SENATE BILL NO. 141-SENATOR SCHEIBLE

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to local facilities for detention. (BDR 16-241)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact. Effect on the State: No.

CONTAINS UNFUNDED MANDATE (§ 1) (NOT REQUESTED BY AFFECTED LOCAL GOVERNMENT)

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

AN ACT relating to corrections; providing for the development and implementation of certain policies relating to prisoners in a county, city or town jail or detention facility who are transgender, gender non-conforming, gender non-binary and intersex; authorizing the development and implementation of certain training relating to such prisoners; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law requires the Director of the Department of Corrections to adopt regulations prescribing certain standards for the supervision, custody, care, security, housing and medical and mental health treatment of offenders who are transgender, gender non-conforming, gender non-binary and intersex. (NRS 209.358) **Section 1** of this bill similarly requires the sheriff, chief of police or town marshal responsible for the operation of a county, city or town jail or detention facility to develop and implement a policy concerning the supervision, custody, care, security, housing and medical and mental health treatment of prisoners who are transgender, gender non-conforming, gender non-binary and intersex.

Existing law authorizes the Director of the Department to develop and implement a program of facility training for the correctional staff in each institution and facility of the Department, which includes training in cultural competency for interacting with offenders who are transgender, gender non-conforming, gender non-binary and intersex. (NRS 209.1315) **Section 1** likewise authorizes the sheriff, chief of police or town marshal responsible for the operation of a county, city or town jail or detention facility to develop and implement training for members of the staff of the jail or detention facility in cultural competency for interacting with





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

Section 1. Chapter 211 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. The sheriff, chief of police or town marshal responsible for the operation of a county, city or town jail or detention facility shall develop and implement a policy concerning the supervision, custody, care, security, housing and medical and mental health treatment of prisoners who are transgender, gender nonconforming, gender non-binary and intersex. The policy must:

(a) Apply the generally accepted standards of care and best practices for the supervision, custody, care, security, housing and medical and mental health treatment of prisoners who are transgender, gender non-conforming, gender non-binary and

intersex;

- (b) Use respectful language and currently accepted terminology that accounts for and protects the rights of prisoners who are transgender, gender non-conforming, gender non-binary and intersex; and
- (c) Prohibit the discrimination of prisoners who are transgender, gender non-conforming, gender non-binary and intersex.
- 2. The sheriff, chief of police or town marshal responsible for the operation of a county, city or town jail or detention facility may develop and implement training for members of the staff of the jail or detention facility in cultural competency for interacting with prisoners who are transgender, gender non-conforming, gender non-binary and intersex.
 - 3. As used in this section:
- (a) "Gender non-binary" means a person whose gender identity does not conform to the traditional gender binary of male and female.
- (b) "Gender non-conforming" means a person whose gender characteristics or behaviors do not conform to those characteristics or behaviors traditionally associated with the biological sex of the person.
- (c) "Intersex" means a condition in which a person is born with external genitals, internal reproductive organs, chromosome patterns or an endocrine system that does not conform to the traditional gender binary of male or female.





(d) "Transgender" means a person whose gender identity or
expression differs from the sex assigned to the person at birth.
Sec. 2. The provisions of NRS 354.599 do not apply to any
additional expenses of a local government that are related to the
provisions of this act.





