the basis that the requested public book or record contains information that is confidential if the governmental entity can redact, delete, conceal or separate, including, without limitation, electronically, the confidential information from the information included in the public book or record that is not otherwise confidential.

- 4. If requested, a governmental entity shall provide a copy of a public record in an electronic format by means of an electronic medium. Nothing in this subsection requires a governmental entity to provide a copy of a public record in an electronic format or by means of an electronic medium if:
 - (a) The public record:
 - (1) Was not created or prepared in an electronic format; and
 - (2) Is not available in an electronic format; or
- (b) Providing the public record in an electronic format or by means of an electronic medium would:
 - (1) Give access to proprietary software; or
- (2) Require the production of information that is confidential and that cannot be redacted, deleted, concealed or separated from information that is not otherwise confidential.
- 5. An officer, employee or agent of a governmental entity who has legal custody or control of a public record:
- (a) Shall not refuse to provide a copy of that public record in the medium that is requested because the officer, employee or agent has





already prepared or would prefer to provide the copy in a different medium.

- (b) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 239.030, shall, upon request, prepare the copy of the public record and shall not require the person who has requested the copy to prepare the copy himself or herself.
 - **Sec. 23.** NRS 252.020 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 252.020 1. District attorneys shall be elected by the qualified electors of their respective counties.
- 2. District attorneys shall be chosen by the electors of their respective counties at the general election in 1922, and at the general election every 4 years thereafter, and shall enter upon the duties of their offices on the first Monday of January subsequent to their election.
- 3. Each district attorney must receive, within 90 days after entering upon the duties of his or her office and annually thereafter, training on identifying and assisting commercially sexually exploited children and children who are at risk of commercial sexual exploitation, including, without limitation, complying with the provisions of NRS 432C.110 and 432C.120.
 - 4. As used in this section:

- (a) "Commercial sexual exploitation" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.050.
- (b) "Commercially sexually exploited child" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.060.
 - **Sec. 24.** NRS 252.070 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 252.070 1. All district attorneys may appoint deputies, who are authorized to transact all official business relating to those duties of the office set forth in NRS 252.080 and 252.090 to the same extent as their principals and perform such other duties as the district attorney may from time to time direct. The appointment of a deputy district attorney must not be construed to confer upon that deputy policymaking authority for the office of the district attorney or the county by which the deputy district attorney is employed.
- 2. District attorneys are responsible on their official bonds for all official malfeasance or nonfeasance of the deputies. Bonds for the faithful performance of their official duties may be required of deputies by district attorneys.
- 3. All appointments of deputies under the provisions of this section must be in writing and must, together with the oath of office of the deputies, be recorded in the office of the recorder of the county within which the district attorney legally holds and exercises his or her office. Revocations of those appointments must also be recorded as provided in this section. From the time of the recording





of the appointments or revocations therein, persons shall be deemed to have notice of the appointments or revocations.

- 4. Deputy district attorneys of counties whose population is less than 100,000 may engage in the private practice of law. In any other county, except as otherwise provided in NRS 7.065 and this subsection, deputy district attorneys shall not engage in the private practice of law. An attorney appointed to prosecute a person for a limited duration with limited jurisdiction may engage in private practice which does not present a conflict with his or her appointment.
- 5. Any district attorney may, subject to the approval of the board of county commissioners, appoint such clerical, investigational and operational staff as the execution of duties and the operation of his or her office may require. The compensation of any person so appointed must be fixed by the board of county commissioners.
- 6. In a county whose population is 700,000 or more, deputies are governed by the merit personnel system of the county.
- 7. Any deputy district attorney or other employee of a district attorney who regularly works with children or on cases involving children must receive, within 90 days after employment and annually thereafter, training on identifying and assisting commercially sexually exploited children and children who are at risk of commercial sexual exploitation, including, without limitation, complying with the provisions of NRS 432C.110 and 432C.120.
 - 8. As used in this section:
- (a) "Commercial sexual exploitation" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.050.
- (b) "Commercially sexually exploited child" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.060.
 - **Sec. 25.** NRS 260.040 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 260.040 1. The compensation of the public defender must be fixed by the board of county commissioners and, in counties whose population is less than 100,000, must comply with the regulations adopted by the Board on Indigent Defense Services pursuant to NRS 180.320. The public defender of any two or more counties must be compensated and be permitted private civil practice of the law as determined by the boards of county commissioners of those counties, subject to the provisions of subsection 4 and NRS 7.065.
- 2. The public defender may appoint as many deputies or assistant attorneys, clerks, investigators, stenographers and other employees as the public defender considers necessary to enable him or her to carry out his or her responsibilities, with the approval of the board of county commissioners. An assistant attorney must be a





