# Attachment One (1)

Committee on Domestic Violence June 16, 2025

Contents: March 31, 2025 Meeting Minutes

## NEVADA OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL COMMITTEE ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE (CDV)

### **MEETINGS MINUTES**

Monday, March 31, 2025, at 1:30 p.m.

### **Meeting Location:**

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- 1. Call to order and roll call of members.
  - a. The CDV meeting was called to order at 1:45 p.m.
  - b. Present: Attorney General Aaron Ford (Chair); Ramos, Suzanne (Vice Chair); Payne, Dr. Pamela; Abdur-Raheem, Elizabeth; Greene, Elynne; Lynch, Judge Patricia; Ortenburger, Liz; Duncan, Wes; Harig, Tracy; Ingram, Tyler; Larson, Zach.
  - c. Absent: Gradick, Jamie; Metherell, Leticia; Morris, Marla; Spoo, Judge James; Hall, Karl; Scott, Annette; Green, April.
  - d. Staff: Benitez-Thompson, Teresa; Rasul, Henna; Hinds, Gina
  - e. Public:
    - Guest Speaker Nathan Branscome, Representative of Sylogist
    - Kari Gonzalez
    - Summer Thomas-Harris
    - Jason Farnham
    - Janie Rodgers
    - Kristy Mills

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- John Chaisson
- Brie Bertges
- Melissa Brown
- Debra Sisco
- Alma Carey
- Candace Lewis Vaughn
- Julie Wise
- Jhenna Strasser
- Alicia Mills
- Monika Hawk
- Kathleen Henrie
- Dani Achury
- Roxana Gomez
- Christopher DeRicco
- Sara
- Laura
- Gwen
- Malena
- f. Quorum established.

#### 2. Public Comment.

a. None.

- 3. For Discussion and Possible Action: Review, discussion and possible approval of the *January 23, 2025, Meeting Minutes*.
  - a. Approved unanimously.
- 4. For Discussion and Possible Action: Benitez-Thompson introduced Nathan Branscome, Sylogists' Representative. Benitez-Thompson shared that VINE (Victim Information Notification Everyday) is the contracted provider until June 30, 2025, and on July 1, 2025, the new system, Sylogist, will go live. There is a limited timeframe for a system switch to the new vendor. Nevada will have a customized public facing portal. Victims and Advocates can register for any method of notifications they want, for example, SMS, email, telephone, etc. Also, they may choose blackout dates on days they do not wish to receive notifications and select timeframes to receive notifications. VSS has a full suite of services to offer should the state decide to expand the service scope. For example, a case management system that can provide support services and wrap-around services; connection to a service provider directory; Sylogist offers a secure high-quality system. Data remains under the control of state agencies.

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• **Taraneh Bakhtavar** asked how far in advance will a victim be notified?

**Nathan Branscome:** Notifications will go out immediately unless there is a hold on the notification at the administrative level; Once the record is updated, it gets pushed out immediately and goes out directly. If for some reason, there is a delay it would be on the jail or correctional department's end where the information may have been incorrectly input or delayed. But Sylogists' transmission methods are very effective and have not had significant delays or issues in other states.

• **Kari Gonzalez** asked who will be responsible for entering the information into this database?

Nathan Branscome: All entries are created by the jail, sheriff, and correctional departments.

• Liz Ortenburger asked: 1. Are there any synergies with other states? 2. Will there be a procedure for emergency protection orders issued if an abuser is in jail? Ortenburger stated their Hotline processes them within 12 hours. Will this be available because they have had to pay extra to VINE Plus to get this service. 3. Will we be able to pull macro reports to better understand the epidemic of domestic violence?

**Nathan Branscome**: No, there are not currently any integrations between states, but Sylogist would be happy to investigate and work with partners who are willing to integrate with and that they are willing to pursue this. Branscome also stated that Sylogist can provide notification for Temporary Protection Orders, but it is not in scope with this new project at this time. Lastly, Branscome said you will be able to generate a report. However, the State will have to be the ultimate decision maker in this matter. Branscome stated he can set up the database to provide the desired information. • **Brie Bertges** asked about transfer service stating that it has not been a good communication experience, for example, notifying victims when an abuser is on an ICE hold, being transferred, and deportation dates.

**Nathan Branscome:** If the transfer is within scope the transfers will be held seamlessly. If data is not in scope or if data has not been configured, but if it is noted in the jail's system, then we have the potential to report on it. If in a federal system, then we cannot pull data and we cannot pull data out of federal systems unless there is an agreement in place. Branscome stated the ICE transfers are a bit more complicated and he needs to work with his developers to obtain more information and added he will include this concern in Sylogists' discovery process.

• Jhenna Strasser asked how does Sylogist communicate between systems? For example, the jails and the courts are mostly done by paper.

**Nathan Branscome**: Nevada county jails and correctional departments are the current systems, but Sylogist does not have the Nevada court systems in scope. Branscome went on to say that this issue can be solved but this would not be something that can be done today.

• **Summer Thomas-Harris** asked what type of notifications are going to come through? For example, court updates, transfers, escapes, etc.

**Nathan Branscome**: During Phase One, it will be anything coming out of VINE.

• **Christopher DeRicco-** Will the Parole Board be included as everyone now is registering via paper?

**Nathan Branscome**: The Parole Board is not included in the RFP. Branscome stated it is done in other states and is something can he look into.

Note: Chair Attorney General Aaron Ford had to leave and asked Vice Chair Suzanne Ramos to take over the meeting.

5. For Discussion and Possible Action: Committee members discussed the creation of a new name, logo, and colors for the new victim notification system. Benitez-Thompson stated the Committee can give this new system a new name. Ortenburger suggested names such as Hopeline, Peace Path, Notify Me, or Feel Safe, something trauma informed. Taraneh Bakhtavar suggested a type of name that shows value and respect to survivors. Does not want anything generic or disconnected. Greene suggested not utilizing the word victim in the title. Thomas-Harris suggested Aware, Notification Alert Hub (NOAH), SAFE, and will send the rest to Benitez-Thompson. Benitez-Thompson suggested working up ideas that reflect value and support. Judge Lunch suggested the name should not be too catchy because people may not know what it is. Benitez-Thompson stated the logo should also have a verbatim description than just the name, should focus on functionality. Ramos stated to submit suggestions for names, colors, and logos to Benitez-Thompson within the next 7-10 days.

- 6. For Discussion and Possible Action: Committee members discussed the manner in which they want to interface with the new vendor, i.e. create a new subcommittee or have Sylogist provide updates at each committee meeting. Benitez-Thompson stated that having a standing agenda item will provide an opportunity for each meeting to operate as a sounding board, discuss any issues, and discuss data. Otherwise, we can create a subcommittee. Dr. Payne stated that a standing agenda item is a good idea. In the interim, it is a good idea to have both the standing agenda item and the creation of a subcommittee. The committee will need to look at what is going on across the state. Ingram stated that this is so important and that we should continually talk about this and having a subcommittee looking at this will lessen any diversity. Ortenburger stated that this may need to be carved into legislation, and will need to create a blanket report, or a specialty report where the committee can come up with the needed funding with some sort of approval process so the committee can pay for additional functionality. Benitez-Thompson stated that there is language in the Committee's chapter that allows the committee to receive gifts and donations. Ingram motioned to have this item as a standing committee agenda item, Dr. Payne seconded it. Motion carries.
- 7. For Discussion and Possible Action: Abdur-Raheem discussed the District Attorney's Best Practices Advocate Chapter. She stated the differences between system-based advocates and community-based advocates and highlighted the three fundamental differences between these types of advocates: who they are employed by, the focus of their advocacy, and their confidentiality. Ortenburger would love for advocates to know whether or not their information is confidential and the information provided by a systems advocate needs to be much clearer for our population. Ingram stated NRS 49.2545 is referenced twice, and it says that it provides confidentiality, but it defines what a victim advocate is, so it will be better to say that NRS 49.2541 et. sec. provides for confidentiality. Judge Lynch stated it should be

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Prosecutor's Best Practices Advocate Chapter, rather than District Attorney's Best Practices Advocate Chapter. Kari Gonzalez shared that the best communication for system-based advocates comes out of Elko County. Abdur-Raheem will have Ortenburger review and finalize. Ortenburger moved for motion to approve amendments. Larson seconded. Motion to amend. Motion carries as amended.

- 8. For Information Only: the CDV's tentative future meeting dates:
  - <u>Committee on Domestic Violence</u>: TBD | Location: Teams
  - <u>Fatality Review Team</u>: TBD

#### 9. Public Comment.

- a. Jhenna Strasser stated that as a system-based advocate her agency refers survivors to community-based advocates because she does not have the same confidentiality that the community-based advocates have. She would also like to know about a written policy on the system-based side for the victim notification system and hopes to get all systems on the same page.
- 10. For Action: Ortenburger motioned to adjourn, Dr. Payne seconded. Meeting adjourned at 2:57p.m.

