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SENATE BILL NO. 502–COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

(ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION)

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Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

SUMMARY—Makes various changes relating to certain required investigations of the background and personal history of certain persons as a condition of employment, licensure, certification and other privileges. (BDR 40-1137)

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

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

AN ACT relating to public health; authorizing the Health Division of the Department of Health and Human Services to establish an Internet website for certain entities to conduct required background investigations; revising provisions relating to the licensing of certain medical and other related health facilities; providing a penalty; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law requires certain entities to conduct a background investigation of 1 23456789 the criminal and personal history of certain persons. (NRS 62B.270, 424.031, 424.039, 427A.701, 427A.735, 432.100, 432A.170, 432A.175, 432B.391, 432B.625, 433B.183, 435B.235, 435.335, 449.122, 449.123) Section 2 of this bill authorizes the Health Division of the Department of Health and Human Services to establish an Internet website for use by these entities in conducting the required investigations. Section 3 of this bill describes the information that may be obtained from a search of the Internet website. Section 3.5 of this bill authorizes a person who has access to the Internet website to enter and manage information on the 10 Internet website. Section 4 of this bill allows the Health Division to enter into cooperative agreements to obtain and accept information for inclusion on the 11 12 Internet website. Section 5 of this bill describes information that may be collected,





13 maintained and stored on the Internet website. Section 6 of this bill requires the 14 Health Division to limit access to information on the Internet website to 15 information that is necessary for the particular client using the website to conduct 16 an investigation. Section 7 of this bill authorizes the Health Division to adopt 17 regulations to establish a fee for use of the Internet website and to carry out the 18 provisions relating to the Internet website.

19 Existing law requires investigations of applicants for a license to operate certain 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 facilities, agencies or homes and investigations of employees or independent contractors of certain agencies, facilities or homes. (NRS 449.122, 449.123) Section 10 of this bill provides certain requirements relating to employees of a temporary employment service. Sections 9 and 13-16 of this bill add certain facilities, agencies, homes and programs which are required to be investigated and to conduct investigations of their employees, employees from a temporary employment service and independent contractors. Sections 14-16 require employees of a temporary employment service which provide services to such entities to be subject to such investigations.

Section 14 also requires such entities to use the Internet website of the Health Division, if established pursuant to section 2, as part of the investigation of employees, employees of a temporary employment service and independent contractors. Section 14 also revises the procedure for conducting background investigations and exempts certain persons from the criminal background investigation if an investigation has been conducted within the immediately preceding 5 years.

Section 15 requires the entities which are required to conduct background investigations to maintain a current list of its employees, employees from a 38 temporary employment service and independent contractors on the Internet website 39 established pursuant to section 2. Section 15 also authorizes the Central Repository 40 for Nevada Records of Criminal History to maintain electronic images of 41 fingerprints for the purpose of notifying those entities and the Health Division if an 42 employee, employee of a temporary employment service or independent contractor 43 has been convicted of certain crimes.

44 Under existing law a license to operate certain facilities, homes or agencies 45 may be denied, suspended or revoked if an applicant or a licensee has been 46 convicted of certain crimes. (NRS 449.174) Section 17 of this bill adds certain 47 other facilities, hospitals, agencies, homes and programs to this provision. Section 48 17 also adds battery with the intent to kill or commit sexual assault or mayhem to 49 the list of crimes, a conviction of which may result in the denial, suspension or 50 revocation of a license to operate such an entity.

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

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 439 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of this 2 3 act.