qualified attorney licensed to practice in this State and may be placed on a part-time or full-time basis. The appointment of a deputy, assistant attorney or other employee pursuant to this subsection must not be construed to confer upon that deputy, assistant attorney or other employee policymaking authority for the office of the public defender or the county or counties by which the deputy, assistant attorney or other employee is employed.

3. The compensation of persons appointed under subsection 2 must be fixed by the board of county commissioners of the county or counties so served.

- 4. The public defender and his or her deputies and assistant attorneys in a county whose population is less than 100,000 may engage in the private practice of law. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, in any other county, the public defender and his or her deputies and assistant attorneys shall not engage in the private practice of law except as otherwise provided in NRS 7.065. An attorney appointed to defend a person for a limited duration with limited jurisdiction may engage in private practice which does not present a conflict with his or her appointment.
- 5. The board of county commissioners shall provide office space, furniture, equipment and supplies for the use of the public defender suitable for the conduct of the business of his or her office. However, the board of county commissioners may provide for an allowance in place of facilities. Each of those items is a charge against the county in which public defender services are rendered. If the public defender serves more than one county, expenses that are properly allocable to the business of more than one of those counties must be prorated among the counties concerned.
- 6. In a county whose population is 700,000 or more, deputies are governed by the merit personnel system of the county, and their compensation is not subject to the regulations adopted by the Board on Indigent Defense Services pursuant to NRS 180.320.
- 7. The public defender, any deputy or assistant attorney or any other employee of a public defender who regularly works with children or on cases involving children must receive, within 90 days after appointment or employment and annually thereafter, training on identifying and assisting commercially sexually exploited children and children who are at risk of commercial sexual exploitation, including, without limitation, complying with the provisions of NRS 432C.110 and 432C.120.
 - 8. As used in this section:
- (a) "Commercial sexual exploitation" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.050.
- (b) "Commercially sexually exploited child" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.060.





Sec. 26. NRS 388.1342 is hereby amended to read as follows:

388.1342 1. The Department, in consultation with persons who possess knowledge and expertise in discrimination based on race, bullying and cyber-bullying, shall establish a program of training:

- (a) On methods to prevent, identify and report incidents of discrimination based on race, bullying and cyber-bullying for members of the State Board.
- (b) On methods to prevent, identify and report incidents of discrimination based on race, bullying and cyber-bullying for the members of a governing body.
- (c) For school district and school personnel to assist those persons with carrying out their powers and duties pursuant to NRS 388.121 to 388.1395, inclusive.
- (d) For school district and school personnel in the prevention of violence and suicide, including, without limitation, violence and suicide associated with discrimination based on race, bullying and cyber-bullying, and appropriate methods to respond to incidents of violence or suicide. Such training must include, without limitation, instruction concerning the identification of:
- (1) Appropriate mental health services at the school and in the community in which the school is located and how and when to refer pupils and their families for such services; and
- (2) Other persons and organizations in the community in which the school is located, including, without limitation, religious and other nonprofit organizations, that may be able to assist with the response to a suicide.
- (e) For school district and school personnel concerning the needs of persons with diverse gender identities or expressions.
- (f) For school district and school personnel concerning the needs of pupils with disabilities and pupils with autism spectrum disorder.
- (g) For school district and school personnel concerning the identification of and assistance to commercially sexually exploited children and children who are at risk of commercial sexual exploitation, including, without limitation, complying with the provisions of NRS 432C.110.
- 2. Each member of the State Board shall, within 1 year after the member is elected or appointed to the State Board, complete the program of training on discrimination based on race, bullying and cyber-bullying established pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 1 and undergo the training at least one additional time while the person is a member of the State Board.
- 3. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 388.134, each member of a governing body shall, within 1 year after the member begins his or her service on the governing body, complete the program of





training on discrimination based on race, bullying and cyberbullying established pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1 and undergo the training at least one additional time while the person is a member of the governing body.