Minutes respectfully drafted by **Gina Hinds** Edited by **Teresa Benitez-Thompson** Office of the Attorney General

# Attachment Two (2)

Committee on Domestic Violence June 16, 2025

> Contents: AB 45 Final Language

#### Assembly Bill No. 45–Committee on Government Affairs

#### CHAPTER.....

AN ACT relating to public bodies; revising provisions relating to the Victim Information Notification Everyday System in the Office of the Attorney General; renaming the Account for Programs Related to Domestic Violence; revising provisions governing the expenditures authorized from the Account; renaming the Committee on Domestic Violence; revising the membership and duties of the Committee; transferring certain duties from the Sexual Assault Kit Working Group to the Committee; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

#### Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law creates in the Office of the Attorney General the Victim Information Notification Everyday System, which consists of a toll-free telephone number and an Internet website through which victims of crime and members of the public may register to receive automated information and notification concerning changes in the custody status of an offender. (NRS 228.205) **Section 1** of this bill instead creates a victim notification system in the Office of the Attorney General and replaces references to the Victim Information Notification Everyday System with references to the newly created victim notification system.

Existing law creates the Committee on Domestic Violence and requires the Committee to carry out certain duties relating to domestic violence, including increasing awareness, reviewing certain programs provided to peace officers for training related to domestic violence and making recommendations regarding such training, providing financial support to certain programs for the prevention of domestic violence under certain circumstances and studying certain issues relating to domestic violence. (NRS 228.470) Section 4 of this bill requires the Committee to also perform such duties as they relate to sexual assault.

**Section 4** also requires the Committee to: (1) make recommendations relating to the need for additional sexual assault victims' advocates; (2) make recommendations relating to the need for ongoing evaluation of the rights of survivors; and (3) review the effectiveness of the statewide program to track sexual assault forensic evidence kits.

Section 4 further renames the Committee on Domestic Violence to the Committee on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault to reflect the expansion of the duties of the Committee. Sections 1, 2, 7, 8 and 10-16 of this bill make conforming changes to reflect the renaming of the Committee.

Existing law sets forth the membership of the Committee, which consists of: (1) certain persons appointed by the Attorney General, including two survivors of domestic violence; and (2) one member who is a representative of the Division of Public and Behavioral Health of the Department of Health and Human Services who has certain experience and is appointed by the Administrator of the Division. (NRS 228.470) Section 4 revises the membership of the Committee by reducing the number of survivors of domestic violence who are members of the Committee from two to one and requiring the Attorney General to additionally appoint to the Committee: (1) one staff member of a program for victims of sexual assault; (2)



one survivor of sexual assault; and (3) one medical professional with experience in working with sexual assault forensic evidence kits.

Existing law requires the Attorney General to designate a department or division of the Executive Department of State Government to establish a statewide program to track sexual assault forensic evidence kits. Existing law further requires such a designation to be made pursuant to the recommendation of the Sexual Assault Kit Working Group, which is the statewide working group led by the Office of the Attorney General to create policies and procedures to address the backlog of sexual assault forensic evidence kits that have not been tested. (NRS 200.3788) **Section 9** of this bill requires such a designation to instead be made pursuant to the recommendation of the Committee.

Existing law creates the Account for Programs Related to Domestic Violence and authorizes the Ombudsman for Victims of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault and Human Trafficking to expend money in the Account for certain purposes relating to domestic violence, including training certain persons about domestic violence, assisting victims of domestic violence and educating the public on domestic violence. (NRS 228.460) **Section 3** of this bill authorizes the Ombudsman to expend money in the Account for such purposes as they relate to sexual assault. **Section 3** additionally renames the Account for Programs Related to Domestic Violence as the Account for Programs Related to Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault to reflect the changes made by **section 3** to the scope of authorized expenditures from the Account. **Sections 5 and 6** of this bill make conforming changes to reflect the renaming of the Account.

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

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

Section 1. NRS 228.205 is hereby amended to read as follows: 228.205 1. There is hereby created in the Office of the Attorney General [the Victim Information Notification Everyday System,] *a victim notification system*, which consists of a toll-free telephone number and an Internet website through which victims of crime and members of the public may register to receive automated information and notification concerning changes in the custody status of an offender.

2. The Committee on Domestic Violence *and Sexual Assault* appointed pursuant to NRS 228.470 shall serve as the Governance Committee for the [System.] system.

3. The Governance Committee may adopt policies, protocols and regulations for the operation and oversight of the [System.] system.

4. The Attorney General may apply for and accept gifts, grants and donations for use in carrying out the provisions of this section.

5. To the extent of available funding, each sheriff and chief of police, the Department of Corrections, the Department of Public



Safety and the State Board of Parole Commissioners shall cooperate with the Attorney General to establish and maintain the [System.] system.

6. The failure of the [System] system to notify a victim of a crime of a change in the custody status of an offender does not establish a basis for any cause of action by the victim or any other party against the State, its political subdivisions, or the agencies, boards, commissions, departments, officers or employees of the State or its political subdivisions.

7. As used in this section:

(a) "Custody status" means the transfer of the custody of an offender or the release or escape from custody of an offender.

(b) "Offender" means a person convicted of a crime and sentenced to imprisonment in a county jail or in the state prison.

(c) "System" means the victim notification system created by subsection 1.

**Sec. 2.** NRS 228.427 is hereby amended to read as follows:

228.427 "Committee" means the Committee on Domestic Violence *and Sexual Assault* appointed pursuant to NRS 228.470.

**Sec. 3.** NRS 228.460 is hereby amended to read as follows:

228.460 1. The Account for Programs Related to Domestic Violence *and Sexual Assault* is hereby created in the State General Fund. Any fee imposed and collected pursuant to NRS 176.094 must be deposited with the State Controller for credit to the Account.

2. The Ombudsman for Victims of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault and Human Trafficking:

(a) Shall administer the Account for Programs Related to Domestic Violence [;] and Sexual Assault; and

(b) May expend money in the Account only to pay for expenses related to:

(1) The Committee;

(2) Training law enforcement officers, attorneys and members of the judicial system about domestic violence [;] and sexual assault;

(3) Assisting victims of domestic violence *and sexual assault* and educating the public concerning domestic violence [;] *and sexual assault;* and

(4) Carrying out the duties and functions of his or her office.

3. All claims against the Account for Programs Related to Domestic Violence *and Sexual Assault* must be paid as other claims against the State are paid.



Sec. 4. NRS 228.470 is hereby amended to read as follows:

228.470 1. The Committee on Domestic Violence *and Sexual Assault* is hereby created. The Committee is comprised of the Attorney General or a designee of the Attorney General and:

(a) The following members appointed by the Attorney General:

(1) One staff member of a program for victims of domestic violence;

(2) One staff member of a program for victims of sexual assault;

(3) One staff member of a program for the treatment of persons who commit domestic violence;

[(3)] (4) One representative from an office of the district attorney with experience in prosecuting criminal offenses;

 $\frac{(4)}{(5)}$  One representative from an office of the city attorney with experience in prosecuting criminal offenses;

[(5)] (6) One law enforcement officer;

(6) (7) One provider of mental health care;

[(7) Two survivors]

(8) **One survivor** of domestic violence;

[(8)] (9) One survivor of sexual assault;

(10) One justice of the peace or municipal judge;

[(9)] (11) One representative from the Office of Court Administrator; [and

(10)] (12) One medical professional with experience in working with sexual assault forensic evidence kits; and

 $(\overline{13})$  Any other person appointed by the Attorney General.

(b) One member who is a representative of the Division of Public and Behavioral Health of the Department of Health and Human Services, who is appointed by the Administrator of the Division and who has experience related to the certification of programs for the treatment of persons who commit domestic violence.

 $\rightarrow$  Each appointed member serves a term of 2 years. Members may be reappointed for additional terms of 2 years. At least two members of the Committee must be residents of a county whose population is less than 100,000.