4 The Health Division may establish a secure Sec. 2. 1. Internet website which makes certain information available for a 5 website client to conduct an investigation into the background and 6 personal history of a person that is required pursuant to the 7

provisions of this chapter or chapter 62B, 63, 424, 427A, 432, 8 432A, 432B, 433, 433B, 435 or 449 of NRS. 9





1 *2*. To become a website client, a person or governmental 2 entity must: 3

(a) Create an account on the Internet website:

(b) Comply with sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of this act and any 4 5 regulations adopted pursuant thereto governing use of the Internet 6 website: and

7 (c) Designate a website client administrator who is responsible 8 for:

9 (1) Determining the persons who are authorized to use the 10 Internet website:

11 (2) Providing the Health Division with the names of the 12 persons who are authorized to use the Internet website;

13 (3) Ensuring that only those authorized persons have 14 access to the Internet website: and

15 (4) Notifying the Health Division of any change in the 16 persons who are authorized to use the Internet website.

Authorized employees of the Health Division and of the 17 3. 18 Department of Public Safety may be designated to serve as administrators of the Internet website with access to all the data 19 20 and information on the Internet website.

21 4. Except as otherwise provided in this section and NRS 22 239.0115, information collected, maintained, stored, backed up or 23 on file on the Internet website is confidential, not subject to 24 subpoena or discovery and is not subject to inspection by the 25 general public.

The Health Division shall ensure that any information 26 5. collected, maintained and stored on the Internet website is 27 protected adequately from fire, theft, loss, destruction, other 28 29 hazards and unauthorized access, and is backed-up in a manner 30 that ensures proper confidentiality and security.

31 6. The Internet website must be maintained in accordance with any requirements of the Division of Enterprise Information 32 Technology Services of the Department of Administration 33 established for use of the equipment or services of the Division 34 35 pursuant to NRS 242.181.

36 Sec. 3. 1. A person authorized to use the Internet website established pursuant to section 2 of this act may access the website 37 to search for information necessary to conduct an investigation of 38 39 the background and personal history of a person when required. Such a search may include, without limitation, to the extent that 40 41 the information is available:

42 (a) Determining whether the person being investigated has 43 been convicted of a crime that disqualifies the person for 44 employment, licensure or other privilege sought;





1 (b) Verifying the social security number, date of birth and driver's license or identification card number of the person being 2 3 investigated;

(c) Determining whether any disciplinary action has been 4 taken by a professional licensing board against the person being 5 6 investigated; and

(d) Determining whether the person being investigated is 7 included on the list of individuals who are excluded from 8 participation in Medicare, Medicaid and other federal health care 9 programs pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §§ 1320a-7 et seq. 10

The Internet website established pursuant to section 2 of 11 this act may include, without limitation, any relevant information 12 that is available to the public, including, without limitation, 13 hyperlinks to relevant publicly available Internet websites and 14 registries, forms and educational materials. 15

Sec. 3.5. A person authorized to use the Internet website 16 17 established pursuant to section 2 of this act may access the website 18 to: 19

Enter any required information; 1.

Manage the information to which the person has access; 20 2. 21 and

3. Manage the account of the person.

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Sec. 4. The Health Division may enter into cooperative 23 agreements to obtain and accept information for inclusion on the 24 25 Internet website established pursuant to section 2 of this act from:

1. The Statewide Central Registry for the Collection of 26 Information Concerning the Abuse or Neglect of a Child established pursuant to NRS 432.100 and any similar registry 27 28 29 maintained by a governmental entity of any state or territory 30 within the United States:

31 2. The Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal 32 History or any similar repository maintained by a government agency of any state or territory within the United States; and 33

3. Any other state or federal agency which maintains a 34 database, repository or registry which contains information the 35 Health Division determines is necessary or appropriate for 36 37 inclusion on the Internet website.

Sec. 5. 1. In addition to any other information included on 38 39 the Internet website established pursuant to section 2 of this act, the Health Division may collect, maintain and store on the 40 Internet website the following information relating to the 41 42 background and personal history of a person:

43 (a) The first, middle and last name of the person, any aliases used by the person and, if available, a photograph of the person; 44





(b) The social security number, date of birth and, if available, 1 2 the driver's license or identification card number of the person;

3 (c) Information regarding the criminal convictions of the 4 person, if any;

5 (d) Any other information submitted pursuant to section 4 of 6 this act: and

7 (e) Any other information determined by the Health Division 8 to be necessary or appropriate.

