

Senate Bill No. 26—Committee on Government Affairs

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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:

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

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. 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 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 Attorney General shall:

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

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

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

6. The failure of the 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.

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