2. The Committee shall:

(a) Increase awareness of the existence and unacceptability of domestic violence *and sexual assault* in this State;

(b) Review and evaluate existing programs provided to peace officers for training related to domestic violence *and sexual assault* and make recommendations to the Peace Officers' Standards and Training Commission regarding such training;



(c) To the extent that money is available, provide financial support to programs for the prevention of domestic violence *and sexual assault* in this State;

(d) Study and review all appropriate issues related to the administration of the criminal justice system in rural Nevada with respect to offenses involving domestic violence [,] and sexual assault, including, without limitation, the availability of counseling services;

(e) Study issues that relate to domestic violence [,] and sexual assault, including, without limitation, the intersections between domestic violence and sexual assault and domestic violence and human trafficking;

(f) Make recommendations regarding whether a need exists:

(1) For additional sexual assault victims' advocates and, if such a need exists, create a plan for how the State can provide additional sexual assault victims' advocates to meet such a need;

(2) To provide ongoing evaluation of the implementation of the rights of survivors pursuant to the Sexual Assault Survivors' Bill of Rights and, if such a need exists, shall:

(I) Identify the scope and nature of the need; and

(II) Make recommendations on how to best fill such a need, legislatively or otherwise;

(g) Review the effectiveness of the statewide program to track sexual assault forensic evidence kits established pursuant to NRS 200.3788; and

**[(f)]** (*h*) Submit on or before March 1 of each odd-numbered year a report to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for distribution to the regular session of the Legislature. In preparing the report, the Committee shall solicit comments and recommendations from district judges, municipal judges and justices of the peace in rural Nevada. The report must include, without limitation:

(1) A summary of the work of the Committee and recommendations for any necessary legislation concerning domestic violence [;] and sexual assault; and

(2) All comments and recommendations received by the Committee.

3. The Attorney General or the designee of the Attorney General is the Chair of the Committee.

4. The Committee shall annually elect a Vice Chair from among its members.

5. The Committee shall meet regularly at least three times in each calendar year and may meet at other times upon the call of the Chair.



6. At least one meeting in each calendar year must be held at a location within the Fourth Judicial District, Fifth Judicial District, Sixth Judicial District, Seventh Judicial District or Eleventh Judicial District.

7. The Attorney General shall provide the Committee with such staff as is necessary to carry out the duties of the Committee.

8. While engaged in the business of the Committee, each member and employee of the Committee is entitled to receive the per diem allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally.

9. The Committee may adopt regulations necessary to carry out its duties pursuant to NRS 228.470 to 228.497, inclusive.

10. As used in this section:

(a) "Sexual assault forensic evidence kit" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 200.364.

(b) "Sexual assault victims' advocate" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 178A.120.

(c) "Survivor" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 178A.140.

Sec. 5. NRS 228.490 is hereby amended to read as follows:

228.490 The Committee may apply for and accept gifts, grants, donations and contributions from any source for the purpose of carrying out its duties pursuant to NRS 228.470. Any money that the Committee receives pursuant to this section must be deposited in and accounted for separately in the Account for Programs Related to Domestic Violence *and Sexual Assault* created pursuant to NRS 228.460 for use by the Committee in carrying out its duties.

**Sec. 6.** NRS 176.094 is hereby amended to read as follows:

176.094 In addition to any other fine or penalty, if the court finds that a person is guilty of committing an act which constitutes domestic violence pursuant to NRS 33.018, the court shall:

1. Enter a finding of fact in the judgment of conviction.

2. Order the person to pay a fee of \$35. Any money so collected must be paid by the clerk of the court to the State Controller on or before the fifth day of each month for the preceding month for credit to the Account for Programs Related to Domestic Violence *and Sexual Assault* established pursuant to NRS 228.460.

3. Require for the:

(a) First offense within 7 years of any act which constitutes domestic violence, the person to participate in weekly counseling sessions of not less than 1 1/2 hours per week for not less than 6 months, but not more than 12 months, at his or her expense, in a

program for the treatment of persons who commit domestic violence that has been certified pursuant to NRS 439.258; or

(b) Second offense within 7 years of any act which constitutes domestic violence, the person to participate in weekly counseling sessions of not less than 1 1/2 hours per week for 12 months, at his or her expense, in a program for the treatment of persons who commit domestic violence that has been certified pursuant to NRS 439.258.

**Sec. 7.** NRS 179A.075 is hereby amended to read as follows:

179A.075 1. The Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History is hereby created within the Records, Communications and Compliance Division of the Department.

2. Each agency of criminal justice and any other agency dealing with crime shall:

(a) Collect and maintain records, reports and compilations of statistical data required by the Department; and

(b) Submit the information collected to the Central Repository:

(1) In the manner approved by the Director of the Department; and

(2) In accordance with the policies, procedures and definitions of the Uniform Crime Reporting Program of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

3. Each agency of criminal justice shall submit the information relating to records of criminal history that it creates, issues or collects, and any information in its possession relating to the DNA profile of a person from whom a biological specimen is obtained pursuant to NRS 176.09123 or 176.0913, to the Division. The information must be submitted to the Division:

(a) Through an electronic network;

(b) On a medium of magnetic storage; or

(c) In the manner prescribed by the Director of the Department,

 $\rightarrow$  within 60 days after the date of the disposition of the case. If an agency has submitted a record regarding the arrest of a person who is later determined by the agency not to be the person who committed the particular crime, the agency shall, immediately upon making that determination, so notify the Division. The Division shall delete all references in the Central Repository relating to that particular arrest.

4. Each state and local law enforcement agency shall submit Uniform Crime Reports to the Central Repository:

(a) In the manner prescribed by the Director of the Department;



(b) In accordance with the policies, procedures and definitions of the Uniform Crime Reporting Program of the Federal Bureau of Investigation; and

(c) Within the time prescribed by the Director of the Department.

5. The Division shall, in the manner prescribed by the Director of the Department:

(a) Collect, maintain and arrange all information submitted to it relating to:

(1) Records of criminal history; and

(2) The DNA profile of a person from whom a biological specimen is obtained pursuant to NRS 176.09123 or 176.0913.

(b) When practicable, use a record of the personal identifying information of a subject as the basis for any records maintained regarding him or her.

(c) Upon request, provide, in paper or electronic form, the information that is contained in the Central Repository to the Committee on Domestic Violence *and Sexual Assault* appointed pursuant to NRS 228.470 when, pursuant to NRS 228.495, the Committee is reviewing the death of the victim of a crime that constitutes domestic violence pursuant to NRS 33.018.

6. The Division may:

(a) Disseminate any information which is contained in the Central Repository to any other agency of criminal justice;

(b) Enter into cooperative agreements with repositories of the United States and other states to facilitate exchanges of information that may be disseminated pursuant to paragraph (a); and

(c) Request of and receive from the Federal Bureau of Investigation information on the background and personal history of any person whose record of fingerprints or other biometric identifier the Central Repository submits to the Federal Bureau of Investigation and:

(1) Who has applied to any agency of the State of Nevada or any political subdivision thereof for a license which it has the power to grant or deny;

(2) With whom any agency of the State of Nevada or any political subdivision thereof intends to enter into a relationship of employment or a contract for personal services;

(3) Who has applied to any agency of the State of Nevada or any political subdivision thereof to attend an academy for training peace officers approved by the Peace Officers' Standards and Training Commission;



(4) For whom such information is required or authorized to be obtained pursuant to NRS 62B.270, 62G.223, 62G.353, 424.031, 432A.170, 432B.198, 433B.183, 449.123 and 449.4329; or

(5) About whom any agency of the State of Nevada or any political subdivision thereof is authorized by law to have accurate personal information for the protection of the agency or the persons within its jurisdiction.

7. To request and receive information from the Federal Bureau of Investigation concerning a person pursuant to subsection 6, the Central Repository must receive:

(a) The person's complete set of fingerprints for the purposes of:

(1) Booking the person into a city or county jail or detention facility;

(2) Employment;

(3) Contractual services; or

(4) Services related to occupational licensing;

(b) One or more of the person's fingerprints for the purposes of mobile identification by an agency of criminal justice; or

(c) Any other biometric identifier of the person as it may require for the purposes of:

(1) Arrest; or

(2) Criminal investigation,

 $\rightarrow$  from the agency of criminal justice or agency of the State of Nevada or any political subdivision thereof and submit the received data to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report.

8. The Central Repository shall:

(a) Collect and maintain records, reports and compilations of statistical data submitted by any agency pursuant to subsection 2.

(b) Tabulate and analyze all records, reports and compilations of statistical data received pursuant to this section.

(c) Disseminate to federal agencies engaged in the collection of statistical data relating to crime information which is contained in the Central Repository.

(d) Investigate the criminal history of any person who:

(1) Has applied to the Superintendent of Public Instruction for the issuance or renewal of a license;

(2) Has applied to a county school district, charter school or private school for employment or to serve as a volunteer; or

(3) Is employed by or volunteers for a county school district, charter school or private school,

 $\rightarrow$  and immediately notify the superintendent of each county school district, the governing body of each charter school and the Superintendent of Public Instruction, or the administrator of each

private school, as appropriate, if the investigation of the Central Repository indicates that the person has been convicted of a violation of NRS 200.508, 201.230, 453.3385, 453.3387 or 453.339, or convicted of a felony or any offense involving moral turpitude.