The information described in subsection 1 may be 9 2. 10 collected, stored and maintained electronically, in hard copy, in a database, through a secure interface from a state or federal 11 governmental entity directly to the Internet website, or by any 12 13 other means as the Health Division determines necessary or 14 appropriate.

15 Sec. 6. 1. When establishing permissions for a website 16 client to access information on the Internet website established pursuant to section 2 of this act, the Health Division shall 17 determine the information necessary for the website client to 18 conduct an investigation into the background and personal history 19 20 of a person and limit access to the website client to only the 21 information necessary for that website client.

Information regarding a person whose background and 22 *2*. personal history is investigated must not be shared with any other 23 24 website client.

25 3. A person who is authorized to use the Internet website by the website client administrator pursuant to section 2 of this act 26 27 may be given permission to access any information deemed 28 necessary pursuant to subsection 1. 29

Sec. 7. The Health Division may adopt regulations to:

30 1. Prescribe a fee to be imposed on website clients for use of 31 the Internet website established pursuant to section 2 of this act; 32 and

33 2. *Carry out the provisions of sections 2 to 7, inclusive, of this* 34 act.

35 Sec. 8. Chapter 449 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 9 and 10 of this act. 36

Sec. 9. As used in NRS 449.121 to 449.125, inclusive, and 37 sections 9 and 10 of this act, "facility, hospital, agency, program 38 or home" means an agency to provide personal care services in 39 the home, an agency to provide nursing in the home, a facility for 40 intermediate care, a facility for skilled nursing, a hospital 41 described in 42 U.S.C. § 1395ww(d)(1)(B)(iv) which accepts 42 payment through Medicare, a residential facility for groups, a 43 44 program of hospice care, a home for individual residential care, a 45 facility for the care of adults during the day, a facility for hospice





care, a nursing pool, the distinct part of a hospital which meets the
 requirements of a skilled nursing facility or nursing facility
 pursuant to 42 C.F.R. § 483.5(b)(2), a hospital that provides
 swing-bed services as described in 42 C.F.R. § 482.66 or, if
 residential services are provided to children, a medical facility or
 facility for the treatment of abuse of alcohol or drugs.

7 Sec. 10. 1. A temporary employment service shall not send 8 an employee to provide services to a facility, hospital, agency, 9 program or home if the temporary employment service has 10 received notice from a facility, hospital, agency, program or home 11 that the employee of the temporary employment service is 12 ineligible to provide such services.

13 2. A facility, hospital, agency, program or home that enters 14 into an agreement with a temporary employment service to provide 15 services for the facility, hospital, agency, program or home on a 16 temporary basis must require the temporary employment service 17 to:

18 (a) Provide proof that each employee of the temporary 19 employment service whom it may send to provide services to the 20 facility, hospital, agency, program or home has been continuously 21 employed by the temporary employment service since the last 22 investigation conducted of the employee pursuant to NRS 449.123; 23 and

(b) Notify the facility, hospital, agency, program or home if the
investigation conducted of an employee of the temporary
employment service pursuant to NRS 449.123 has not been
conducted within the immediately preceding 5 years.

Sec. 11. NRS 449.089 is hereby amended to read as follows:

29 1. Each license issued pursuant to NRS 449.030 to 449.089 30 449.240, inclusive, and sections 9 and 10 of this act expires on 31 December 31 following its issuance and is renewable for 1 year upon reapplication and payment of all fees required pursuant to 32 449.050 unless the Health Division finds. 33 NRS after an investigation, that the facility has not: 34

(a) Satisfactorily complied with the provisions of NRS 449.030
to 449.240, inclusive, *and sections 9 and 10 of this act* or the
standards and regulations adopted by the Board;

(b) Obtained the approval of the Director of the Department of
Health and Human Services before undertaking a project, if such
approval is required by NRS 439A.100; or

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(c) Conformed to all applicable local zoning regulations.

