SENATE BILL NO. 38-COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(ON BEHALF OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL)

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to offenses against children. (BDR 15-425)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: Increases or Newly
Provides for Term of Imprisonment in County or City
Jail or Detention Facility.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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

AN ACT relating to crimes; prohibiting certain employees of or volunteers at a school from contacting or communicating with a pupil under certain circumstances; prohibiting certain employees of or volunteers at a school from engaging in conduct intended to cause or encourage a pupil to engage in sexual conduct, transmit or distribute a sexual image of the pupil or engage in certain other behavior; prohibiting a court from ordering a victim or witness of such conduct to be subject to a psychological or psychiatric examination; providing that certain persons who are convicted of engaging in such conduct are subject to various statutory provisions relating to electronic communications devices; revising provisions relating to the licensure and employment of persons convicted of engaging in certain prohibited conduct with pupils; providing penalties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law prohibits certain employees of or volunteers at a school from engaging in sexual conduct with certain pupils. (NRS 201.540) Existing law also prohibits: (1) a person from possessing a visual representation depicting a sexual portrayal or sexual conduct of certain minors; and (2) a minor from using an electronic communication device to transmit or distribute a sexual image of himself





or herself to another person. (NRS 200.730, 200.737) Unless a greater penalty is provided by specific statute, section 2 of this bill provides that a person in a position of authority is guilty of a category C felony if he or she knowingly contacts or communicates with or attempts to contact or communicate with a pupil with the intent to: (1) engage in the commission of a crime punishable as a felony or gross misdemeanor; or (2) cause or encourage the pupil to engage in sexual conduct, use an electronic communication device to transmit or distribute a sexual image of himself or herself to the person or facilitate the commission of an unlawful act that, if committed by an adult, would be a felony or gross misdemeanor. Section 2 creates an exemption from the crime prescribed in section 2 if the person in a position of authority: (1) is married to the pupil at the time an act prohibited by section 2 is committed; (2) does not have or did not have contact with the pupil in the course of performing any of his or her duties; or (3) takes certain action upon receipt of an unsolicited sexual image or communication of a sexual nature from a pupil. Section 4 of this bill makes a conforming change to indicate the proper placement of section 2 in the Nevada Revised Statutes.

Existing law makes certain conduct relating to the exhibition or sale to minors of obscene material a misdemeanor offense, unless a greater penalty is provided by specific statute. (NRS 201.265) **Section 3** of this bill adds a violation of **section 2**

to the list of specific statutes in which a greater penalty is provided.

Existing law prohibits a court from ordering the victim of or a witness to certain sexual offenses to take or submit to a psychological or psychiatric examination. (NRS 50.700) **Section 5** of this bill adds a violation of **section 2** to the list of sexual offenses to which that prohibition applies.

Existing law requires a court that grants probation to or suspends the sentence of certain persons convicted of an offense that involved the use of a computer, system or network to order, as a condition of probation or suspension, that the person not own or use a computer. (NRS 176A.413) **Section 9** of this bill: (1) adds certain violations of **section 2** to the list of offenses for which a court is required to issue such an order; and (2) provides that the prohibition on owning or using a computer includes any electronic communication device. Existing law similarly requires the State Board of Parole Commissioners to require that certain persons convicted of an offense that involved the use of a computer, system or network not own or use a computer. (NRS 213.1258) **Section 18** of this bill: (1) adds certain violations of **section 2** to the list of offenses for which the Board is required to impose this condition of parole; and (2) provides that the prohibition on owning or using a computer includes any electronic communication device.

Existing law allows a judge to grant an order authorizing the interception of certain communications when the interception may provide evidence of the commission of certain offenses. (NRS 179.460) **Section 12** of this bill adds a violation of **section 2** to the list of offenses for which a judge may grant such an order.

Sections 19-25 and 33 of this bill authorize the board of trustees of a school district, the governing body of a public or private school and the administrator of a private school to use a substantiated report of a violation of **section 2** for purposes of making certain employment decisions and certain other purposes. (NRS 288.150, 388A.515, 388A.5342, 388C.200, 391.033, 391.104, 391.281, 394.155)

Existing law requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to grant all licenses for teachers and other educational personnel. (NRS 391.033) **Section 23** of this bill requires the Superintendent to suspend the application process for an applicant for licensure against whom a substantiated report of a violation of **section 2** is made and take certain other actions related to the report.

Existing law authorizes the State Board of Education to suspend or revoke a license issued by the Superintendent if the licensee is convicted of certain offenses or a substantiated report of certain prohibited conduct is made against the licensee.





(NRS 391.330) Section 26 of this bill: (1) adds a violation of section 2 to the list of offenses for which the State Board may suspend or revoke a license; and (2) authorizes the State Board to suspend or revoke the license of a person against whom a substantiated report of a violation of section 2 is made. Existing law authorizes the State Board to bill an employee for certain expenses related to a disciplinary hearing if the hearing results from a recommendation to revoke or suspend a license based upon certain convictions described in section 26. (NRS 391.355) Section 26.5 of this bill adds a conviction of a violation of section 2 to the list of hearings for which the State Board may bill an employee.

Existing law authorizes the board of trustees of a school district or the governing body of a public school to suspend, dismiss, demote or refuse to employ a teacher or administrator for immorality. (NRS 391.650, 391.750) Existing law also authorizes the superintendent of a school district to suspend a licensed employee who has been charged but not yet convicted of a crime involving immorality. (NRS 391.760) Sections 27 and 28 of this bill add a violation of section 2 to the list of immoral acts for which such action may be taken. Section 28 also provides that a licensed employee who is convicted of a violation of section 2 forfeits all rights of employment after the date of his or her arrest.

Existing law requires an employee of or a volunteer for a school to report certain conduct to an agency which provides child welfare services and to a law enforcement agency. (NRS 392.303) **Section 29** of this bill additionally requires an employee of or a volunteer for a school to make such a report for a violation of section 2. Sections 29-32 of this bill make conforming changes relating to the requirement that an employee or a volunteer make such a report. (NRS 392.317, 392.337)

Section 34 of this bill requires the Statewide Central Registry for the Collection of Information Concerning the Abuse or Neglect of a Child to contain the information in any substantiated report of a violation of section 2. (NRS 432.100) Section 36 of this bill requires certain employers to screen employees through the Central Registry to determine whether the person has been the subject of a substantiated report of a violation of section 2. (NRS 433.639) Section 35 of this bill makes a conforming change relating to the inclusion in the Central Registry of information relating to a violation of section 2.

Section 37 of this bill makes the amendatory provisions of sections 1-36 apply to offenses committed on and after October 1, 2023.

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

Section 1. (Deleted by amendment.)

- Sec. 2. Chapter 201 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:
- Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2 and unless a greater penalty is provided by specific statute, a person in a position of authority who knowingly contacts or communicates with or attempts to contact or communicate with a pupil with the intent to:
- (a) Engage in the commission of a crime punishable as a felony or gross misdemeanor; or
 - (b) Cause or encourage the pupil to:



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- (1) Engage in sexual conduct, either in person or through the use of an electronic communication device;
- (2) Use an electronic communication device to transmit or distribute a sexual image of himself or herself to the person;

(3) Engage in an unlawful act that, if committed by an

adult, would be a felony or gross misdemeanor; or

(4) Facilitate the commission by the person in a position of authority of a crime punishable as a felony or gross misdemeanor, is guilty of a category C felony and shall be punished as provided in NRS 193.130.

2. The provisions of this section do not apply if the person in a position of authority:

(a) Is married to the pupil at the time an act prohibited by this section is committed;

(b) Does not have or did not have contact with the pupil in the course of performing any of his or her duties; or

- (c) Receives from a pupil, by electronic communication device, an unsolicited sexual image or communication of a sexual nature and reports the image or communication to the principal, administrator or other person in charge of the school at which the person is employed or volunteers as soon as reasonably practicable after receipt of the image or communication.
 - 3. As used in this section:
- (a) "Electronic communication device" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 200.737.
- (b) "Person in a position of authority" means a person who is 18 years of age or older and who:
- (1) Is or was an employee at or volunteer for a public school or private school; and
- (2) Has had contact with a pupil in the course of performing his or her duties as an employee or volunteer.

(c) "Pupil" means a person who is or was enrolled in or

attending a public school or private school.

- (d) "Sexual conduct" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 201.520 and also includes sexual conduct between two persons who are in different physical locations but who are communicating with each other through the use of an electronic communication device.
- (e) "Sexual image" means any visual depiction, including, without limitation, any photograph or video of a pupil simulating or engaging in sexual conduct or of the pupil as the subject of a sexual portrayal.
- (f) "Sexual portrayal" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 200.700.