(e) Upon discovery, immediately notify the superintendent of each county school district, the governing body of each charter school or the administrator of each private school, as appropriate, by providing the superintendent, governing body or administrator with a list of all persons:

(1) Investigated pursuant to paragraph (d); or

(2) Employed by or volunteering for a county school district, charter school or private school whose fingerprints were sent previously to the Central Repository for investigation,

who the Central Repository's records indicate have been convicted of a violation of NRS 200.508, 201.230, 453.3385, 453.3387 or 453.339, or convicted of a felony or any offense involving moral turpitude since the Central Repository's initial investigation. The superintendent of each county school district, the governing body of a charter school or the administrator of each private school, as applicable, shall determine whether further investigation or action by the district, charter school or private school, as applicable, is appropriate.

(f) Investigate the criminal history of each person who submits one or more fingerprints or other biometric identifier or has such data submitted pursuant to NRS 62B.270, 62G.223, 62G.353, 424.031, 432A.170, 432B.198, 433B.183, 449.122, 449.123 or 449.4329.

(g) Provide an electronic means to access on the Central Repository's Internet website statistical data relating to crime.

(h) Provide an electronic means to access on the Central Repository's Internet website statistical data about domestic violence in this State.

(i) Identify and review the collection and processing of statistical data relating to criminal justice by any agency identified in subsection 2 and make recommendations for any necessary changes in the manner of collecting and processing statistical data by any such agency.

(j) Adopt regulations governing biometric identifiers and the information and data derived from biometric identifiers, including, without limitation:

(1) Their collection, use, safeguarding, handling, retention, storage, dissemination and destruction; and



(2) The methods by which a person may request the removal of his or her biometric identifiers from the Central Repository and any other agency where his or her biometric identifiers have been stored.

9. The Central Repository may:

(a) In the manner prescribed by the Director of the Department, disseminate compilations of statistical data and publish statistical reports relating to crime.

(b) Charge a reasonable fee for any publication or special report it distributes relating to data collected pursuant to this section. The Central Repository may not collect such a fee from an agency of criminal justice or any other agency dealing with crime which is required to submit information pursuant to subsection 2. All money collected pursuant to this paragraph must be used to pay for the cost of operating the Central Repository or for any other purpose authorized by the Legislature, and any balance of the money remaining at the end of a fiscal year reverts to the State General Fund.

(c) In the manner prescribed by the Director of the Department, use electronic means to receive and disseminate information contained in the Central Repository that it is authorized to disseminate pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.

10. As used in this section:

(a) "Mobile identification" means the collection, storage, transmission, reception, search, access or processing of a biometric identifier using a handheld device.

(b) "Personal identifying information" means any information designed, commonly used or capable of being used, alone or in conjunction with any other information, to identify a person, including, without limitation:

(1) The name, driver's license number, social security number, date of birth and photograph or computer-generated image of a person; and

(2) A biometric identifier of a person.

(c) "Private school" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 394.103.

Sec. 8. NRS 179A.100 is hereby amended to read as follows:

179A.100 1. The following records of criminal history may be disseminated by an agency of criminal justice without any restriction pursuant to this chapter:

(a) Any which reflect records of conviction only; and



(b) Any which pertain to an incident for which a person is currently within the system of criminal justice, including parole or probation.

2. Without any restriction pursuant to this chapter, a record of criminal history or the absence of such a record may be:

(a) Disclosed among agencies which maintain a system for the mutual exchange of criminal records.

(b) Furnished by one agency to another to administer the system of criminal justice, including the furnishing of information by a police department to a district attorney.

(c) Reported to the Central Repository.

3. An agency of criminal justice shall disseminate to a prospective employer, upon request, records of criminal history concerning a prospective employee or volunteer which are the result of a name-based inquiry and which:

(a) Reflect convictions only; or

(b) Pertain to an incident for which the prospective employee or volunteer is currently within the system of criminal justice, including parole or probation.

4. Records of criminal history must be disseminated by an agency of criminal justice, upon request, to the following persons or governmental entities:

(a) The person who is the subject of the record of criminal history for the purposes of NRS 179A.150.

(b) The person who is the subject of the record of criminal history when the subject is a party in a judicial, administrative, licensing, disciplinary or other proceeding to which the information is relevant.

(c) The Nevada Gaming Control Board.

(d) The State Board of Nursing.

(e) The Private Investigator's Licensing Board to investigate an applicant for a license.

(f) A public administrator or a person employed or contracted with pursuant to NRS 253.125, as applicable, to carry out the duties as prescribed in chapter 253 of NRS.

(g) A public guardian to investigate a protected person or proposed protected person or persons who may have knowledge of assets belonging to a protected person or proposed protected person.

(h) Any agency of criminal justice of the United States or of another state or the District of Columbia.

(i) Any public utility subject to the jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada when the information is necessary to conduct a security investigation of an employee or prospective employee or to protect the public health, safety or welfare.

(j) Persons and agencies authorized by statute, ordinance, executive order, court rule, court decision or court order as construed by appropriate state or local officers or agencies.

(k) Any person or governmental entity which has entered into a contract to provide services to an agency of criminal justice relating to the administration of criminal justice, if authorized by the contract, and if the contract also specifies that the information will be used only for stated purposes and that it will be otherwise confidential in accordance with state and federal law and regulation.

(1) Any reporter or editorial employee who is employed or affiliated with a newspaper, press association or commercially operated, federally licensed radio or television station who requests a record of a named person or aggregate information for statistical purposes, excluding any personal identifying information, in a professional capacity for communication to the public.

(m) Prospective employers if the person who is the subject of the information has given written consent to the release of that information by the agency which maintains it.

(n) For the express purpose of research, evaluative or statistical programs pursuant to an agreement with an agency of criminal justice.

(o) An agency which provides child welfare services, as defined in NRS 432B.030.

(p) The Division of Welfare and Supportive Services of the Department of Health and Human Services or its designated representative, as needed to ensure the safety of investigators and caseworkers.

(q) The Aging and Disability Services Division of the Department of Health and Human Services or its designated representative, as needed to ensure the safety of investigators and caseworkers.

(r) An agency of this or any other state or the Federal Government that is conducting activities pursuant to Part D of Subchapter IV of Chapter 7 of Title 42 of the Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 651 et seq.

(s) The Commissioner of Insurance.

- (t) The Board of Medical Examiners.
- (u) The State Board of Osteopathic Medicine.
- (v) The Board of Massage Therapy and its Executive Director.
- (w) The Board of Examiners for Social Workers.
- (x) The State Board of Cosmetology and its Executive Director.



(y) The Committee on Domestic Violence *and Sexual Assault* appointed pursuant to NRS 228.470 when, pursuant to NRS 228.495, the Committee is reviewing the death of the victim of a crime that constitutes domestic violence pursuant to NRS 33.018.

(z) A county coroner or medical examiner, as needed to conduct an investigation of the death of a person.

5. Agencies of criminal justice in this State which receive information from sources outside this State concerning transactions involving criminal justice which occur outside Nevada shall treat the information as confidentially as is required by the provisions of this chapter.

**Sec. 9.** NRS 200.3788 is hereby amended to read as follows:

200.3788 1. A statewide program to track sexual assault forensic evidence kits must be established in this State. The Attorney General shall, pursuant to the recommendation of the [Sexual Assault Kit Working Group,] Committee on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault appointed pursuant to NRS 228.470, designate a department or division of the Executive Department of State Government to establish the program. The designated department or division may contract with any appropriate public or private agency, organization or institution to carry out the provisions of this section.

2. The program to track sexual assault forensic evidence kits must:

(a) Track the location and status of sexual assault forensic evidence kits, including, without limitation, the initial forensic medical examination, receipt by a law enforcement agency and receipt and genetic marker analysis at a forensic laboratory.

(b) Allow providers of health care who perform forensic medical examinations, law enforcement agencies, prosecutors, forensic laboratories and any other entities having sexual assault forensic evidence kits in their custody to track the status and location of sexual assault forensic evidence kits.

(c) Allow a victim of sexual assault to anonymously track or receive, by telephone or on an Internet website, updates regarding the status and location of his or her sexual assault forensic evidence kit.

3. The department or division designated pursuant to subsection 1 shall, on or before January 1 and July 1 of each year, submit to the Governor and the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for transmittal to the Joint Interim Standing Committee on the Judiciary and post on the Internet website maintained by the department or division a report concerning the statewide program to track sexual assault forensic evidence kits. The report must include:

(a) The number of sexual assault forensic evidence kits in the program in each county.