42 2. Each reapplication for an agency to provide personal care 43 services in the home, an agency to provide nursing in the home, a 44 facility for intermediate care, a facility for skilled nursing, *a* 45 *hospital described in 42 U.S.C.* § 1395ww(d)(1)(B)(iv) which





1 *accepts payment through Medicare*, a residential facility for groups 2 , a program of hospice care, for a home for individual residential care, a facility for the care of adults during the day, a facility for 3 4 hospice care, a nursing pool, the distinct part of a hospital which 5 meets the requirements of a skilled nursing facility or nursing facility pursuant to 42 C.F.R. § 483.5(b)(2), a hospital that 6 7 provides swing-bed services as described in 42 C.F.R. § 482.66 or, 8 if residential services are provided to children, a medical facility or 9 facility for the treatment of abuse of alcohol or drugs must include, 10 without limitation, a statement that the facility, *hospital*, agency, 11 *program* or home is in compliance with the provisions of NRS 12 449.121 to 449.125, inclusive, and sections 9 and 10 of this act, 13 and 449.174.

14 3. Each reapplication for an agency to provide personal care 15 services in the home, a facility for intermediate care, a facility for 16 skilled nursing, a facility for the care of adults during the day, a 17 residential facility for groups or a home for individual residential care must include, without limitation, a statement that the holder of 18 19 the license to operate, and the administrator or other person in charge and employees of, the facility, agency or home are in 20 21 compliance with the provisions of NRS 449.093.

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Sec. 12. NRS 449.121 is hereby amended to read as follows:

23 449.121 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the provisions of NRS 449.122 to 449.125, inclusive, and sections 9 24 25 and 10 of this act and 449.174 do not apply to any facility for the 26 treatment of abuse of alcohol or drugs.

2. A facility for the treatment of abuse of alcohol or drugs must 27 28 comply with the requirements of NRS 449.122 to 449.125, 29 inclusive, and sections 9 and 10 of this act and 449.174 if the 30 facility for the treatment of abuse of alcohol or drugs provides 31 residential services to children.

Sec. 13. NRS 449.122 is hereby amended to read as follows:

32 33 449.122 1. Each applicant for a license to operate a facility Ifor intermediate care, facility for skilled nursing, residential facility 34 for groups, agency to provide personal care services in the home or 35 home for individual residential care or, if residential services are 36 37 provided to children, a medical facility or facility for the treatment of abuse of alcohol or drugs], hospital, agency, program or home 38 39 shall submit to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History [two] one complete [sets] set of fingerprints for 40 41 submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report. 42

2. The Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal 43 History shall determine whether the applicant has been convicted of 44 a crime listed in paragraph (a) of subsection 1 of NRS 449.174 and 45 immediately inform the administrator of the facility, *hospital*,





1 agency, *program* or home, if any, and the Health Division of 2 whether the applicant has been convicted of such a crime.

3 3. A person who holds a license to operate an agency, a 4 facility or al a facility, hospital, agency, program or home which 5 provides residential services to children shall submit to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History [two] one 6 complete [sets] set of fingerprints for a report required by this 7 section at least once every 5 years after the initial investigation. 8 9

Sec. 14. NRS 449.123 is hereby amended to read as follows:

10 449.123 Except as otherwise provided in **[subsection]** 1. subsections 2 [] and 3, within 10 days after hiring an employee, 11 accepting an employee of a temporary employment service or 12 13 entering into a contract with an independent contractor, the 14 administrator of, or the person licensed to operate [, an agency to 15 provide personal care services in the home, an agency to provide 16 nursing in the home, a facility for intermediate care, a facility for 17 skilled nursing, a residential facility for groups or a home for individual residential care or, if residential services are provided to 18 19 children, a medical facility or a facility for the treatment of abuse of 20 alcohol or drugs] a facility, hospital, agency, program or home 21 shall:

22 (a) Obtain a written statement from the employee, *employee of* 23 *the temporary employment service* or independent contractor stating 24 whether he or she has been convicted of any crime listed in 25 NRS 449.174;

26 (b) Obtain an oral and written confirmation of the information 27 contained in the written statement obtained pursuant to 28 paragraph (a);

29 (c) Obtain proof that the employee, employee of the temporary 30 employment service or independent contractor holds any required 31 *license, permit or certificate;*

(d) Obtain from the employee, employee of the temporary 32 33 *employment service* or independent contractor [two sets] one set of fingerprints and a written authorization to forward the fingerprints to 34 the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History for 35 36 submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report; fand 37 (d) (e) Submit to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of 38 Criminal History the fingerprints obtained pursuant to paragraph 39 (d) to obtain information on the background and personal 40 history of each employee, *employee of a temporary employment* 41 *service* or independent contractor to determine whether the person has been convicted of any crime listed in NRS 449.174 +. 42

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44 (f) If an Internet website has been established pursuant to 45 section 2 of this act:





1 (1) Screen the employee, employee of the temporary 2 employment service or independent contractor using the Internet 3 website. Upon request of the Health Division, proof that the 4 employee, temporary employee or independent contractor was 5 screened pursuant to this subparagraph must be provided to the 6 Health Division.

7 (2) Enter on the Internet website information to be 8 maintained on the website concerning the employee, employee of a 9 temporary employment service or independent contractor.

10 The administrator of, or the person licensed to operate, lan 2. agency to provide personal care services in the home, an agency to 11 provide nursing in the home, a facility for intermediate care, a 12 13 facility for skilled nursing, a residential facility for groups or a home 14 for individual residential care or, if residential services are provided 15 to children, a medical facility or a facility for the treatment of abuse 16 of alcohol or drugs] a facility, hospital, agency, program or home 17 is not required to obtain the information described in subsection 1 18 from an employee, employee of a temporary employment service 19 or independent contractor who provides proof that an investigation of his or her background and personal history has been conducted 20 by if his or her fingerprints have been submitted to the Central 21 Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History [within] for 22 submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report 23 24 *within* the immediately preceding 6 months and the *linvestigation* 25 did not indicatel report of the Federal Bureau of Investigation indicated that the employee, employee of the temporary 26 27 *employment service* or independent contractor [had] has not been convicted of any crime set forth in NRS 449.174. 28

29 3. The administrator of, or the person licensed to operate, a 30 facility, hospital, agency, program or home is not required to 31 obtain the information described in subsection 1, other than the 32 information described in paragraph (c) of subsection 1, from an 33 employee, employee of a temporary employment service or 34 independent contractor if:

(a) The employee, employee of a temporary employment 35 36 service or independent contractor agrees to allow the administrator of, or the person licensed to operate, a facility, 37 38 hospital, agency, program or home to receive notice from the 39 Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History regarding any conviction and subsequent conviction of the 40 41 employee, employee of a temporary employment service or 42 independent contractor of a crime listed in NRS 449.174;

43 (b) An agency, board or commission that regulates an 44 occupation or profession pursuant to title 54 of NRS or temporary 45 employment service has, within the immediately preceding 5 years,



1 submitted the fingerprints of the employee, employee of a 2 temporary employment service or independent contractor to the 3 Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History for 4 submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its report; 5 and

6 (c) The report of the Federal Bureau of Investigation indicated 7 that the employee, employee of the temporary employment service 8 or independent contractor has not been convicted of any crime set 9 forth in NRS 449.174.