- **Sec. 3.** NRS 201.265 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 201.265 Except as otherwise provided in NRS 200.720 and 201.2655, and unless a greater penalty is provided pursuant to NRS 201.560 [...] or section 2 of this act, a person is guilty of a misdemeanor if the person knowingly:
- 1. Distributes or causes to be distributed to a minor material that is harmful to minors, unless the person is the parent, guardian or spouse of the minor.
- 2. Exhibits for distribution to an adult in such a manner or location as to allow a minor to view or to have access to examine material that is harmful to minors, unless the person is the parent, guardian or spouse of the minor.
- 3. Sells to a minor an admission ticket or pass for or otherwise admits a minor for monetary consideration to any presentation of material that is harmful to minors, unless the minor is accompanied by his or her parent, guardian or spouse.
- 4. Misrepresents that he or she is the parent, guardian or spouse of a minor for the purpose of:
- (a) Distributing to the minor material that is harmful to minors; or
- (b) Obtaining admission of the minor to any presentation of material that is harmful to minors.
- 5. Misrepresents his or her age as 18 or over for the purpose of obtaining:
 - (a) Material that is harmful to minors; or
- (b) Admission to any presentation of material that is harmful to minors.
- 6. Sells or rents motion pictures which contain material that is harmful to minors on the premises of a business establishment open to minors, unless the person creates an area within the establishment for the placement of the motion pictures and any material that advertises the sale or rental of the motion pictures which:
- (a) Prevents minors from observing the motion pictures or any material that advertises the sale or rental of the motion pictures; and
- (b) Is labeled, in a prominent and conspicuous location, "Adults Only."
 - **Sec. 4.** NRS 201.470 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 201.470 As used in NRS 201.470 to 201.550, inclusive, *and section 2 of this act*, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in NRS 201.480 to 201.530, inclusive, have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.
 - **Sec. 5.** NRS 50.700 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 50.700 1. In any criminal or juvenile delinquency action relating to the commission of a sexual offense, a court may not order





the victim of or a witness to the sexual offense to take or submit to a psychological or psychiatric examination.

- 2. The court may exclude the testimony of a licensed psychologist, psychiatrist or clinical social worker who performed a psychological or psychiatric examination on the victim or witness if:
- (a) There is a prima facie showing of a compelling need for an additional psychological or psychiatric examination of the victim or witness by a licensed psychologist, psychiatrist or clinical social worker; and
- (b) The victim or witness refuses to submit to an additional psychological or psychiatric examination by a licensed psychologist, psychiatrist or clinical social worker.
- 3. In determining whether there is a prima facie showing of a compelling need for an additional psychological or psychiatric examination of the victim or witness pursuant to subsection 2, the court must consider whether:
- (a) There is a reasonable basis for believing that the mental or emotional state of the victim or witness may have affected his or her ability to perceive and relate events relevant to the criminal prosecution; and
- (b) Any corroboration of the offense exists beyond the testimony of the victim or witness.
- 4. If the court determines there is a prima facie showing of a compelling need for an additional psychological or psychiatric examination of the victim or witness, the court shall issue a factual finding that details with particularity the reasons why an additional psychological or psychiatric examination of the victim or witness is warranted.
- 5. If the court issues a factual finding pursuant to subsection 4 and the victim or witness consents to an additional psychological or psychiatric examination, the court shall set the parameters for the examination consistent with the purpose of determining the ability of the victim or witness to perceive and relate events relevant to the criminal prosecution.
- 6. As used in this section, "sexual offense" includes, without limitation:
 - (a) Sexual assault pursuant to NRS 200.366;
 - (b) Statutory sexual seduction pursuant to NRS 200.368;
- (c) Battery with intent to commit sexual assault pursuant to NRS 200.400;
- (d) Abuse of a child pursuant to NRS 200.508, if the abuse involved sexual abuse or sexual exploitation;
- (e) An offense involving pornography and a minor pursuant to NRS 200.710 to 200.730, inclusive;
 - (f) Incest pursuant to NRS 201.180;





- (g) Open or gross lewdness pursuant to NRS 201.210;
- (h) Indecent or obscene exposure pursuant to NRS 201.220;
- (i) Lewdness with a child pursuant to NRS 201.230;
- (j) Sexual penetration of a dead human body pursuant to NRS 201.450:
- (k) An offense involving the administration of a drug to another person with the intent to enable or assist the commission of a felony pursuant to NRS 200.405, if the felony is an offense listed in this section;
- (1) An offense involving the administration of a controlled substance to another person with the intent to enable or assist the commission of a crime of violence pursuant to NRS 200.408, if the crime of violence is an offense listed in this section;
- (m) Luring a child or a person with mental illness pursuant to NRS 201.560:
- (n) An offense that is found to be sexually motivated pursuant to NRS 175.547 or 207.193;
 - (o) Pandering of a child pursuant to NRS 201.300;
 - (p) A violation of section 2 of this act;
- (q) Any other offense that has an element involving a sexual act or sexual conduct with another person; or
- [(q)] (r) Any attempt or conspiracy to commit an offense listed in this subsection.
 - **Sec. 6.** (Deleted by amendment.)
 - **Sec. 7.** (Deleted by amendment.)
 - **Sec. 8.** (Deleted by amendment.)
 - **Sec. 9.** NRS 176A.413 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 176A.413 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, if a defendant is convicted of stalking with the use of an Internet or network site, electronic mail, text messaging or any other similar means of communication pursuant to subsection 4 of NRS 200.575, an offense involving pornography and a minor pursuant to NRS 200.710 to 200.730, inclusive, [or] luring a child or a person with mental illness through the use of a computer, system or network pursuant to paragraph (a) or (b) of subsection 4 of NRS 201.560 or a violation of section 2 of this act which involved the use of an electronic communication device and the court grants probation or suspends the sentence, the court shall, in addition to any other condition ordered pursuant to NRS 176A.400, order as a condition of probation or suspension that the defendant not own or use a computer, including, without limitation, use electronic mail, a chat room or the Internet.
- 2. The court is not required to impose a condition of probation or suspension of sentence set forth in subsection 1 if the court finds that:





- (a) The use of a computer by the defendant will assist a law enforcement agency or officer in a criminal investigation;
- (b) The defendant will use the computer to provide technological training concerning technology of which the defendant has a unique knowledge; or
- (c) The use of the computer by the defendant will assist companies that require the use of the specific technological knowledge of the defendant that is unique and is otherwise unavailable to the company.
- 3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 1, if a defendant is convicted of an offense that involved the use of a computer, system or network and the court grants probation or suspends the sentence, the court may, in addition to any other condition ordered pursuant to NRS 176A.400, order as a condition of probation or suspension that the defendant not own or use a computer, including, without limitation, use electronic mail, a chat room or the Internet.
 - 4. As used in this section:

- (a) "Computer" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 205.4735 and includes, without limitation, an electronic communication device.
- (b) "Electronic communication device" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 200.737.
- (c) "Network" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 205.4745.

 [(c)] (d) "System" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 205.476.
- [(d)] (e) "Text messaging" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 200.575.
 - **Sec. 10.** (Deleted by amendment.)
 - **Sec. 11.** (Deleted by amendment.)
 - **Sec. 12.** NRS 179.460 is hereby amended to read as follows:

The Attorney General or the district attorney of 179.460 any county may apply to a Supreme Court justice or to a district judge in the county where the interception is to take place for an order authorizing the interception of wire, electronic or oral communications, and the judge may, in accordance with NRS 179.470 to 179.515, inclusive, grant an order authorizing the interception of wire, electronic or oral communications by investigative or law enforcement officers having responsibility for the investigation of the offense as to which the application is made, when the interception may provide evidence of the commission of murder, kidnapping, robbery, extortion, bribery, escape of an offender in the custody of the Department of Corrections, destruction of public property by explosives, a sexual offense against a child, sex trafficking, a violation of NRS 200.463, 200.464 or 200.465, trafficking in persons in violation of NRS 200.467 or





200.468, the commission of any offense which is made a felony by the provisions of chapter 453 or 454 of NRS or a violation of NRS 463.160 or 465.086 ... or a violation of section 2 of this act.

- 2. A provider of electronic communication service or a public utility, an officer, employee or agent thereof or another person associated with the provider of electronic communication service or public utility who, pursuant to an order issued pursuant to subsection 1, provides information or otherwise assists an investigative or law enforcement officer in the interception of a wire, electronic or oral communication is immune from any liability relating to any interception made pursuant to the order.
- 3. As used in this section, "sexual offense against a child" includes any act upon a child constituting:
 - (a) Incest pursuant to NRS 201.180;
 - (b) Lewdness with a child pursuant to NRS 201.230;
 - (c) Sado-masochistic abuse pursuant to NRS 201.262;
 - (d) Sexual assault pursuant to NRS 200.366;
 - (e) Statutory sexual seduction pursuant to NRS 200.368;
 - (f) Open or gross lewdness pursuant to NRS 201.210; or
- (g) Luring a child or a person with mental illness pursuant to NRS 201.560, if punished as a felony.
 - **Sec. 13.** (Deleted by amendment.)
 - **Sec. 14.** (Deleted by amendment.)
 - Sec. 15. (Deleted by amendment.)
- 25 **Sec. 16.** (Deleted by amendment.)
- 26 **Sec. 17.** (Deleted by amendment.)
- Sec. 18. NRS 213.1258 is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 213.1258 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, if the Board releases on parole a prisoner convicted of stalking with the use of an Internet or network site, electronic mail, text messaging or any other similar means of communication pursuant to subsection 4 of NRS 200.575, an offense involving pornography and a minor pursuant to NRS 200.710 to 200.730, inclusive, [or] luring a child or a person with mental illness through the use of a computer, system or network pursuant to paragraph (a) or (b) of subsection 4 of NRS 201.560 f or a violation of section 2 of this act which involved the use of an electronic communication device, the Board shall, in addition to any other condition of parole, require as a condition of parole that the parolee not own or use a computer, including, without limitation, use electronic mail, a chat room or the Internet.
 - 2. The Board is not required to impose a condition of parole set forth in subsection 1 if the Board finds that:
 - (a) The use of a computer by the parolee will assist a law enforcement agency or officer in a criminal investigation;