(b) The number of sexual assault forensic evidence kits for which genetic marker analysis has been completed for each county for the last 6 months.

(c) The number of sexual assault forensic evidence kits added to the program in each county during the last 6 months.

(d) The number of sexual assault forensic evidence kits for which genetic marker analysis has been requested but not completed for each county.

(e) For this State as a whole and each county, the average and median time between a forensic medical examination and receipt of a sexual assault forensic evidence kit by a forensic laboratory for genetic marker analysis, overall and for the last 6 months.

(f) For this State as a whole and each county, the average and median time between receipt of a sexual assault forensic evidence kit by a forensic laboratory and genetic marker analysis, overall and for the last 6 months.

(g) The number of sexual assault forensic evidence kits in each county awaiting genetic marker analysis for more than 1 year and 6 months after forensic medical examination.

4. Each law enforcement agency, prosecutor, forensic laboratory and provider of health care who performs forensic medical examinations in this State shall participate in the statewide program to track sexual assault forensic evidence kits for the purpose of tracking the status of any sexual assault forensic evidence kits in the custody of the agency, prosecutor, laboratory or provider, or a third party under contract with such agency, prosecutor, laboratory or provider.

5. Any agency or person who acts pursuant to this section in good faith and without gross negligence is immune from civil liability for those acts.

6. The department or division designated pursuant to subsection 1 may apply for and accept any gift, donation, bequest, grant or other source of money to carry out the provisions of this section.

[7. As used in this section, "Sexual Assault Kit Working Group" means the statewide working group led by the Office of the Attorney General to create policies and procedures to address the backlog of sexual assault forensic evidence kits that have not been tested.]



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Sec. 10. NRS 217.475 is hereby amended to read as follows:

217.475 1. A court or an agency of a local government may organize or sponsor one or more multidisciplinary teams to review the death of the victim of a crime that constitutes domestic violence pursuant to NRS 33.018.

2. If a multidisciplinary team is organized or sponsored pursuant to subsection 1, the court or agency shall review the death of a victim upon receiving a written request from a person related to the victim within the third degree of consanguinity, if the request is received by the court or agency within 1 year after the date of death of the victim.

3. Members of a team that is organized or sponsored pursuant to subsection 1 serve at the pleasure of the court or agency that organizes or sponsors the team and must include, without limitation, representatives of organizations concerned with law enforcement, issues related to physical or mental health, or the prevention of domestic violence and assistance to victims of domestic violence.

4. Each organization represented on such a team may share with other members of the team information in its possession concerning the victim who is the subject of the review or any person who was in contact with the victim and any other information deemed by the organization to be pertinent to the review. Any information shared by an organization with other members of a team is confidential.

5. A team organized or sponsored pursuant to this section may, upon request, provide a report concerning its review to a person related to the victim within the third degree of consanguinity.

6. Before establishing a team to review the death of a victim pursuant to this section, a court or an agency shall adopt a written protocol describing its objectives and the structure of the team.

7. A team organized or sponsored pursuant to this section may request any person, agency or organization that is in possession of information or records concerning the victim who is the subject of the review or any person who was in contact with the victim to provide the team with any information or records that are relevant to the team's review. Any information or records provided to a team pursuant to this subsection are confidential.

8. A team organized or sponsored pursuant to this section may, if appropriate, meet with any person, agency or organization that the team believes may have information relevant to the review conducted by the team, including, without limitation:

(a) A multidisciplinary team to review the death of a child organized pursuant to NRS 432B.405;



(b) A multidisciplinary team to oversee the review of the death of a child organized pursuant to NRS 432B.4075; or

(c) The Committee on Domestic Violence *and Sexual Assault* appointed pursuant to NRS 228.470.

9. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 10, each member of a team organized or sponsored pursuant to this section is immune from civil or criminal liability for an activity related to the review of the death of a victim.

10. Each member of a team organized or sponsored pursuant to this section who discloses any confidential information concerning the death of a child is personally liable for a civil penalty of not more than \$500.

11. The Attorney General:

(a) May bring an action to recover a civil penalty imposed pursuant to subsection 10 against a member of a team organized or sponsored pursuant to this section; and

(b) Shall deposit any money received from the civil penalty with the State Treasurer for credit to the State General Fund.

12. The results of the review of the death of a victim pursuant to this section are not admissible in any civil action or proceeding.

Sec. 11. NRS 427A.940 is hereby amended to read as follows:

427A.940 1. The Committee is entitled to access to:

(a) All final investigative information of law enforcement agencies regarding a death that may have been caused by or related to adult maltreatment or other incident of adult maltreatment being investigated by the Committee for which the investigation by the law enforcement agency has been closed;

(b) Any autopsy and coroner's investigative records relating to a death of an older person or a vulnerable person that may have been caused by or related to adult maltreatment;

(c) Any medical or mental health records of a decedent or other victim of adult maltreatment;

(d) Any records of the Division or any other agency which has provided services to a decedent or other victim of adult maltreatment; and

(e) Any other records determined by the Committee to be necessary to perform its duties, except for records of a law enforcement agency not described in paragraph (a).

2. The Committee may, if appropriate, meet and share information with:

(a) A multidisciplinary team to review the death of the victim of a crime that constitutes domestic violence organized or sponsored pursuant to NRS 217.475;



(b) The Committee on Domestic Violence *and Sexual Assault* appointed pursuant to NRS 228.470; or

(c) The Unit for the Investigation and Prosecution of Crimes Against Older Persons or Vulnerable Persons in the Office of the Attorney General created by NRS 228.265.

3. The Committee may petition the district court for the issuance of, and the district court may issue, a subpoena to compel the production of any books, records or papers described in subsection 1 that are relevant to the cause of any death or incident of adult maltreatment being investigated by the Committee. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 239.0115, any books, records or papers received by the Committee pursuant to a subpoena issued pursuant to this subsection shall be deemed confidential and privileged and not subject to disclosure.

4. The Committee may use data collected concerning a death that is known or suspected to have been caused by or be related to adult maltreatment for the purpose of research or to prevent future adult maltreatment if the data is aggregated and does not allow for the identification of any person.

5. Except as otherwise provided in this section, information acquired by, and the records of, the Committee are confidential, are not public records, must not be disclosed and are not subject to subpoena, discovery or introduction into evidence in any civil or criminal proceeding. The disclosure of information or records to the Committee does not make such information or records confidential with respect to the person or entity that disclosed the records if the information or records are not otherwise confidential.

6. The meetings of the Committee are closed to the public.

Sec. 12. NRS 432B.290 is hereby amended to read as follows:

432B.290 1. Information maintained by an agency which provides child welfare services must be maintained by the agency which provides child welfare services as required by federal law as a condition of the allocation of federal money to this State.

2. Except as otherwise provided in this section and NRS 432B.165, 432B.175 and 432B.513, information maintained by an agency which provides child welfare services may, at the discretion of the agency which provides child welfare services, be made available only to:

(a) A physician, if the physician has before him or her a child who the physician has reasonable cause to believe has been abused or neglected;

(b) A person authorized to place a child in protective custody, if the person has before him or her a child who the person has



reasonable cause to believe has been abused or neglected and the person requires the information to determine whether to place the child in protective custody;

(c) An agency, including, without limitation, an agency in another jurisdiction, responsible for or authorized to undertake the care, treatment or supervision of:

(1) The child; or

(2) The person responsible for the welfare of the child;

(d) A district attorney or other law enforcement officer who requires the information in connection with an investigation or prosecution of the abuse or neglect of a child;

(e) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (f), a court other than a juvenile court, for in camera inspection only, unless the court determines that public disclosure of the information is necessary for the determination of an issue before it;

(f) A court, as defined in NRS 159A.015, to determine whether a guardian or successor guardian of a child should be appointed pursuant to chapter 159A of NRS or NRS 432B.466 to 432B.468, inclusive;

(g) A person engaged in bona fide research or an audit, but information identifying the subjects of a report must not be made available to the person;

(h) The attorney and the guardian ad litem of the child, if the information is reasonably necessary to promote the safety, permanency and well-being of the child;

(i) A person who files or intends to file a petition for the appointment of a guardian or successor guardian of a child pursuant to chapter 159A of NRS or NRS 432B.466 to 432B.468, inclusive, if the identity of the person responsible for reporting the abuse or neglect of the child to a public agency is kept confidential and the information is reasonably necessary to promote the safety, permanency and well-being of the child;

(j) The proposed guardian or proposed successor guardian of a child over whom a guardianship is sought pursuant to chapter 159A of NRS or NRS 432B.466 to 432B.468, inclusive, if the identity of the person responsible for reporting the abuse or neglect of the child to a public agency is kept confidential and the information is reasonably necessary to promote the safety, permanency and well-being of the child;