10 The administrator of, or the person licensed to operate, an 4. 11 agency to provide personal care services in the home, an agency to provide nursing in the home, a facility for intermediate care, a 12 13 facility for skilled nursing, a residential facility for groups or a home 14 for individual residential care or, if residential services are provided 15 to children, a medical facility or a facility for the treatment of abuse 16 of alcohol or drugs] a facility, hospital, agency, program or home 17 shall ensure that the information concerning the background and 18 personal history of each employee, *employee of a temporary* 19 *employment service* or independent contractor who works at the [agency or facility:] facility, hospital, agency, program or home: 20

(a) [Is] Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, is
completed as soon as practicable, and if residential services are
provided to children, before the employee , employee of the
temporary employment service or independent contractor provides
any care or services to a child in the [agency,] facility , hospital,
agency, program or home without supervision; and

(b) At least once every 5 years [thereafter.] after the date of the
 initial investigation.

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[4.] 5. The administrator or person shall [:], when required:

(a) [If the agency, facility or home does not have the fingerprints
 of the employee or independent contractor on file, obtain] Obtain
 [two sets] one set of fingerprints from the employee , employee of
 the temporary employment service or independent contractor;

(b) Obtain written authorization from the employee , *employee of the temporary employment service* or independent contractor to
forward the fingerprints [on file or] obtained pursuant to paragraph
(a) to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal
History for submission to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for its
report; and

40 (c) Submit the fingerprints to the Central Repository for Nevada
41 Records of Criminal History - or, if the fingerprints were
42 submitted electronically, obtain proof of electronic submission of
43 the fingerprints to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of
44 Criminal History.





1 [5.] 6. Upon receiving fingerprints submitted pursuant to this 2 section, the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History shall determine whether the employee, employee of the 3 4 *temporary employment service* or independent contractor has been convicted of a crime listed in NRS 449.174 and immediately inform 5 6 the Health Division and the administrator of, or the person licensed to operate, the *[agency,]* facility , *hospital, agency, program* or 7 home at which the person works whether the employee, employee 8 9 of the temporary employment service or independent contractor has 10 been convicted of such a crime.

[6.] 7. The Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal 11 12 History may impose a fee upon fan agency, a facility or al a facility, 13 hospital, agency, program or home that submits fingerprints 14 pursuant to this section for the reasonable cost of the investigation. 15 The **[agency,]** facility , *hospital*, *agency*, *program* or home may 16 recover from the employee or independent contractor whose 17 fingerprints are submitted not more than one-half of the fee 18 imposed by the Central Repository. If the <u>lagency</u> facility, 19 hospital, agency, program or home requires the employee or independent contractor to pay for any part of the fee imposed by the 20 Central Repository, it shall allow the employee or independent 21 22 contractor to pay the amount through periodic payments. The facility, hospital, agency, program or home may require a 23 temporary employment service which employs a temporary 24 employee whose fingerprints are submitted to pay the fee imposed 25 by the Central Repository. A facility, hospital, agency, program or 26 27 home shall notify a temporary employment service if a person employed by the temporary employment service is determined to be 28 29 ineligible to provide services at the facility, hospital, agency, 30 program or home based upon the results of investigation 31 conducted pursuant to this section.

8. Unless a greater penalty is provided by law, a person who willfully provides a false statement or information in connection with an investigation of the background and personal history of the person pursuant to this section that would disqualify the person from employment, including, without limitation, a conviction of a crime listed in NRS 449.174, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

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Sec. 15. NRS 449.124 is hereby amended to read as follows:

40 449.124 1. Each <u>[agency to provide personal care services in</u> 41 the home, agency to provide nursing in the home, facility for 42 intermediate care, facility for skilled nursing, residential facility for 43 groups and home for individual residential care and, if residential 44 services are provided to children, a medical facility and facility for 45 the treatment of abuse of alcohol or drugs] *facility, hospital, agency,*





1 program or home shall maintain records of the information concerning its employees , employees of a temporary employment 2 3 service and independent contractors collected pursuant to NRS 4 449.123, including, without limitation:

5 (a) A copy of the fingerprints that were submitted to the Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History or proof of 6 7 electronic fingerprint submission and a copy of the written 8 authorization that was provided by the employee **[]**, employee of 9 the temporary employment service or independent contractor;

10 (b) Proof that the fingerprints of the employee, *employee of the* 11 temporary employment service or independent contractor were 12 submitted to the Central Repository; and

13 (c) Any other documentation of the information collected 14 pursuant to NRS 449.123.