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- (b) The parolee will use the computer to provide technological training concerning technology of which the defendant has a unique knowledge; or
- (c) The use of the computer by the parolee will assist companies that require the use of the specific technological knowledge of the parolee that is unique and is otherwise unavailable to the company.
- 3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 1, if the Board releases on parole a prisoner convicted of an offense that involved the use of a computer, system or network, the Board may, in addition to any other condition of parole, require as a condition of parole that the parolee not own or use a computer, including, without limitation, use electronic mail, a chat room or the Internet.
 - 4. As used in this section:

- (a) "Computer" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 205.4735 [...] and includes, without limitation, an electronic communication device.
- (b) "Electronic communication device" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 200.737.
- (c) "Network" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 205.4745. [(c)] (d) "System" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 205.476.
- [(d)] (e) "Text messaging" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 200.575.
 - **Sec. 19.** NRS 288.150 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 288.150 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6 and NRS 354.6241, every local government employer shall negotiate in good faith through one or more representatives of its own choosing concerning the mandatory subjects of bargaining set forth in subsection 2 with the designated representatives of the recognized employee organization, if any, for each appropriate bargaining unit among its employees. If either party so requests, agreements reached must be reduced to writing.
 - 2. The scope of mandatory bargaining is limited to:
- (a) Salary or wage rates or other forms of direct monetary compensation.
 - (b) Sick leave.
 - (c) Vacation leave.
 - (d) Holidays.
 - (e) Other paid or nonpaid leaves of absence.
 - (f) Insurance benefits.
- (g) Total hours of work required of an employee on each workday or workweek.
- (h) Total number of days' work required of an employee in a work year.





- (i) Except as otherwise provided in subsections 8 and 11, discharge and disciplinary procedures.
 - (j) Recognition clause.

- (k) The method used to classify employees in the bargaining unit.
 - (1) Deduction of dues for the recognized employee organization.
- (m) Protection of employees in the bargaining unit from discrimination because of participation in recognized employee organizations consistent with the provisions of this chapter.
- (n) No-strike provisions consistent with the provisions of this chapter.
- (o) Grievance and arbitration procedures for resolution of disputes relating to interpretation or application of collective bargaining agreements.
 - (p) General savings clauses.
 - (q) Duration of collective bargaining agreements.
 - (r) Safety of the employee.
 - (s) Teacher preparation time.
 - (t) Materials and supplies for classrooms.
- (u) Except as otherwise provided in subsections 9 and 11, the policies for the transfer and reassignment of teachers.
- (v) Procedures for reduction in workforce consistent with the provisions of this chapter.
- (w) Procedures consistent with the provisions of subsection 6 for the reopening of collective bargaining agreements for additional, further, new or supplementary negotiations during periods of fiscal emergency.
- 3. Those subject matters which are not within the scope of mandatory bargaining and which are reserved to the local government employer without negotiation include:
- (a) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (u) of subsection 2, the right to hire, direct, assign or transfer an employee, but excluding the right to assign or transfer an employee as a form of discipline.
- (b) The right to reduce in force or lay off any employee because of lack of work or lack of money, subject to paragraph (v) of subsection 2.
 - (c) The right to determine:
- (1) Appropriate staffing levels and work performance standards, except for safety considerations;
- (2) The content of the workday, including without limitation workload factors, except for safety considerations;
- (3) The quality and quantity of services to be offered to the public; and
 - (4) The means and methods of offering those services.





(d) Safety of the public.

- 4. The provisions of NRS 245.063, 268.4069 and 391.1605 are not subject to negotiations with an employee organization. Any provision of a collective bargaining agreement negotiated pursuant to this chapter which differs from or conflicts in any way with the provisions of NRS 245.063, 268.4069 or 391.1605 is unenforceable and void.
- 5. If the local government employer is a school district, any money appropriated by the State to carry out increases in salaries or benefits for the employees of the school district is subject to negotiations with an employee organization.
- 6. Notwithstanding the provisions of any collective bargaining agreement negotiated pursuant to this chapter, a local government employer is entitled to:
- (a) Reopen a collective bargaining agreement for additional, further, new or supplementary negotiations relating to compensation or monetary benefits during a period of fiscal emergency. Negotiations must begin not later than 21 days after the local government employer notifies the employee organization that a fiscal emergency exists. For the purposes of this section, a fiscal emergency shall be deemed to exist:
- (1) If the amount of revenue received by the general fund of the local government employer during the last preceding fiscal year from all sources, except any nonrecurring source, declined by 5 percent or more from the amount of revenue received by the general fund from all sources, except any nonrecurring source, during the next preceding fiscal year, as reflected in the reports of the annual audits conducted for those fiscal years for the local government employer pursuant to NRS 354.624; or
- (2) If the local government employer has budgeted an unreserved ending fund balance in its general fund for the current fiscal year in an amount equal to 4 percent or less of the actual expenditures from the general fund for the last preceding fiscal year, and the local government employer has provided a written explanation of the budgeted ending fund balance to the Department of Taxation that includes the reason for the ending fund balance and the manner in which the local government employer plans to increase the ending fund balance.
- (b) Take whatever actions may be necessary to carry out its responsibilities in situations of emergency such as a riot, military action, natural disaster or civil disorder. Those actions may include the suspension of any collective bargaining agreement for the duration of the emergency.
- Any action taken under the provisions of this subsection must not be construed as a failure to negotiate in good faith.





- 7. The provisions of this chapter, including without limitation the provisions of this section, recognize and declare the ultimate right and responsibility of the local government employer to manage its operation in the most efficient manner consistent with the best interests of all its citizens, its taxpayers and its employees.
- 8. If the sponsor of a charter school reconstitutes the governing body of a charter school pursuant to NRS 388A.330, the new governing body may terminate the employment of any teachers or other employees of the charter school, and any provision of any agreement negotiated pursuant to this chapter that provides otherwise is unenforceable and void.
- 9. The board of trustees of a school district in which a school is designated as a turnaround school pursuant to NRS 388G.400 or the principal of such a school, as applicable, may take any action authorized pursuant to NRS 388G.400, including, without limitation:
 - (a) Reassigning any member of the staff of such a school; or
- (b) If the staff member of another public school consents, reassigning that member of the staff of the other public school to such a school.
- 10. Any provision of an agreement negotiated pursuant to this chapter which differs from or conflicts in any way with the provisions of subsection 9 or imposes consequences on the board of trustees of a school district or the principal of a school for taking any action authorized pursuant to subsection 9 is unenforceable and void.
- 11. The board of trustees of a school district or the governing body of a charter school or university school for profoundly gifted pupils may use a substantiated report of the abuse or neglect of a child or a violation of NRS 201.540, 201.560, 392.4633 or 394.366 or section 2 of this act obtained from the Statewide Central Registry for the Collection of Information Concerning the Abuse or Neglect of a Child established by NRS 432.100 or an equivalent registry maintained by a governmental agency in another jurisdiction for the purposes authorized by NRS 388A.515, 388C.200, 391.033, 391.104 or 391.281, as applicable. Such purposes may include, without limitation, making a determination concerning the assignment, discipline or termination of an employee. Any provision of any agreement negotiated pursuant to this chapter which conflicts with the provisions of this subsection is unenforceable and void.
- 12. This section does not preclude, but this chapter does not require, the local government employer to negotiate subject matters enumerated in subsection 3 which are outside the scope of mandatory bargaining. The local government employer shall discuss





subject matters outside the scope of mandatory bargaining but it is not required to negotiate those matters.

- 13. Contract provisions presently existing in signed and ratified agreements as of May 15, 1975, at 12 p.m. remain negotiable.
- 14. As used in this section, "abuse or neglect of a child" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 392.281.