- 4. Each administrator of a school shall complete the program of training established pursuant to paragraphs (d) [, (e) and (f)] to (g), inclusive, of subsection 1:
 - (a) Within 90 days after becoming an administrator;
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (c), at least once every 3 years thereafter; and
- (c) At least once during any school year within which the program of training is revised or updated.
- 5. Each teacher, school nurse, school counselor, school psychologist, school social worker and school resource officer shall complete the program of training established pursuant to paragraph (g) of subsection 1:
- (a) Within 90 days after becoming a teacher, school nurse, school counselor, school psychologist, school social worker or school resource officer, as applicable;
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (c), at least once every 3 years thereafter; and
- (c) At least once during any school year within which the program of training is revised or updated.
- **6.** Each program of training established pursuant to subsection 1 must, to the extent money is available, be made available on the Internet website maintained by the Department or through another provider on the Internet.
- [6.] 7. The governing body may allow school personnel to attend the program established pursuant to paragraph (c) $[\cdot, (d), (e)]$ or (f) to (g), inclusive, of subsection 1 during regular school hours.
- [7.] 8. The Department shall review each program of training established pursuant to subsection 1 on an annual basis to ensure that the program contains current information.
 - 9. As used in this section:
- (a) "Commercial sexual exploitation" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.050.
- (b) "Commercially sexually exploited child" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.060.
- (c) "School resource officer" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 388.2358.
- **Sec. 27.** Chapter 388C of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:
- 1. Each administrator, teacher, school nurse, school counselor, school psychologist, school social worker and school resource officer at a university school for profoundly gifted pupils





shall complete the program of training established pursuant to paragraph (g) of subsection 1 of NRS 388.1342:

- (a) Within 90 days after becoming an administrator, teacher, school nurse, school counselor, school psychologist, school social worker or school resource officer, as applicable;
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (c), at least once every 3 years thereafter; and
- (c) At least once during any school year within which the program of training is revised or updated.
- 2. As used in this section, "school resource officer" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 388.2358.
- **Sec. 28.** NRS 388C.170 is hereby amended to read as follows: 388C.170 As used in NRS 388C.170 to [388C.205,] 388C.210, inclusive, *and section 27 of this act*, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in NRS 388C.180 and 388C.190 have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.
 - **Sec. 29.** NRS 392.317 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 392.317 Except as otherwise provided in NRS 392.317 to 392.337, inclusive, and in addition to information provided pursuant to NRS 392.337, information maintained by an agency which provides child welfare services pursuant to NRS 392.275 to 392.365, inclusive, may, at the discretion of the agency which provides child welfare services, be made available only to:
- 1. The child who is the subject of the report, the parent or guardian of the child and an attorney for the child or the parent or guardian of the child, if the identity of the person responsible for reporting the abuse or neglect of the child or the violation of NRS 201.540, 201.560, 392.4633 or 394.366 to a public agency and the identity of any child witness are kept confidential and the information is reasonably necessary to promote the safety, permanency and well-being of the child who is the subject of the report;
- 2. A physician, if the physician has before him or her a child who the physician has reasonable cause to believe has been abused or neglected or subject to a violation of NRS 201.540, 201.560, 392.4633 or 394.366;
- 3. An agency, including, without limitation, an agency in another jurisdiction, responsible for or authorized to undertake the care or treatment or supervision of the child or investigate the allegations in the report;
- 4. A district attorney or other law enforcement officer who requires the information in connection with an investigation or prosecution of the conduct alleged in the report;