(k) A grand jury upon its determination that access to these records and the information is necessary in the conduct of its official business;



(1) A federal, state or local governmental entity, or an agency of such an entity, or a juvenile court, that needs access to the information to carry out its legal responsibilities to protect children from abuse and neglect;

(m) A person or an organization that has entered into a written agreement with an agency which provides child welfare services to provide assessments or services and that has been trained to make such assessments or provide such services;

(n) A team organized pursuant to NRS 432B.350 for the protection of a child;

(o) A team organized pursuant to NRS 432B.405 to review the death of a child;

(p) A multidisciplinary team, as defined in NRS 432B.4014;

(q) A parent or legal guardian of the child and an attorney of a parent or legal guardian of the child, including, without limitation, the parent or guardian of a child over whom a guardianship is sought pursuant to chapter 159A of NRS or NRS 432B.466 to 432B.468, inclusive, if the identity of the person responsible for reporting the abuse or neglect of the child to a public agency is kept confidential and the information is reasonably necessary to promote the safety, permanency and well-being of the child and is limited to information concerning that parent or guardian;

(r) The child over whom a guardianship is sought pursuant to chapter 159A of NRS or NRS 432B.466 to 432B.468, inclusive, if:

(1) The child is 14 years of age or older; and

(2) The identity of the person responsible for reporting the abuse or neglect of the child to a public agency is kept confidential and the information is reasonably necessary to promote the safety, permanency and well-being of the child;

(s) The persons or agent of the persons who are the subject of a report, if the information is reasonably necessary to promote the safety, permanency and well-being of the child and is limited to information concerning those persons;

(t) An agency that is authorized by law to license foster homes or facilities for children or to investigate persons applying for approval to adopt a child, if the agency has before it an application for that license or is investigating an applicant to adopt a child;

(u) Upon written consent of the parent, any officer of this State or a city or county thereof or Legislator authorized by the agency or department having jurisdiction or by the Legislature, acting within its jurisdiction, to investigate the activities or programs of an agency which provides child welfare services if:



(1) The identity of the person making the report is kept confidential; and

(2) The officer, Legislator or a member of the family of the officer or Legislator is not the person alleged to have committed the abuse or neglect;

(v) The Division of Parole and Probation of the Department of Public Safety for use pursuant to NRS 176.135 in making a presentence investigation and report to the district court or pursuant to NRS 176.151 in making a general investigation and report;

(w) Any person who is required pursuant to NRS 432B.220 to make a report to an agency which provides child welfare services or to a law enforcement agency;

(x) A local advisory board to expedite proceedings for the placement of children created pursuant to NRS 432B.604;

(y) The panel established pursuant to NRS 432B.396 to evaluate agencies which provide child welfare services;

(z) An employer in accordance with subsection 3 of NRS 432.100;

(aa) A team organized or sponsored pursuant to NRS 217.475 or 228.495 to review the death of the victim of a crime that constitutes domestic violence;

(bb) The Committee on Domestic Violence *and Sexual Assault* appointed pursuant to NRS 228.470; or

(cc) The Committee to Review Suicide Fatalities created by NRS 439.5104.

3. An agency investigating a report of the abuse or neglect of a child shall, upon request, provide to a person named in the report as allegedly causing the abuse or neglect of the child:

(a) A copy of:

(1) Any statement made in writing to an investigator for the agency by the person named in the report as allegedly causing the abuse or neglect of the child; or

(2) Any recording made by the agency of any statement made orally to an investigator for the agency by the person named in the report as allegedly causing the abuse or neglect of the child; or

(b) A written summary of the allegations made against the person who is named in the report as allegedly causing the abuse or neglect of the child. The summary must not identify the person responsible for reporting the alleged abuse or neglect or any collateral sources and reporting parties.

4. Except as otherwise provided by subsection 6, before releasing any information maintained by an agency which provides child welfare services pursuant to this section, an agency which

provides child welfare services shall take whatever precautions it determines are reasonably necessary to protect the identity and safety of any person who reports child abuse or neglect and to protect any other person if the agency which provides child welfare services reasonably believes that disclosure of the information would cause a specific and material harm to an investigation of the alleged abuse or neglect of a child or the life or safety of any person.

5. The provisions of this section must not be construed to require an agency which provides child welfare services to disclose information maintained by the agency which provides child welfare services if, after consultation with the attorney who represents the agency, the agency determines that such disclosure would cause a specific and material harm to a criminal investigation.

6. A person who is the subject of a report of child abuse or neglect made pursuant to this chapter that is assigned a disposition other than substantiated pursuant to NRS 432B.305 and who believes that the report was made in bad faith or with malicious intent may petition a district court to order the agency which provides child welfare services to release information maintained by the agency which provides child welfare services. The petition must specifically set forth the reasons supporting the belief that the report was made in bad faith or with malicious intent. The petitioner shall provide notice to the agency which provides child welfare services so that the agency may participate in the action through its counsel. The district court shall review the information which the petitioner requests to be released and the petitioner shall be allowed to present evidence in support of the petition. If the court determines that there is a reasonable question of fact as to whether the report was made in bad faith or with malicious intent and that the disclosure of the identity of the person who made the report would not be likely to endanger the life or safety of the person who made the report, the court shall provide a copy of the information to the petitioner and the original information is subject to discovery in a subsequent civil action regarding the making of the report.

7. If an agency which provides child welfare services receives any information that is deemed confidential by law, the agency which provides child welfare services shall maintain the confidentiality of the information as prescribed by applicable law.

8. Pursuant to this section, a person may authorize the release of information maintained by an agency which provides child welfare services about himself or herself, but may not waive the confidentiality of such information concerning any other person.



9. An agency which provides child welfare services may provide a summary of the outcome of an investigation of the alleged abuse or neglect of a child to the person who reported the suspected abuse or neglect.

10. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, any person who is provided with information maintained by an agency which provides child welfare services and who further disseminates the information or makes the information public is guilty of a gross misdemeanor. This subsection does not apply to:

(a) A district attorney or other law enforcement officer who uses the information solely for the purpose of initiating legal proceedings;

(b) An employee of the Division of Parole and Probation of the Department of Public Safety making a presentence investigation and report to the district court pursuant to NRS 176.135 or making a general investigation and report pursuant to NRS 176.151; or

(c) An employee of a juvenile justice agency who provides the information to the juvenile court.

11. An agency which provides child welfare services may charge a fee for processing costs reasonably necessary to prepare information maintained by the agency which provides child welfare services for release pursuant to this section.

12. An agency which provides child welfare services shall adopt rules, policies or regulations to carry out the provisions of this section.

13. As used in this section, "juvenile justice agency" means the Youth Parole Bureau or a director of juvenile services.

Sec. 13. NRS 432B.407 is hereby amended to read as follows:

432B.407 1. A multidisciplinary team to review the death of a child is entitled to access to:

(a) All investigative information of law enforcement agencies regarding the death;

(b) Any autopsy and coroner's investigative records relating to the death;

(c) Any medical or mental health records of the child; and

(d) Any records of social and rehabilitative services or of any other social service agency which has provided services to the child or the child's family.

2. Each organization represented on a multidisciplinary team to review the death of a child shall share with other members of the team information in its possession concerning the child who is the subject of the review, any siblings of the child, any person who was



responsible for the welfare of the child and any other information deemed by the organization to be pertinent to the review.

3. A multidisciplinary team to review the death of a child may, if appropriate, meet and share information with:

(a) A multidisciplinary team to review the death of the victim of a crime that constitutes domestic violence organized or sponsored pursuant to NRS 217.475; or

(b) The Committee on Domestic Violence *and Sexual Assault* appointed pursuant to NRS 228.470.

4. A multidisciplinary team to review the death of a child may petition the district court for the issuance of, and the district court may issue, a subpoena to compel the production of any books, records or papers relevant to the cause of any death being investigated by the team. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 239.0115, any books, records or papers received by the team pursuant to the subpoena shall be deemed confidential and privileged and not subject to disclosure.

5. A multidisciplinary team to review the death of a child may use data collected concerning the death of a child for the purpose of research or to prevent future deaths of children if the data is aggregated and does not allow for the identification of any person.

6. Except as otherwise provided in this section, information acquired by, and the records of, a multidisciplinary team to review the death of a child are confidential, must not be disclosed, and are not subject to subpoena, discovery or introduction into evidence in any civil or criminal proceeding.