Sec. 20. NRS 388A.515 is hereby amended to read as follows:

388A.515 1. Each applicant for employment with and employee at a charter school, except a licensed teacher or other person licensed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and, except as otherwise provided in NRS 388A.516, each volunteer at a charter school who is likely to have unsupervised contact with pupils, must, before beginning his or her employment or service as a volunteer and at least once every 5 years thereafter, submit to the governing body of the charter school:

- (a) A complete set of the applicant's, employee's or volunteer's fingerprints and written permission authorizing the governing body to forward the fingerprints to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History for its report on the criminal history of the applicant, or employee or volunteer and for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report on the criminal history of the applicant, employee or volunteer; and
- (b) Written authorization for the governing body to obtain any information concerning the applicant, employee or volunteer that may be available from the Statewide Central Registry for the Collection of Information Concerning the Abuse or Neglect of a Child established by NRS 432.100 and any equivalent registry maintained by a governmental entity in a jurisdiction in which the applicant, employee or volunteer has resided within the immediately preceding 5 years.
- 2. In conducting an investigation into the background of an applicant, employee or volunteer, the governing body of a charter school may cooperate with any appropriate law enforcement agency to obtain information relating to the background of the applicant, employee or volunteer, including, without limitation, any record of warrants for the arrest of or applications for protective orders against the applicant, employee or volunteer.
- 3. If the information obtained by the governing body pursuant to subsection 1 or 2 or subsection 5 of NRS 388A.516 indicates that the applicant, employee or volunteer has not been convicted of a crime listed in NRS 388A.5342, the governing body of the charter school may employ the applicant or employee or accept the volunteer, as applicable.
- 4. If the information obtained by the governing body pursuant to subsection 1 or 2 or subsection 5 of NRS 388A.516 indicates that





the applicant, employee or volunteer has been convicted of a crime listed in NRS 388A.5342, and the governing body of the charter school does not disqualify the applicant or employee from employment or the volunteer from serving as a volunteer on the basis of that information, the governing body shall, upon the written authorization of the applicant, employee or volunteer, forward a copy of the information to the Superintendent of Public Instruction. If the applicant, employee or volunteer refuses to provide his or her written authorization to forward a copy of the information pursuant to this subsection, the charter school shall not employ the applicant or employee or accept the volunteer, as applicable.

- Not later than 15 days after receiving the information obtained by the governing body pursuant to subsection 1 or 2 or subsection 5 of NRS 388A.516, the Superintendent of Public Instruction or the Superintendent's designee shall review the information to determine whether the conviction of the applicant, employee or volunteer is related or unrelated to the position with the charter school for which the applicant has applied or in which the employee is employed or the volunteer wishes to serve. The applicant, employee or volunteer shall, upon the request of the Superintendent of Public Instruction or the Superintendent's designee, provide any further information that the Superintendent or the designee determines is necessary to make the determination. If the governing body of the charter school desires to employ the applicant or employee or accept the volunteer, the governing body shall, upon the request of the Superintendent of Public Instruction or the Superintendent's designee, provide any further information that the Superintendent or the designee determines is necessary to make the determination. The Superintendent of Public Instruction or the Superintendent's designee shall provide written notice of the determination to the applicant, employee or volunteer and to the governing body of the charter school.
- 6. If the Superintendent of Public Instruction or the Superintendent's designee determines that the conviction of the applicant, employee or volunteer is related to the position with the charter school for which the applicant has applied or in which the employee is employed or the volunteer wishes to serve, the governing body of the charter school shall not employ the applicant or employee or accept the volunteer, as applicable. If the Superintendent of Public Instruction or the Superintendent's designee determines that the conviction of the applicant, employee or volunteer is unrelated to the position with the charter school for which the applicant has applied or in which the employee is employed or the volunteer wishes to serve, the governing body of





the charter school may employ the applicant or employee for that position or accept the volunteer, as applicable.

- 7. The governing body of a charter school may use a substantiated report of the abuse or neglect of a child, as defined in NRS 392.281, or a violation of NRS 201.540, 201.560, 392.4633 or 394.366 *or section 2 of this act* obtained from the Statewide Central Registry or an equivalent registry maintained by a governmental agency in another jurisdiction:
- (a) In making determinations concerning assignments, requiring retraining, imposing discipline, hiring, accepting a volunteer or termination; and
- (b) In any proceedings to which the report is relevant, including, without limitation, an action for trespass or a restraining order.
 - 8. The governing body of a charter school:
- (a) May accept gifts, grants and donations to carry out the provisions of this section and NRS 388A.516.
- (b) May not be held liable for damages resulting from any action of the governing body authorized by subsection 2 or 7 or NRS 388A.516.
- **Sec. 21.** NRS 388A.5342 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 388A.5342 The governing body of a charter school shall terminate the employment of any teacher or administrator who is employed by the charter school but is not licensed pursuant to chapter 391 of NRS upon his or her conviction of a:
 - 1. Felony or crime involving moral turpitude; [or]
- 2. Sex offense pursuant to NRS 200.366, 200.368, 201.190, 201.220, 201.230, 201.540 or 201.560 [...]; or
 - 3. Violation of section 2 of this act.
 - **Sec. 22.** NRS 388C.200 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 388C.200 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 388C.205, each applicant for employment with and employee at a university school for profoundly gifted pupils, except a licensed teacher or other person licensed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and each volunteer at a university school for profoundly gifted pupils who is likely to have unsupervised contact with pupils, must, before beginning his or her employment or service as a volunteer and at least once every 5 years thereafter, submit to the governing body of the university school:
- (a) A complete set of his or her fingerprints and written permission authorizing the governing body to forward the fingerprints to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History for its report on the criminal history of the applicant, employee or volunteer and for submission to the Federal





Bureau of Investigation for its report on the criminal history of the applicant, employee or volunteer; and

- (b) Written authorization for the governing body to obtain any information concerning the applicant, employee or volunteer that may be available from the Statewide Central Registry for the Collection of Information Concerning the Abuse or Neglect of a Child established by NRS 432.100 and any equivalent registry maintained by a governmental entity in a jurisdiction in which the applicant, employee or volunteer has resided within the immediately preceding 5 years.
- 2. In conducting an investigation into the background of an applicant, employee or volunteer, the governing body of a university school for profoundly gifted pupils may cooperate with any appropriate law enforcement agency to obtain information relating to the background of the applicant, employee or volunteer, including, without limitation, any record of warrants for the arrest of or applications for protective orders against the applicant, employee or volunteer.
- 3. If the information obtained by the governing body pursuant to subsection 1 or 2 or subsection 5 of NRS 388C.205 indicates that the applicant, employee or volunteer has not been convicted of a felony or an offense involving moral turpitude, the governing body of the university school for profoundly gifted pupils may employ the applicant or employee or accept the volunteer, as applicable.
- If the information obtained by the governing body pursuant to subsection 1 or 2 or subsection 5 of NRS 388C.205 indicates that the applicant, employee or volunteer has been convicted of a felony or an offense involving moral turpitude and the governing body of the university school for profoundly gifted pupils does not disqualify the applicant or employee from employment or the volunteer from serving as a volunteer on the basis of that report, the governing body shall, upon the written authorization the applicant, employee or volunteer forward a copy of the information to the Superintendent of Public Instruction. If the applicant, employee or volunteer refuses to provide his or her written authorization to forward a copy of the report pursuant to this subsection, the university school shall not employ the applicant or employee or accept the volunteer, as applicable.
- 5. The Superintendent of Public Instruction or the Superintendent's designee shall promptly review the information to determine whether the conviction of the applicant, employee or volunteer is related or unrelated to the position with the university school for profoundly gifted pupils for which the applicant has applied or in which the employee is employed or the volunteer wishes to serve. The applicant, employee or volunteer shall, upon





the request of the Superintendent of Public Instruction or the 1 2 Superintendent's designee, provide any further information that the Superintendent or the designee determines is necessary to make 3 the determination. If the governing body of the university school 4 5 desires to employ the applicant or employee or accept the volunteer, 6 the governing body shall, upon the request of the Superintendent of 7 Public Instruction or the Superintendent's designee, provide any further information that the Superintendent or the designee 8 9 to make the determines is necessary determination. Superintendent of Public Instruction or the Superintendent's 10 designee shall provide written notice of the determination to the 11 12 applicant, employee or volunteer and to the governing body of the 13 university school.

- 6. If the Superintendent of Public Instruction or Superintendent's designee determines that the conviction of the applicant, employee or volunteer is related to the position with the university school for profoundly gifted pupils for which the applicant has applied or in which the employee is employed or the volunteer wishes to serve, the governing body of the university school shall not employ the applicant or employee or accept the volunteer, as applicable. If the Superintendent of Public Instruction or the Superintendent's designee determines that the conviction of the applicant, employee or volunteer is unrelated to the position with the university school for which the applicant has applied or in which the employee is employed or the volunteer wishes to serve, the governing body of the university school may employ the applicant or employee for that position or accept the volunteer, as applicable.
- 7. The governing body of a university school for profoundly gifted pupils may use a substantiated report of the abuse or neglect of a child, as defined in NRS 392.281, or a violation of NRS 201.540, 201.560, 392.4633 or 394.366 *or section 2 of this act* obtained from the Statewide Central Registry or an equivalent registry maintained by a governmental agency in another jurisdiction:
- (a) In making determinations concerning assignments, requiring retraining, imposing discipline, hiring, accepting a volunteer or termination; and
- (b) In any proceedings to which the report is relevant, including, without limitation, an action for trespass or a restraining order.
- 8. The governing body of a university school for profoundly gifted pupils:
- (a) May accept any gifts, grants and donations to carry out the provisions of this section and NRS 388C.205.



