

SENATE BILL NO. 26—COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

(ON BEHALF OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL)

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Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Creates a statewide automated victim information and notification system within the Office of the Attorney General. (BDR 18-214)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to the Office of the Attorney General; creating a statewide automated victim information and notification system within the Office; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 This bill creates a statewide automated victim information and notification
2 system known as the Victim Information Notification Everyday System. The
3 System consists of a toll-free telephone number and an Internet website through
4 which a victim of a crime or a member of the public may register to receive certain
5 information concerning the transfer of the custody of an offender or the release or
6 escape from custody of an offender sentenced to a term of imprisonment in a
7 county jail or the state prison. Under this bill, the System is overseen by a
8 subcommittee of the Nevada Council for the Prevention of Domestic Violence
9 which is appointed by the Attorney General after considering nominations by the
10 Council.

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

Section 1. Chapter 228 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. There is hereby created in the Office of the Attorney General the Victim Information Notification Everyday System, which consists of a toll-free telephone number and an Internet



1 *website through which victims of crime and members of the public*
2 *may register to receive automated information and notification*
3 *concerning changes in the custody status of an offender.*

4 **2. The Attorney General shall:**

5 *(a) Appoint a subcommittee of the Nevada Council for the*
6 *Prevention of Domestic Violence created by NRS 228.480 to serve*
7 *as the Governance Committee for the System; and*

8 *(b) Consider nominations by the Council when appointing*
9 *members of the Governance Committee.*

10 **3. The Governance Committee may adopt policies, protocols**
11 **and regulations for the operation and oversight of the system.**

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

15 **5. To the extent of available funding, each sheriff and chief**
16 **of police, the Department of Corrections, the Department of**
17 **Public Safety and the State Board of Parole Commissioners shall**
18 **cooperate with the Attorney General to establish and maintain the**
19 **System.**

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

26 **7. As used in this section:**

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

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

31 **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2013.