Sec. 14. NRS 439.5106 is hereby amended to read as follows:

439.5106 1. The Committee:

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, shall adopt a written protocol setting forth the suicide fatalities in this State which must be reported to the Committee and screened for review by the Committee and the suicide fatalities in this State which the Committee may reject for review. The Committee shall not review any case in which litigation is pending.

(b) May review any accidental death which the Committee determines may assist in suicide prevention efforts in this State.

(c) May establish differing levels of review, including, without limitation, a comprehensive or limited review depending upon the nature of the incident or the purpose of the review.

2. The Committee shall obtain and use any data or other information to:

(a) Review suicide fatalities in this State to determine trends, risk factors and strategies for prevention;



(b) Determine and prepare reports concerning trends and patterns of suicide fatalities in this State;

(c) Identify and evaluate the prevalence of risk factors for preventable suicide fatalities in this State;

(d) Evaluate and prepare reports concerning high-risk factors, current practices, lapses in systematic responses and barriers to the safety and well-being of persons who are at risk of suicide in this State; and

(e) Recommend any improvement in sources of information relating to investigating reported suicide fatalities and preventing suicide in this State.

3. In conducting a review of a suicide fatality in this State, the Committee shall, to the greatest extent practicable, consult and cooperate with:

(a) The Coordinator of the Statewide Program for Suicide Prevention employed pursuant to NRS 439.511;

(b) Each trainer for suicide prevention employed pursuant to NRS 439.513;

(c) The Committee on Domestic Violence *and Sexual Assault* appointed pursuant to NRS 228.470; and

(d) A multidisciplinary team:

(1) To review the death of the victim of a crime that constitutes domestic violence organized or sponsored pursuant to NRS 217.475;

(2) To review the death of a child organized pursuant to NRS 432B.405; and

(3) To oversee the review of the death of a child organized pursuant to NRS 432B.4075.

4. Any review conducted by the Committee pursuant to NRS 439.5102 to 439.5108, inclusive, is separate from, independent of and in addition to any investigation or review which is required or authorized by law to be conducted, including, without limitation, any investigation conducted by a coroner or coroner's deputy pursuant to NRS 259.050.

5. To conduct a review pursuant to NRS 439.5102 to 439.5108, inclusive, the Committee may access information, including, without limitation:

(a) Any investigative information obtained by a law enforcement agency relating to a death;

(b) Any records from an autopsy or an investigation conducted by a coroner or coroner's deputy relating to a death;

(c) Any medical or mental health records of a decedent;



(e) Any records of a social services agency which has provided services to a decedent.

Sec. 15. NRS 440.170 is hereby amended to read as follows:

440.170 1. All certificates in the custody of the State Registrar are open to inspection subject to the provisions of this chapter. It is unlawful for any employee of the State to disclose data contained in vital statistics, except as authorized by this chapter or by the Board.

2. Information in vital statistics indicating that a birth occurred out of wedlock must not be disclosed except upon order of a court of competent jurisdiction.

3. The Board:

(a) Shall allow the use of data contained in vital statistics to carry out the provisions of NRS 442.300 to 442.330, inclusive;

(b) Shall allow the use of certificates of death by a multidisciplinary team:

(1) To review the death of the victim of a crime that constitutes domestic violence organized or sponsored pursuant to NRS 217.475; and

(2) To review the death of a child established pursuant to NRS 432B.405 and 432B.406;

(c) Shall allow the use of certificates of death by the:

(1) Committee on Domestic Violence *and Sexual Assault* appointed pursuant to NRS 228.470; and

(2) Committee to Review Suicide Fatalities created by NRS 439.5104; and

(d) May allow the use of data contained in vital statistics for other research purposes, but without identifying the persons to whom the records relate.

Sec. 16. NRS 442.774 is hereby amended to read as follows:

442.774 1. The Committee is entitled to access to:

(a) All final investigative information of law enforcement agencies regarding a maternal death or incident of severe maternal morbidity being investigated by the Committee for which the investigation by the law enforcement agency has been closed;

(b) Any autopsy and coroner's investigative records relating to the death or incident;

(c) Any medical or mental health records of the person who gave birth to a child;

(d) Any records of social and rehabilitative services or of any other social service agency which has provided services to the



person who gave birth to a child or the family of the person who gave birth to a child;

(e) The system for the reporting of information on cancer and other neoplasms established pursuant to NRS 457.230; and

(f) Any other records determined by the Committee to be necessary to perform its duties, except for records of a law enforcement agency not described in paragraph (a).

2. The Committee may, if appropriate, meet and share information with:

(a) A multidisciplinary team to review the death of the victim of a crime that constitutes domestic violence organized or sponsored pursuant to NRS 217.475; or

(b) The Committee on Domestic Violence *and Sexual Assault* appointed pursuant to NRS 228.470.

3. The Committee may petition the district court for the issuance of, and the district court may issue, a subpoena to compel the production of any books, records or papers described in subsection 1 that are relevant to the cause of any death or incident of severe maternal morbidity being investigated by the Committee. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 239.0115, any books, records or papers received by the Committee pursuant to the subpoena shall be deemed confidential and privileged and not subject to disclosure.

4. The Committee may use data collected concerning a maternal death or incident of severe maternal morbidity for the purpose of research or to prevent future maternal mortality and severe maternal morbidity if the data is aggregated and does not allow for the identification of any person.

5. Except as otherwise provided in this section, information acquired by, and the records of, the Committee are confidential, are not public records, must not be disclosed, and are not subject to subpoena, discovery or introduction into evidence in any civil or criminal proceeding.

6. The meetings of the Committee are closed to the public.

**Sec. 17.** The provisions of subsection 1 of NRS 218D.380 do not apply to any provisions of this act which adds or revises a requirement to submit a report to the Legislature.

**Sec. 18.** 1. The Legislative Counsel shall, in preparing supplements to the Nevada Administrative Code, appropriately change any references to an officer, agency or other entity whose name is changed or whose responsibilities are transferred pursuant to the provisions of this act to refer to the appropriate officer, agency or other entity.



2. Any administrative regulations adopted by an officer or an agency whose name has been changed or whose responsibilities have been transferred pursuant to the provisions of this act to another officer or agency remain in force until amended by the officer or agency to which the responsibility for the adoption of the regulations has been transferred.

3. Any contracts or other agreements entered into by an officer or agency whose name has been changed or whose responsibilities have been transferred pursuant to the provisions of this act to another officer or agency are binding upon the officer or agency to which the responsibility for the administration of the provisions of the contract or other agreement has been transferred. Such contracts and other agreements may be enforced by the officer or agency to which the responsibility for the enforcement of the provisions of the contract or other agreement has been transferred.

4. Any action taken by an officer or agency whose name has been changed or whose responsibilities have been transferred pursuant to the provisions of this act to another officer or agency remains in effect as if taken by the officer or agency to which the responsibility for the enforcement of such actions has been transferred.

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# Attachment Three (3)

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Contents: Current Bill Update from the 2025 Legislative Sesson (Post Sine Die) AB 35 – Revises provisions relating to pornography involving minors <mark>Signed by Governor,</mark> effective now.

AB 45 – The AGO's Committee on Domestic Violence bill (mostly a language change to add sexual violence as well) Signed by Governor, effective October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.

AB 193 – Revises provisions relating to certain victims of crime (Free copy of DV reports) Signed by Governor, effective October 1, 2025.

AB 209 – Provides immunity from criminal liability for engaging in prostitution or committing certain acts while engaged in prostitution (amendment: only during a medical emergency) Vetoed

AB 250 – Allows victims of domestic violence or sexual assault to raise coerced debt as an affirmative defense in civil debt collection actions. Signed by governor and effective October 1, 2025.

AB 309 - Revises provisions relating to certain orders for protection against domestic violence. Signed by Governor, effective October 1, 2025

AB329 - Revises provisions relating to victims of crime (adds opportunities to qualify for the VOC fund) Signed by Governor, effective October 1, 2025

AB369 - Revises provisions governing certain orders for protection against domestic violence (Adds proof options for Tribal TPOs) Signed by Governor, effective October 1, 2025

AB388 – Paid Family Leave, which includes paid safe leave for victims of domestic and sexual violence. To enrollment.

AB488 - Revises provisions relating to criminal convictions of certain victims (adds extra reasons why trafficking victims can vacate/seal their charges) Vetoed

SB 60 – Revises crimes committed against older or vulnerable persons (Eldar Abuse related) To enrollment

SB62 - Revises provisions relating to crimes (This is an AGO bill and where our HT fund is sitting. Cut down to 200k instead of 1 million) <mark>Enrolled and delivered to Governor, waiting for signature</mark>

SB 84 – Revises provisions relating to domestic violence (Must be evidence based Batterer treatment programs) <mark>Signed by Governor, some sections effective immediately, all other non admin tasks effective October 1, 2025</mark>

SB 87 – Revises provisions relating to forensic medical examinations (Paid to medical people directly from VOC fund) Signed by Governor, Effective July 1<sup>st</sup>.