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- (b) May not be held liable for damages resulting from any action of the governing body authorized by subsection 2 or 7 or NRS 388C.205.
 - **Sec. 23.** NRS 391.033 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 391.033 1. All licenses for teachers and other educational personnel are granted by the Superintendent of Public Instruction pursuant to regulations adopted by the Commission and as otherwise provided by law.
- 2. An application for the issuance of a license must include the social security number of the applicant.
- 3. Every applicant for a license must submit with his or her application:
- (a) A complete set of his or her fingerprints and written permission authorizing the Superintendent to forward the fingerprints to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History for its initial report on the criminal history of the applicant and for reports thereafter upon renewal of the license pursuant to subsection 8 of NRS 179A.075, and for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report on the criminal history of the applicant; and
- (b) Written authorization for the Superintendent to obtain any information concerning the applicant that may be available from the Statewide Central Registry and any equivalent registry maintained by a governmental entity in a jurisdiction in which the applicant has resided within the immediately preceding 5 years.
- 4. In conducting an investigation into the background of an applicant for a license, the Superintendent may cooperate with any appropriate law enforcement agency to obtain information relating to the criminal history of the applicant, including, without limitation, any record of warrants for the arrest of or applications for protective orders against the applicant.
- 5. The Superintendent may issue a provisional license pending receipt of the reports of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History if the Superintendent determines that the applicant is otherwise qualified.
- 6. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 8, a license must be issued to, or renewed for, as applicable, an applicant if:
- (a) The Superintendent determines that the applicant is qualified;
- (b) The information obtained by the Superintendent pursuant to subsections 3 and 4:
- (1) Does not indicate that the applicant has been convicted of a felony or any offense involving moral turpitude or indicates that the applicant has been convicted of a felony or an offense involving moral turpitude but the Superintendent determines that the





conviction is unrelated to the position within the county school district or charter school for which the applicant applied or for which he or she is currently employed, as applicable;

- (2) Does not indicate that there has been a substantiated report of abuse or neglect of a child, as defined in NRS 432B.020, or a violation of NRS 201.540, 201.560, 392.4633 or 394.366 or section 2 of this act made against the applicant in any state; and
- (3) Does not indicate that the applicant has a warrant for his or her arrest; and
- (c) For initial licensure, the applicant submits the statement required pursuant to NRS 391.034.
- 7. If, pursuant to subparagraph (2) of paragraph (b) of subsection 6, the information indicates that a substantiated report has been made against the applicant in any state, the Superintendent shall:
 - (a) Suspend the application process;
 - (b) Notify the applicant of the substantiated report; and
- (c) Provide the applicant an opportunity to rebut the substantiated report.
- 8. The Superintendent may deny an application for a license pursuant to this section if:
- (a) A report on the criminal history of the applicant from the Federal Bureau of Investigation or the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History indicates that the applicant has been arrested for or charged with a sexual offense involving a minor or pupil, including, without limitation, any attempt, solicitation or conspiracy to commit such an offense; and
 - (b) The Superintendent provides to the applicant:
- (1) Written notice of his or her intent to deny the application; and
 - (2) An opportunity for the applicant to have a hearing.
- 9. To request a hearing pursuant to subsection 8, an applicant must submit a written request to the Superintendent within 15 days after receipt of the notice by the applicant. Such a hearing must be conducted in accordance with regulations adopted by the State Board. If no request for a hearing is filed within that time, the Superintendent may deny the license.
- 10. If the Superintendent denies an application for a license pursuant to this section, the Superintendent must, within 15 days after the date on which the application is denied, provide notice of the denial to the school district or charter school that employs the applicant if the applicant is employed by a school district or charter school. Such a notice must not state the reasons for denial.
 - 11. The Department shall:





- (a) Maintain a list of the names of persons whose applications for a license are denied due to conviction of a sexual offense involving a minor;
- (b) Update the list maintained pursuant to paragraph (a) monthly; and
- (c) Provide this list to the board of trustees of a school district or the governing body of a charter school upon request.
- The Superintendent shall forward all information obtained from an investigation of an applicant pursuant to subsections 3 and 4 to the board of trustees of a school district, the governing body of a charter school or university school for profoundly gifted pupils or the administrator of a private school where the applicant is employed or seeking employment. Except as otherwise provided in this section, any information shared with the board of trustees of a school district, the governing body of a charter school or university school for profoundly gifted pupils or the administrator of a private school is confidential and must not be disclosed to any person other than the applicant. The board of trustees, governing body or administrator, as applicable, may use a substantiated report of the abuse or neglect of a child, as defined in NRS 392.281, or a violation of NRS 201.540, 201.560, 392.4633 or 394.366 or section 2 of this act obtained from the Statewide Central Registry or an equivalent registry maintained by a governmental agency in another iurisdiction:
- (a) In making determinations concerning assignments, requiring retraining, imposing discipline, hiring or termination; and
- (b) In any proceedings to which the report is relevant, including, without limitation, an action for trespass or a restraining order.
- 13. The Superintendent, the board of trustees of a school district, the governing body of a charter school or university school for profoundly gifted pupils or the administrator of a private school may not be held liable for damages resulting from any action of the Superintendent, board of trustees, governing body or administrator, as applicable, authorized by subsection 4 or 12.
- 14. The Superintendent may enter into reciprocal agreements with appropriate officials of other countries concerning the licensing of teachers.
- 15. As used in this section, "sexual offense" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 179D.097.
 - **Sec. 24.** NRS 391.104 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 391.104 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 391.105, each applicant for employment pursuant to NRS 391.100 or employee, except a teacher or other person licensed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, or volunteer who is likely to have unsupervised contact with pupils, must, before beginning his or





her employment or service as a volunteer and at least once every 5 years thereafter, submit to the school district:

- (a) A full set of the applicant's, employee's or volunteer's fingerprints and written permission authorizing the school district to forward the fingerprints to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History for its report on the criminal history of the applicant, employee or volunteer and for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report on the criminal history of the applicant, employee or volunteer; and
- (b) Written authorization for the board of trustees of the school district to obtain any information concerning the applicant, employee or volunteer that may be available from the Statewide Central Registry and any equivalent registry maintained by a governmental entity in a jurisdiction in which the applicant, employee or volunteer has resided within the immediately preceding 5 years.
- 2. In conducting an investigation into the background of an applicant, employee or volunteer, a school district may cooperate with any appropriate law enforcement agency to obtain information relating to the criminal history of the applicant, employee or volunteer, including, without limitation, any record of warrants for the arrest of or applications for protective orders against the applicant, employee or volunteer.
- 3. The board of trustees of a school district may use a substantiated report of the abuse or neglect of a child, as defined in NRS 392.281, or a violation of NRS 201.540, 201.560, 392.4633 or 394.366 *or section 2 of this act* obtained from the Statewide Central Registry or an equivalent registry maintained by a governmental agency in another jurisdiction:
- (a) When making determinations concerning assignments, requiring retraining, imposing discipline, hiring, accepting a volunteer or termination; and
- (b) In any proceedings to which the report is relevant, including, without limitation, an action for trespass or a restraining order.
- 4. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 5, the board of trustees of a school district shall not require a licensed teacher or other person licensed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction pursuant to NRS 391.033 who has taken a leave of absence from employment authorized by the school district, including, without limitation:
 - (a) Sick leave:
 - (b) Sabbatical leave;
- (c) Personal leave;
- (d) Leave for attendance at a regular or special session of the Legislature of this State if the employee is a member thereof;





(e) Maternity leave; and

- (f) Leave permitted by the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, 29 U.S.C. §§ 2601 et seq.,
- to submit a set of his or her fingerprints as a condition of return to or continued employment with the school district if the employee is in good standing when the employee began the leave.
- 5. A board of trustees of a school district may ask the Superintendent of Public Instruction to require a person licensed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction pursuant to NRS 391.033 who has taken a leave of absence from employment authorized by the school district to submit a set of his or her fingerprints as a condition of return to or continued employment with the school district if the board of trustees has probable cause to believe that the person has committed a felony or an offense involving moral turpitude during the period of his or her leave of absence.
 - 6. The board of trustees of a school district:
- (a) May accept any gifts, grants and donations to carry out the provisions of subsections 1 and 2 and NRS 391.105.
- (b) May not be held liable for damages resulting from any action of the board of trustees authorized by subsection 2 or 3 or NRS 391.105.
 - **Sec. 25.** NRS 391.281 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 391.281 1. Each applicant for employment or appointment pursuant to this section or employee, except a teacher or other person licensed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, must, before beginning his or her employment or appointment and at least once every 5 years thereafter, submit to the school district:
- (a) A full set of the applicant's or employee's fingerprints and written permission authorizing the school district to forward the fingerprints to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History for its report on the criminal history of the applicant or employee and for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report on the criminal history of the applicant or employee.
- (b) Written authorization for the board of trustees of the school district to obtain any information concerning the applicant or employee that may be available from the Statewide Central Registry and any equivalent registry maintained by a governmental entity in a jurisdiction in which the applicant or employee has resided within the immediately preceding 5 years.
- 2. In conducting an investigation into the background of an applicant or employee, a school district may cooperate with any appropriate law enforcement agency to obtain information relating to the criminal history of the applicant or employee, including,





without limitation, any record of warrants for the arrest of or applications for protective orders against the applicant or employee.