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The records maintained pursuant to subsection 1 must be: 2.

16 (a) Maintained for the period of the *employee's* employment 17 of the person with the [agency,] facility , hospital, agency, program 18 or home: and

19 (b) Made available for inspection by the Health Division at any 20 reasonable time, and copies thereof must be furnished to the Health 21 Division upon request.

22 If an Internet website has been established pursuant to *3*. section 2 of this act, a facility, hospital, agency, program or home 23 shall maintain a current list of its employees, employees of a 24 25 temporary employment service and independent contractors on the 26 Internet website.

27 The Central Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal 4. History may maintain an electronic image of fingerprints 28 29 submitted pursuant to NRS 449.122 and 449.123 to notify a 30 facility, hospital, agency, program or home and the Health Division of any subsequent conviction of a person who is required 31 to submit to an investigation pursuant to NRS 449.122 or 449.123. 32 33

Sec. 16. NRS 449.125 is hereby amended to read as follows:

449.125 34 Upon receiving information from the Central 1. Repository for Nevada Records of Criminal History pursuant to 35 NRS 449.123, or evidence from any other source, that an employee, 36 employee of a temporary employment service or independent 37 contractor of [an agency to provide personal care services in the 38 home, an agency to provide nursing in the home, a facility for 39 intermediate care, a facility for skilled nursing, a residential facility 40 for groups or home for individual residential care or, if residential 41 42 services are provided to children, a medical facility or facility for 43 the treatment of abuse of alcohol or drugs has] a facility, hospital, 44 agency, program or home:





1 (a) Has been convicted of a crime listed in paragraph (a) of 2 subsection 1 of NRS 449.174 $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$; or

3 (b) Has had a substantiated report of abuse or neglect made 4 against him or her, *if he or she is employed at a facility, hospital,* 5 *agency, program or home that provides residential services to* 6 *children,*

7 → the administrator of, or the person licensed to operate, the 8 [agency,] facility , hospital, agency, program or home shall 9 terminate the employment or contract of that person or notify the 10 temporary employment service that its employee is prohibited from 11 providing services for the facility, hospital, agency, program or 12 home after allowing [him or her] the person time to correct the 13 information as required pursuant to subsection 2.

14 2. If an employee, employee of a temporary employment 15 service or independent contractor believes that the information 16 provided by the Central Repository is incorrect, the employee, 17 employee of the temporary employment service or independent 18 contractor may immediately inform the lagency, facility or home. 19 An agency, facility, hospital, agency, program or home or temporary employment service. The facility, hospital, agency, 20 21 program, home or temporary employment service that is so 22 informed shall give the employee, employee of the temporary 23 *employment service* or independent contractor a reasonable amount 24 of time of not less than 30 days to correct the information received 25 from the Central Repository before terminating the employment or 26 contract of the person pursuant to subsection 1.

3. [An agency,] A facility, hospital, agency, program or home
that has complied with NRS 449.123 may not be held civilly or
criminally liable based solely upon the ground that the [agency,]
facility, hospital, agency, program or home allowed an employee,
employee of a temporary employment service or independent
contractor to work:

(a) Before it received the information concerning the employee,
 employee of the temporary employment service or independent
 contractor from the Central Repository, except that an employee,
 employee of the temporary employment service or independent
 contractor shall not have contact with a child without supervision
 before such information is received;

(b) During the period required pursuant to subsection 2 to allow
the employee , *employee of the temporary employment service* or
independent contractor to correct that information, except that an
employee , *employee of the temporary employment service* or
independent contractor shall not have contact with a child without
supervision during such period;





(c) Based on the information received from the Central 1 Repository, if the information received from the Central Repository 2 3 was inaccurate; or 4

(d) Any combination thereof.