- 5. A court, other than a juvenile court, for in camera inspection only, unless the court determines that public disclosure of the information is necessary for the determination of an issue before it;
- 6. A person engaged in bona fide research or an audit, but information identifying the subjects of a report must not be made available to the person;
- 7. A grand jury upon its determination that access to these records and the information is necessary in the conduct of its official business:
- 8. A federal, state or local governmental entity, or an agency of such an entity, or a juvenile court, that needs access to the information to carry out its legal responsibilities to protect children from abuse and neglect and violations of NRS 201.540, 201.560, 392.4633 or 394.366 or similar statutes in another jurisdiction;
- 9. A person or an organization that has entered into a written agreement with an agency which provides child welfare services to provide assessments or services and that has been trained to make such assessments or provide such services;
- 10. A team organized pursuant to NRS 432B.405 to review the death of a child [;] or section 9 of this act to review the case of a commercially sexually exploited child;
- 11. Upon written consent of the parent, any officer of this State or a city or county thereof or Legislator authorized by the agency or department having jurisdiction or by the Legislature, acting within its jurisdiction, to investigate the activities or programs of an agency which provides child welfare services if:
- (a) The identity of the person making the report is kept confidential; and
- (b) The officer, Legislator or a member of the family of the officer or Legislator is not the person alleged to have engaged in the conduct described in the report;
- 12. The Division of Parole and Probation of the Department of Public Safety for use pursuant to NRS 176.135 in making a presentence investigation and report to the district court or pursuant to NRS 176.151 in making a general investigation and report;
- 13. A public school, private school, school district or governing body of a charter school or private school in this State or any other jurisdiction that employs a person named in the report, allows such a person to serve as a volunteer or is considering employing such a person or accepting such a person as a volunteer;
- 14. The school attended by the child who is the subject of the report and the board of trustees of the school district in which the school is located or the governing body of the school, as applicable;
- 15. An employer in accordance with subsection 3 of NRS 432.100; and





- 16. The Committee to Review Suicide Fatalities created by NRS 439,5104.
 - **Sec. 30.** Chapter 394 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:
 - 1. The governing body of a private school shall ensure that each administrator, teacher, school nurse, school counselor, school psychologist and school social worker completes the program of training established pursuant to paragraph (g) of subsection 1 of NRS 388.1342:
 - (a) Within 90 days after becoming an administrator, teacher, school nurse, school counselor, school psychologist or school social worker, as applicable; and
 - (b) At least once every 3 years thereafter.
 - 2. A person who willfully violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor.
 - **Sec. 31.** NRS 394.152 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 394.152 As used in NRS 394.152 to 394.157, inclusive, *and* section 30 of this act, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in NRS 394.153 and 394.154 have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.
 - **Sec. 32.** NRS 433B.175 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 433B.175 1. The Administrator shall ensure that each employee who comes into direct contact with children at any treatment facility and any other division facility into which a child may be committed by a court order receives training within 90 days after employment and annually thereafter. Such training must be approved by the Division and include, without limitation, instruction concerning:
 - (a) Controlling the behavior of children;
 - (b) Policies and procedures concerning the use of force and restraint on children;
 - (c) The rights of children in the facility;
 - (d) Suicide awareness and prevention;
 - (e) The administration of medication to children;
 - (f) Applicable state and federal constitutional and statutory rights of children in the facility;
 - (g) Policies and procedures concerning other matters affecting the health, welfare, safety and civil and other rights of children in the facility;
- (h) Working with gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and questioning children; [and]
- (i) Identifying and assisting commercially sexually exploited children and children who are at risk of commercial sexual exploitation, including, without limitation, complying with the provisions of NRS 432C.110; and





- (j) Such other matters as required by the [Board.] Division.
- 2. The Division shall adopt regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.
 - 3. As used in this section:

- (a) "Commercial sexual exploitation" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.050.
- (b) "Commercially sexually exploited child" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 432C.060.
- **Sec. 33.** Notwithstanding the amendatory provisions of sections 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 13, 15 to 21, inclusive, 23 to 27, inclusive, 30 and 32 of this act, any person who is employed or otherwise serving on or before January 1, 2024, in a position where the person is required by the amendatory provisions of those sections to receive training in identifying and assisting commercially sexually exploited children and children who are at risk of commercial sexual exploitation may continue such employment without receiving such training until July 1, 2024.
- **Sec. 34.** The provisions of NRS 354.599 do not apply to any additional expenses of a local government that are related to the provisions of this act.
- **Sec. 35.** 1. This section and section 34 of this act become effective upon passage and approval.
- 2. Sections 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 13, 15 to 21, inclusive, 23 to 28, inclusive, and 30 to 33, inclusive, of this act become effective:
- (a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and
 - (b) On January 1, 2024, for all other purposes.
- 3. Sections 4, 7 to 12, inclusive, 14, 22 and 29 of this act become effective on July 1, 2023.