- 3. The board of trustees of a school district may use a substantiated report of the abuse or neglect of a child, as defined in NRS 392.281, or a violation of NRS 201.540, 201.560, 392.4633 or 394.366 *or section 2 of this act* obtained from the Statewide Central Registry or an equivalent registry maintained by a governmental agency in another jurisdiction:
- (a) In making determinations concerning assignments, requiring retraining, imposing discipline, hiring or termination; and
- (b) In any proceedings to which the report is relevant, including, without limitation, an action for trespass or a restraining order.
 - 4. The board of trustees of a school district:
- (a) May accept any gifts, grants and donations to carry out the provisions of subsections 1 and 2.
- (b) May not be held liable for damages resulting from any action of the board of trustees authorized by subsection 2 or 3.
- 5. The board of trustees of a school district may employ or appoint persons to serve as school police officers. If the board of trustees of a school district employs or appoints persons to serve as school police officers, the board of trustees shall employ a law enforcement officer to serve as the chief of school police who is supervised by the superintendent of schools of the school district. The chief of school police shall supervise each person appointed or employed by the board of trustees as a school police officer, including any school police officer that provides services to a charter school pursuant to a contract entered into with the board of trustees pursuant to NRS 388A.384. In addition, persons who provide police services pursuant to subsection 6 or 7 shall be deemed school police officers.
- 6. The board of trustees of a school district in a county that has a metropolitan police department created pursuant to chapter 280 of NRS may contract with the metropolitan police department for the provision and supervision of police services in the public schools within the jurisdiction of the metropolitan police department and on property therein that is owned by the school district and on property therein that is owned or occupied by a charter school if the board of trustees has entered into a contract with the charter school for the provision of school police officers pursuant to NRS 388A.384. If a contract is entered into pursuant to this subsection, the contract must make provision for the transfer of each school police officer employed by the board of trustees to the metropolitan police department. If the board of trustees of a school district contracts with a metropolitan police department pursuant to this subsection, the board of trustees shall, if applicable, cooperate with appropriate





local law enforcement agencies within the school district for the provision and supervision of police services in the public schools within the school district, including, without limitation, any charter school with which the school district has entered into a contract for the provision of school police officers pursuant to NRS 388A.384, and on property owned by the school district and, if applicable, the property owned or occupied by the charter school, but outside the jurisdiction of the metropolitan police department.

- 7. The board of trustees of a school district in a county that does not have a metropolitan police department created pursuant to chapter 280 of NRS may contract with the sheriff of that county for the provision of police services in the public schools within the school district, including, without limitation, in any charter school with which the board of trustees has entered into a contract for the provision of school police officers pursuant to NRS 388A.384, and on property therein that is owned by the school district and, if applicable, the property owned or occupied by the charter school.
- 8. The board of trustees of a school district shall ensure that each school police officer receives training in the prevention of suicide before beginning his or her service as a school police officer.

Sec. 26. NRS 391.330 is hereby amended to read as follows:

391.330 1. The State Board may suspend or revoke the license of any teacher, administrator or other licensed employee, or may issue a letter of reprimand to any teacher, administrator or other licensed employee, after notice and an opportunity for hearing have been provided pursuant to NRS 391.322 and 391.323, for:

- (a) Unprofessional conduct.
- (b) Immorality, as defined in NRS 391.650.
- (c) Evident unfitness for service.
- (d) Physical or mental incapacity which renders the teacher, administrator or other licensed employee unfit for service.
 - (e) Conviction of a felony or crime involving moral turpitude.
- (f) Conviction of a sex offense under NRS 200.366, 200.368, 201.190, 201.220, 201.230, 201.540 or 201.560 in which a pupil enrolled in a school of a county school district was the victim.
 - (g) Conviction of a violation of section 2 of this act.
- (h) Knowingly advocating the overthrow of the Federal Government or of the State of Nevada by force, violence or unlawful means.
- [(h)] (i) Persistent defiance of or refusal to obey the regulations of the State Board, the Commission or the Superintendent of Public Instruction, defining and governing the duties of teachers, administrators and other licensed employees.
- [(i)] (j) Breaches in the security or confidentiality of the questions and answers of the examinations that are administered





pursuant to NRS 390.105 and the college and career readiness assessment administered pursuant to NRS 390.610.

[(j)] (k) Intentional failure to observe and carry out the requirements of a plan to ensure the security of examinations and assessments adopted pursuant to NRS 390.270 or 390.275.

(k) An intentional violation of NRS 388.497 or 388.499.

(m) Knowingly and willfully failing to comply with the provisions of NRS 388.1351.

[(m)] (n) A substantiated report of abuse or neglect of a child, as defined in NRS 432B.020, or a violation of NRS 201.540, 201.560, 392.4633 or 394.366 or section 2 of this act made against the applicant in any state.

- 2. The State Board shall adopt regulations governing the process by which a letter of reprimand may be issued to a teacher, administrator or other licensed employee pursuant to this section, including, without limitation, regulations concerning the time period during which a letter of reprimand will remain on the record of the teacher, administrator or other licensed employee.
- 3. A teacher, administrator or other licensed employee whose license is suspended pursuant to this section:
- (a) May apply to reinstate his or her license after the period of suspension, as determined by the State Board, is completed; and
- (b) If he or she applies to reinstate his or her license pursuant to paragraph (a), shall:
- (1) Submit a new application for licensure to the Department; and
 - (2) Pay the appropriate fee for licensure.
- 4. A teacher, administrator or other licensed employee whose license is revoked may not apply to reinstate his or her license and the Department shall not grant a new license to such a person.
 - Sec. 26.5. NRS 391.355 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 391.355 1. The State Board shall adopt rules of procedure for the conduct of hearings conducted pursuant to NRS 391.323.
- 2. The rules of procedure must provide for boards of trustees of school districts, governing bodies of charter schools or the Superintendent of Public Instruction or the Superintendent's designee to bring charges, when cause exists.
 - 3. The rules of procedure must provide that:
- (a) The licensed employee, board of trustees of a school district, governing body of a charter school and Superintendent are entitled to be heard, to be represented by an attorney and to call witnesses in their behalf.
- (b) The hearing officer selected pursuant to NRS 391.322 is entitled to be reimbursed for his or her reasonable actual expenses.





- (c) If requested by the hearing officer selected pursuant to NRS 391.322, an official transcript must be made.
- (d) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (e), the State Board, licensed employee and the Department, board of trustees of a school district or governing body of a charter school which initiated the complaint resulting in the hearing are equally responsible for the expense of and compensation for the hearing officer selected pursuant to NRS 391.322 and the expense of the official transcript. The State Board may bill the licensed employee or the Department, board of trustees of a school district or governing body of a charter school which initiated the complaint resulting in the hearing for their percentage of any expenses incurred pursuant to this paragraph.
- (e) If the hearing results from a recommendation to revoke or suspend a license based upon a conviction which is a ground for the suspension or revocation of a license pursuant to paragraph (e), [or] (f) or (g) of subsection 1 of NRS 391.330, the licensed employee is fully responsible for the expense of and compensation for the hearing officer selected pursuant to NRS 391.322 and the expense of the official transcript. The State Board may bill the licensed employee for such expenses.
- 4. A hearing officer selected pursuant to NRS 391.322 shall, upon the request of a party, issue subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of books, records, documents or other pertinent information to be used as evidence in hearings conducted pursuant to NRS 391.323.
- **Sec. 27.** NRS 391.650 is hereby amended to read as follows: 391.650 As used in NRS 391.650 to 391.826, inclusive, unless the context otherwise requires:
- 1. "Administrator" means any employee who holds a license as an administrator and who is employed in that capacity by a school district.
- 2. "Board" means the board of trustees of the school district in which a licensed employee affected by NRS 391.650 to 391.826, inclusive, is employed.
- 3. "Demotion" means demotion of an administrator to a position of lesser rank, responsibility or pay and does not include transfer or reassignment for purposes of an administrative reorganization.
 - 4. "Immorality" means:
- (a) An act forbidden by NRS 200.366, 200.368, 200.400, 200.508, 201.180, 201.190, 201.210, 201.220, 201.230, 201.265, 201.540, 201.560, 207.260, 453.316 to 453.336, inclusive, except an act forbidden by NRS 453.337, 453.338, 453.3385 to 453.3405, inclusive, 453.560 or 453.562; or





- (b) An act forbidden by NRS 201.540 *or section 2 of this act* or any other sexual conduct or attempted sexual conduct with a pupil enrolled in an elementary or secondary school. As used in this paragraph, "sexual conduct" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 201.520.
- 5. "Postprobationary employee" means an administrator or a teacher who has completed the probationary period as provided in NRS 391.820 and has been given notice of reemployment. The term does not include a person who is deemed to be a probationary employee pursuant to NRS 391.730.
 - 6. "Probationary employee" means:

- (a) An administrator or a teacher who is employed for the period set forth in NRS 391.820; and
- (b) A person who is deemed to be a probationary employee pursuant to NRS 391.730.
- 7. "Superintendent" means the superintendent of a school district or a person designated by the board or superintendent to act as superintendent during the absence of the superintendent.
- 8. "Teacher" means a licensed employee the majority of whose working time is devoted to the rendering of direct educational service to pupils of a school district.
 - **Sec. 28.** NRS 391.760 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 391.760 1. If a superintendent has reason to believe that cause exists for the dismissal of a licensed employee and the superintendent is of the opinion that the immediate suspension of the employee is necessary in the best interests of the pupils in the district, the superintendent may suspend the employee without notice and without a hearing. Within 10 days after the suspension becomes effective, the superintendent shall begin proceedings pursuant to NRS 391.680 to 391.800, inclusive, to carry out the employee's dismissal. The employee is entitled to continue to receive his or her salary and other benefits after the suspension becomes effective until the date on which the dismissal proceedings are commenced.
- 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of NRS 391.750, a superintendent may suspend a licensed employee who has been officially charged but not yet convicted of a felony or a crime involving moral turpitude or immorality. If the charge is dismissed or if the employee is found not guilty, the employee must be reinstated with back pay, plus interest, and normal seniority. The superintendent shall notify the employee in writing of the suspension. Within 10 days after the date on which the employee receives such notice, the superintendent shall provide the employee with the opportunity for an informal hearing to address the circumstances relating to the charges and any other circumstances





relating to the suspension. The superintendent shall issue a written decision concerning the continuation of the suspension based on the information presented at the hearing. The employee is entitled to continue to receive his or her salary and other benefits after the suspension becomes effective until the date on which the superintendent issues the written decision. The superintendent may recommend that an employee who has been charged with a felony or a crime involving immorality be dismissed for another ground set forth in NRS 391.750.

- 3. If sufficient grounds for dismissal are not found to exist at the conclusion of the proceedings conducted pursuant to subsection 1 or 2, the employee must be reinstated with full compensation, plus interest.
- 4. A licensed employee who furnishes to the school district a bond or other form of security which is acceptable to the board as a guarantee that the employee will repay any amounts paid to him or her pursuant to this subsection as salary during a period of suspension is entitled to continue to receive his or her salary from the date on which the dismissal proceedings are commenced until the decision of the board or the report of the hearing officer, if the report is final and binding. The board shall not unreasonably refuse to accept a form of security other than a bond. An employee who receives a salary pursuant to this subsection shall repay it if the employee is dismissed or not reemployed as a result of a decision of the board or a report of a hearing officer.
- 5. A licensed employee who is convicted of a crime which requires registration pursuant to NRS 179D.010 to 179D.550, inclusive, or is convicted of an act forbidden by NRS 200.508, 201.190, 201.265, 201.540, 201.560 or 207.260 or section 2 of this act forfeits all rights of employment from the date of his or her arrest.
- 6. A licensed employee who is convicted of any crime and who is sentenced to and serves any sentence of imprisonment forfeits all rights of employment from the date of his or her arrest or the date on which his or her employment terminated, whichever is later.
- 7. A licensed employee who is charged with a felony or a crime involving immorality or moral turpitude and who waives his or her right to a speedy trial while suspended may receive no more than 12 months of back pay and seniority upon reinstatement if the employee is found not guilty or the charges are dismissed, unless proceedings have been begun to dismiss the employee upon one of the other grounds set forth in NRS 391.750.
- 8. A superintendent may discipline a licensed employee by suspending the employee with loss of pay at any time after a hearing has been held which affords the due process provided for in this





chapter. The grounds for suspension are the same as the grounds contained in NRS 391.750. An employee may be suspended more than once during the employee's contract year, but the total number of days of suspension may not exceed 20 in 1 contract year. Unless circumstances require otherwise, the suspensions must be progressively longer.

9. A licensed employee may be suspended pursuant to this section and admonished pursuant to NRS 391.755 for the same conduct.

Sec. 29. NRS 392.303 is hereby amended to read as follows:

392.303 1. In addition to the reporting required by NRS 432B.220, if, in his or her capacity as an employee of or volunteer for a public school or private school, such an employee or volunteer knows or has reasonable cause to believe that a child has been subjected to:

- (a) Abuse or neglect, sexual conduct in violation of NRS 201.540, [or] luring in violation of NRS 201.560 by another employee of or volunteer for a public school or private school [,] or a violation of section 2 of this act by another employee of or volunteer for a public or private school, the employee or volunteer who has such knowledge or reasonable cause to believe shall report the abuse or neglect, sexual conduct, [or] luring or other violation to the agency which provides child welfare services in the county in which the school is located and a law enforcement agency.
- (b) Corporal punishment in violation of NRS 392.4633 or 394.366 by another employee of or volunteer for a public school or private school, the employee or volunteer who has such knowledge or reasonable cause to believe shall report the corporal punishment to the agency which provides child welfare services in the county in which the school is located.
- 2. A report pursuant to subsection 1 must be made as soon as reasonably practicable but not later than 24 hours after the person knows or has reasonable cause to believe that the child has been subjected to abuse or neglect or a violation of NRS 201.540, 201.560, 392.4633 or 394.366 [...] or section 2 of this act.
- 3. If a law enforcement agency that receives a report pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 1 concludes that there is not probable cause to believe that the person allegedly responsible for the abuse or neglect or who allegedly violated NRS 201.540 or 201.560 or section 2 of this act committed the act of which he or she is accused, the law enforcement agency shall notify the agency which provides child welfare services of that determination.
- 4. If a school police officer receives a report pursuant to this section of an offense that is punishable as a category A felony, the





school police officer shall notify the local law enforcement agency that has jurisdiction over the school.

- 5. A law enforcement agency, other than a school police officer, shall notify a school police officer, if such an officer is employed in the school district, if the law enforcement agency receives a report pursuant to this section of an offense that is punishable as a felony and:
 - (a) Allegedly occurred:

- (1) On the property of a public school for which the board of trustees of the school district has employed or appointed school police officers;
 - (2) At an activity sponsored by such a school; or
- (3) On a school bus while the school bus was being used by such a school for an official school-related purpose; or
- (b) Was allegedly committed by a person who the law enforcement agency has reasonable cause to believe is an employee or volunteer of such a school.
- 6. An agency which provides child welfare services shall assess all allegations contained in any report made pursuant to this section and, if the agency deems appropriate, assign the matter for investigation.
- 7. Nothing in NRS 392.275 to 392.365, inclusive, shall be construed to prohibit an agency which provides child welfare services and a law enforcement agency from undertaking simultaneous investigations of the abuse or neglect of a child or a violation of NRS 201.540 or 201.560 [...] or section 2 of this act.
 - **Sec. 30.** 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 or section 2 of this act 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 [;] or section 2 of this act;

- 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 section 2 of this act* 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;
- 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. 31.** NRS 392.325 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 392.325 1. An agency which provides child welfare services investigating a report made pursuant to NRS 392.303 shall, upon request, provide to a person named in the report as allegedly causing the abuse or neglect of a child or violating the provisions of NRS 201.540, 201.560, 392.4633 or 394.366 [or section 2 of this act:
 - (a) A copy of:

- (1) Any statement made in writing to an investigator for the agency by the person; or
- (2) Any recording made by the agency of any statement made orally to an investigator for the agency by the person; or
- (b) A written summary of the allegations made against the person. The summary must not identify the person who made the report, any child witnesses to the allegations contained in the report or any collateral sources and reporting parties.
- 2. A person may authorize the release of information maintained by an agency which provides child welfare services pursuant to NRS 392.275 to 392.365, inclusive, about himself or herself, but may not waive the confidentiality of such information concerning any other person.
- 3. An agency which provides child welfare services may provide a summary of the outcome of an investigation of the allegations in a report made pursuant to NRS 392.303 to the person who made the report.
 - **Sec. 32.** NRS 392.337 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 392.337 1. An agency which provides child welfare services investigating a report made pursuant to NRS 392.303 shall, upon completing the investigation, notify the parent or guardian of the child who is the subject of the report of the disposition assigned to the report pursuant to NRS 392.339.
 - 2. If the report is substantiated, the agency shall:
- (a) Forward the report to the Department of Education, the board of trustees of the school district in which the school is located or the





governing body of the charter school or private school, as applicable, the appropriate local law enforcement agency within the county and the district attorney's office within the county for further investigation.

- (b) Provide written notification to the person who is named in the report as allegedly causing the abuse or neglect of the child or violating NRS 201.540, 201.560, 392.4633 or 394.366 *or section 2 of this act* which includes statements indicating that:
- (1) The report made against the person has been substantiated and the agency which provides child welfare services intends to place the person's name in the Central Registry pursuant to paragraph (a); and
- (2) The person may request an administrative appeal of the substantiation of the report and the agency's intention to place the person's name in the Central Registry by submitting a written request to the agency which provides child welfare services within the time required by NRS 392.345.
- (c) After the conclusion of any administrative appeal pursuant to NRS 392.345 or the expiration of the time period prescribed by that section for requesting an administrative appeal, whichever is later, report to the Central Registry:
- (1) Identifying and demographic information on the child who is the subject of the report, the parents of the child, any other person responsible for the welfare of the child and the person allegedly responsible for the conduct alleged in the report;
- (2) The facts of the alleged conduct, including the date and type of alleged conduct, a description of the alleged conduct, the severity of any injuries and, if applicable, any information concerning the death of the child; and
 - (3) The disposition of the case.
- (d) Provide to the parent or guardian of the child who is the subject of the report:
- (1) A written summary of the outcome of the investigation of the allegations in the report which must not identify the person who made the report, any child witnesses to the allegations in the report or any collateral sources and reporting parties; and
- (2) A summary of any disciplinary action taken against the person who is named in the report as allegedly causing the abuse or neglect of the child or violating NRS 201.540, 201.560, 392.4633 or 394.366 *or section 2 of this act* which is known by the agency, including, without limitation, whether the name of such person will be placed in the Central Registry.
- 3. A parent or guardian who receives information pursuant to paragraph (d) of subsection 2 may disclose the information to an





attorney for the child who is the subject of the report or the parent or guardian of the child.