5 → [An agency,] A facility, hospital, agency, program or home may be held liable for any other conduct determined to be negligent or 6 7 unlawful. 8

Sec. 17. NRS 449.174 is hereby amended to read as follows:

9 449.174 1. In addition to the grounds listed in NRS 449.160, the Health Division may deny a license to operate a [facility for 10 intermediate care, facility for skilled nursing, residential facility for 11 groups or home for individual residential care] facility, hospital, 12 13 agency, program or home to an applicant or may suspend or revoke 14 the license of a licensee to operate such a facility, *hospital, agency*, 15 **program** or home if:

16 17 (a) The applicant or licensee has been convicted of:

(1) Murder, voluntary manslaughter or mayhem;

18 (2) Assault *or battery* with intent to kill or to commit sexual 19 assault or mayhem;

20 (3) Sexual assault, statutory sexual seduction, incest, 21 lewdness or indecent exposure, or any other sexually related crime 22 that is punished as a felony;

(4) Prostitution, solicitation, lewdness or indecent exposure, 23 or any other sexually related crime that is punished as a 24 misdemeanor, within the immediately preceding 7 years; 25

(5) A crime involving domestic violence that is punished as a 26 27 felony:

28 (6) A crime involving domestic violence that is punished as a 29 misdemeanor, within the immediately preceding 7 years;

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(7) Abuse or neglect of a child or contributory delinquency;

31 (8) A violation of any federal or state law regulating the 32 possession, distribution or use of any controlled substance or any dangerous drug as defined in chapter 454 of NRS, within the 33 34 immediately preceding 7 years;

35 (9) Abuse, neglect, exploitation or isolation of older persons or vulnerable persons, including, without limitation, a violation of 36 any provision of NRS 200.5091 to 200.50995, inclusive, or a law of 37 38 any other jurisdiction that prohibits the same or similar conduct;

39 (10) A violation of any provision of law relating to the State Plan for Medicaid or a law of any other jurisdiction that prohibits 40 41 the same or similar conduct, within the immediately preceding 7 42 years;

43 (11) A violation of any provision of NRS 422.450 to 44 422.590, inclusive;





1 (12) A criminal offense under the laws governing Medicaid 2 or Medicare, within the immediately preceding 7 years;

3 (13) Any offense involving fraud, theft, embezzlement, 4 burglary, robbery, fraudulent conversion or misappropriation of 5 property, within the immediately preceding 7 years;

6 (14) Any other felony involving the use or threatened use of 7 force or violence against the victim or the use of a firearm or other 8 deadly weapon; or

9 (15) An attempt or conspiracy to commit any of the offenses 10 listed in this paragraph, within the immediately preceding 7 years; 11 for

12 (b) The licensee has, in violation of NRS 449.125, continued to 13 employ a person who has been convicted of a crime listed in 14 paragraph (a) +; or

15 (c) The applicant or licensee has had a substantiated report of 16 child abuse or neglect made against him or her and if the facility, 17 hospital, agency, program or home provides residential services to 18 children.

19 2. In addition to the grounds listed in NRS 449.160, the Health Division may deny a license to operate an agency to provide 20 21 personal care services in the home or an agency to provide nursing in the home to an applicant or may suspend or revoke the license of 22 a licensee to operate [such] an agency to provide personal care 23 services in the home or an agency to provide nursing in the home if the licensee has, in violation of NRS 449.125, continued to 24 25 employ a person who has been convicted of a crime listed in 26 27 paragraph (a) of subsection 1.

28 3. As used in this section:

29 (a) "Domestic violence" means an act described in NRS 33.018.

30 (b) "Facility, hospital, agency, program or home" has the 31 meaning ascribed to it in section 9 of this act.

32 (c) "Medicaid" has the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 439B.120.

33 **((c))** (d) "Medicare" has the meaning ascribed to it in 34 NRS 439B.130.

35 Sec. 18. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2013.