SB 125 – Revises provisions relating to services provided to victims of crime (Allows government agencies to talk to the Center designated by DHHS about confidential survivor information) Signed by Governor, effective October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025

SB 156 – Creates the Office for the Prevention of Gun Violence at the AGO (By Amendment, no Ombudsman or division, it is now an appointed special counsel) Vetoed

SB 213 – Revises provisions relating to the crime of unlawful dissemination of an intimate image (includes AI "revenge porn" as well) Signed by Governor, Effective October 1<sup>st</sup>.

SB263 – Revises provisions relating to pornography involving minors (includes AI-made images) Signed by Governor, Effective October 1<sup>st</sup>

SB275 – Revises provisions relating to domestic relations (Not forcing reunification with abuse parents and forces the AOC to provide ongoing DV, child abuse, and best practices training to judges) Enrolled and delivered to Governor, waiting for signature

SCR3 – Human trafficking interim study – Enrolled, delivered to Secretary of State

# Attachment Four (4)

Committee on Domestic Violence June 16, 2025

Contents: NV SAVE Victim Notification Program Update



CUSTODY NOTIFICATIONS FOR SURVIVORS, ADVOCATES, VICTIMS & ENFORCEMENT



## What are the differences between VINE and NV S.A.V.E Notifications?

- VINE is incident based. Victims must register each time there is a new law enforcement incident to track the offender for that incident.
- NV SAVE Notifications is offender based. Once you register for notification about an offender, you can get notices across all incidents.
- NV SAVE offers easy customization of notices.
- NV SAVE allows victims to customize their notices. For example, they can select blackout dates or off hours wherein they don't receive notices.
- Data in the NV S.A.V.E Notification system is owned by the State of Nevada.



## Key points about the transition from VINE to NV S.A.V.E

- The go-live date for Nevada S.A.V.E Notification is July 1, 2025.
- VINE will not collect custodial offender data from sheriff and police jail management systems after 11:59 pm on June, 30<sup>th</sup> 2025.
- Victims and the public will stop receiving notification from VINE on June 30<sup>th</sup> at 11:59 pm, 2025.
- VINE registration will end on June 29<sup>th</sup> at 11:59 pm.
- There will be no registration for victim notifications on June 30th, 2025.
- Registration in the Nevada S.A.V.E Notification system will begin on July 1, 2025.
- VINE will send notification to registered users about the change in victim notification systems two weeks before the transition.

- If you are registered in VINE, you will not need to re-register in NV S.A.V.E Notifications (\*caveat here on the VINE app users that we are figuring out).
- All VINE links and portals on websites will need to be switched out on June 30, 2025.
- Customer Support number and URL are coming soon.



# Email for questions about NV SAVE: <a href="mailto:nvsave@ag.nv.gov">nvsave@ag.nv.gov</a>

# Attachment Five (5)

Committee on Domestic Violence June 16, 2025

Contents: Membership Paperwork for the CDV

## NEVADA ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF ETHICAL STANDARDS FOR PUBLIC OFFICERS ("ACKNOWLEDGMENT FORM")

Pursuant to NRS 281A.500, each public officer\* shall file an Acknowledgment of Ethical Standards as prescribed by this form.

NAME:	TITLE OF PUBLIC OFFICE:	
PUBLIC ENTITY:		
DATE APPOINTED (if applicable):	DATE ELECTED (if applicable):	
TERM OF OFFICE (if applicable):		
ADDRESS:	CITY, STATE, ZIP:	
TELEPHONE	EMAIL:	

### I HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE:



I have received, read and understand the statutory ethical standards for public officers and public employees provided in NRS Chapter 281A (NRS 281A.500(3)(a)); and

I have a responsibility to inform myself of any amendments to the statutory ethical standards as soon as reasonably practicable after each session of the Legislature (NRS 281A.500(3)(b)).

I understand that my refusal to execute and file this <u>Acknowledgment Form</u> constitutes a willful violation of NRS Chapter 281A and non-feasance in office pursuant to NRS 283.440, which may subject me to civil penalties. Further, if I am subject to removal from office pursuant to NRS 283.440, the Commission may file a complaint in the appropriate court for my removal for nonfeasance in office (NRS 281A.500(11)).

Date:

Signature:

WHO IS REQUIRED TO FILE:		WHEN TO FILE:
A	Public officer appointed for a definite term of office.	Within 30 days of taking office, and within 30 days of each reappointment to office, for each term of office.
Appointed	Public officer who serves at the pleasure of the appointing authority and does not have a definite term of office.	Within 30 days of taking office and then January 15 every even-numbered year while holding that office.
ElectedPublic officer who is elected at general election.Public officer who is elected at an election oth than the general election.	January 15 of the year following the general election, for each term of office.	
	Public officer who is elected at an election other than the general election.	Within 30 days of taking office, for each term of office.

\* Public Officers are those persons serving in a position designated by NRS 281A.160 or 281A.182.

Pursuant to NRS 281A.500(7), if a public officer is serving in a public office and executes and files this <u>Acknowledgment Form</u> for that office as required by the provisions of NRS 281A.500, the public officer shall be deemed to have satisfied the requirements of this section for any other <u>concurrently</u> held office.

You may submit this Acknowledgment Form using the Commission's <u>online form</u> submission at ethics.nv.gov (Preferred); or You may submit this form bearing your signature to the Executive Director at: Nevada Commission on Ethics, 704 W. Nye Lane, Suite 204, Carson City, Nevada, 89703; email NCOE@ethics.nv.gov; or fax (775) 687-1279. OATH

State of Nevada

County of \_\_\_\_\_

I, **INSERT NAME**, do solemnly swear I will support, protect and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States, and the constitution and Government of the State of Nevada, against all enemies, whether domestic or foreign, and that I will bear true faith, allegiance and loyalty to the same, any ordinance, resolution, or law of any State notwithstanding, and that I will well and faithfully perform all the duties of the **Committee on Domestic Violence** for the State of Nevada Attorney General's Office from **INSERT TERM** on which I am about to enter, so help me God.

[name]

Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_ 2019 by \_\_\_\_\_\_ (name of person swearing or affirming).

Notary Public

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June 6, 2025

### Via U.S. Mail and Electronic Mail

[Recipient's Name/Title] [Recipient's Address] [Recipient's Email Address]

### Re: Committee on Domestic Violence - Appointment Letter

#### Dear [Recipient's Name/Title]:

Congratulations on your appointment <u>to</u> the Committee on Domestic Violence and thank you for committing your time and interest over the upcoming two years to serve as a member of this Committee. Your term is effective from July 1st, <u>2017</u> to June 30th, 2019.

The Nevada Acknowledgment of Ethical Standards for Public Officers form at <u>http://ethics.nv.gov/Forms/Home/</u> must be completed, executed, and submitted to the Nevada Commission on Ethics by July 27th, 2017. You are encouraged to review the Nevada Ethics in Government laws found in NRS 281A and NAC 281A. In addition, please review the Open Meeting Law found in NRS 241. The Open Meeting Law Manual can be found on the Attorney General's website at <u>http://ag.nv.gov</u>. Please feel free to contact Nicole Reilly, Domestic Violence Ombudsman with any questions you may have at 702-684-1201 or <u>nreilly@ag.nv.gov</u>.

Again, congratulations on your appointment and interest in <u>serving</u> on the Committee on Domestic Violence. It is through the efforts of people like you that we can continue to educate our community on the effects of domestic violence.

Sincerely,

AARON D. FORD Attorney General

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Via U.S. Mail and Electronic Mail

[Recipient's Name/Title] [Recipient's Address] [Recipient's Email Address]

Re: Removal from Committee on Domestic Violence

Dear [Recipient's Name/Title]:

Thank you for your interest in serving on the Committee on Domestic Violence. As you know, the Committee needs to maintain a quorum for each meeting, which is based on the total number of members. Members who participate infrequently make it challenging to hold meetings as planned. Due to the infrequent attendance during this term, you will be removed from the Committee on Domestic Violence immediately.

Again, thank you for volunteering to serve on the Committee on Domestic Violence and your dedication to Nevada crime victims.

I would like to thank you for your interest in serving on the Committee on Domestic Violence. The Committee has now met three <u>times</u> and you have been unable to attend. Accordingly, I must remove you from the Committee effective immediately.

Again, thank you for your interest in serving. Additionally, I would like to thank you for your dedication to serving Nevada crime victims.

Sincerely,

AARON D. FORD Attorney General

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