- **Sec. 33.** NRS 394.155 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 394.155 1. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 394.157, each applicant for employment with or employee at a private school, except a licensed teacher or other person licensed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, or volunteer at a private school who is likely to have unsupervised contact with pupils, must, before beginning his or her employment or service as a volunteer and at least once every 5 years thereafter, submit to the administrator of the private school:
- (a) A complete set of the applicant's, employee's or volunteer's fingerprints and written permission authorizing the administrator to forward the fingerprints to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History for its report on the criminal history of the applicant, employee or volunteer and for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report on the criminal history of the applicant, employee or volunteer; and
- (b) Written authorization for the administrator to obtain any information concerning the applicant, employee or volunteer that may be available from the Statewide Central Registry for the Collection of Information Concerning the Abuse or Neglect of a Child established by NRS 432.100 and any equivalent registry maintained by a governmental entity in a jurisdiction in which the applicant, employee or volunteer has resided within the immediately preceding 5 years.
 - 2. The administrator of the private school shall:
- (a) Submit the fingerprints of the applicant to the Central Repository for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation and to such other law enforcement agencies as the administrator deems necessary; and
- (b) Request any information that may be available from the Statewide Central Registry for the Collection of Information Concerning the Abuse or Neglect of a Child established by NRS 432.100 and any equivalent registry maintained by a governmental entity in a jurisdiction in which the applicant, employee or volunteer has resided within the immediately preceding 5 years.
- 3. In conducting an investigation into the criminal history of an applicant, employee or volunteer, the administrator of a private school may cooperate with any appropriate law enforcement agency to obtain information relating to the criminal history of the applicant, employee or volunteer, including, without limitation, any record of warrants or applications for protective orders.
- 4. The administrator or governing body of a private school may use a substantiated report of the abuse or neglect of a child, as





defined in NRS 392.281, or a violation of NRS 201.540, 201.560, 392.4633 or 394.366 *or section 2 of this act* obtained from the Statewide Central Registry or an equivalent registry maintained by a governmental agency in another jurisdiction:

- (a) In making determinations concerning assignments, requiring retraining, imposing discipline, hiring, accepting a volunteer or termination; and
- (b) In any proceedings to which the report is relevant, including, without limitation, an action for trespass or a restraining order.
- 5. The administrator or governing body of a private school may not be held liable for damages resulting from taking any action authorized by subsection 3 or 4 or NRS 394.157.
 - **Sec. 34.** NRS 432.100 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 432.100 1. There is hereby established a Statewide Central Registry for the Collection of Information Concerning the Abuse or Neglect of a Child. This Central Registry must be maintained by the Division.
 - 2. The Central Registry must contain:
- (a) The information in any substantiated report of child abuse or neglect made pursuant to NRS 392.303 or 432B.220;
- (b) The information in any substantiated report of a violation of NRS 201.540, 201.560, 392.4633 or 394.366 *or section 2 of this act* made pursuant to NRS 392.303;
- (c) Statistical information on the protective services provided in this State; and
- (d) Any other information which the Division determines to be in furtherance of NRS 392.275 to 392.365, inclusive, 432.097 to 432.130, inclusive, and 432B.010 to 432B.400, inclusive.
- 3. The Division may release information contained in the Central Registry to an employer if:
- (a) The person who is the subject of a background investigation by the employer provides written authorization for the release of the information; and
 - (b) Either:

- (1) The employer is required by law to conduct the background investigation of the person for employment purposes; or
- (2) The person who is the subject of the background investigation could, in the course of his or her employment, have regular and substantial contact with children or regular and substantial contact with elderly persons who require assistance or care from other persons,
- 42 → but only to the extent necessary to inform the employer whether 43 the person who is the subject of the background investigation has 44 been found to have abused or neglected a child.





- 4. Except as otherwise provided in this section or by specific statute, information in the Central Registry may be accessed only by:
 - (a) An employee of the Division;

- (b) An agency which provides child welfare services;
- (c) An employee of the Division of Public and Behavioral Health of the Department who is obtaining information in accordance with NRS 432A.170; and
- (d) With the approval of the Administrator, an employee or contractor of any other state or local governmental agency responsible for the welfare of children who requests access to the information and who demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Administrator a bona fide need to access the information. Any approval or denial of a request submitted in accordance with this paragraph is at the sole discretion of the Administrator.

Sec. 35. NRS 432.120 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 432.120 1. Information contained in the Central Registry must not be released unless the right of the applicant to the information is confirmed, the information concerning the report of abuse or neglect of the child or a violation of NRS 201.540, 201.560, 392.4633 or 394.366 or section 2 of this act has been reported pursuant to NRS 392.337 or 432B.310, as applicable, the released information discloses the disposition of the case and, if the information is being provided pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 432.100, the person who is the subject of the background investigation provides written authorization for the release of the information.
- 2. The information contained in the Central Registry concerning cases in which a report of abuse or neglect of a child has been substantiated by an agency which provides child welfare services must be deleted from the Central Registry not later than 10 years after the child who is the subject of the report reaches the age of 18 years.
- 3. The Division shall not release information from the Central Registry regarding a report of child abuse or neglect made pursuant to NRS 392.303 or 432B.220 that received a disposition other than substantiated to any person or entity except for an agency which provides child welfare services.
- 4. The Division shall adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of this section.
 - **Sec. 36.** NRS 433.639 is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 433.639 1. Not later than 3 days after employing a person to provide or supervise the provision of peer recovery support services in a position where the person has regular and substantial contact with minors or retaining a person as an independent contractor to





provide or supervise the provision of peer recovery support services in such a position and every 5 years thereafter, an employer, or person or entity who retained the independent contractor, shall:

- (a) Obtain from the employee or independent contractor written authorization for the release of any information that may be available from the Statewide Central Registry for the Collection of Information Concerning the Abuse or Neglect of a Child established pursuant to NRS 432.100; and
- (b) Complete a child abuse and neglect screening through the Central Registry to determine whether there has been a substantiated report of child abuse or neglect or a violation of NRS 201.540, 201.560, 392.4633 or 394.366 *or section 2 of this act* made against the person.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in any regulations adopted pursuant to subsection 4, upon receiving information pursuant to subsection 1 from the Central Registry or from any other source that an employee or independent contractor described in subsection 1 has, within the immediately preceding 5 years, had a substantiated report of child abuse or neglect or a violation of NRS 201.540, 201.560, 392.4633 or 394.366 *or section 2 of this act* made against him or her, the employer or person or entity who retained the independent contractor shall terminate the employment or contract of the employee or independent contractor, as applicable, after allowing the employee or independent contractor time to correct the information as required pursuant to subsection 3.
- 3. If an employee or independent contractor described in subsection 1 believes that the information provided to the employer or person or entity who retained the independent contractor pursuant to subsection 2 is incorrect, the employee or independent contractor must inform the employer, person or entity immediately. The employer, person or entity shall give any such employee or independent contractor 30 days to correct the information.
- 4. The Division, in consultation with each agency which provides child welfare services, may establish by regulation a process by which it may review evidence upon request to determine whether an employee or independent contractor described in subsection 1 who has, within the immediately preceding 5 years, had a substantiated report of child abuse or neglect or a violation of NRS 201.540, 201.560, 392.4633 or 394.366 *or section 2 of this act* made against him or her may continue to provide or supervise the provision of peer recovery support services and have regular and substantial contact with minors despite the report. Any such review must be conducted in a manner which does not discriminate against a person in violation of 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000e et seq.





- 5. If a process for review is established pursuant to subsection 4, an employee or independent contractor described in subsection 1 may request such a review in the manner established by the Division. Any determination made by the Division is final for purposes of judicial review.
- 6. During any period in which an employee or independent contractor seeks to correct information pursuant to subsection 3 or requests a review of information pursuant to subsection 5, it is within the discretion of the employer or person or entity who retained the independent contractor whether to allow the employee or independent contractor to continue to work for the employer, person or entity, as applicable, except that the employee or independent contractor shall not have regular and substantial contact with minors without supervision during such a period.
- 7. The Division shall adopt regulations to establish civil penalties to be imposed against any person or entity that fails to comply with the requirements of this section.
- 8. As used in this section, "agency which provides child welfare services" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 424.011.
- **Sec. 37.** The amendatory provisions of sections 1 to 36, inclusive, of this act apply to offenses committed on or after October 1, 2023.





