

Assembly Bill No. 283—Assemblymen Settelmeyer, Beers, Christensen, Cobb, Hardy, Kirkpatrick, Koivisto and Stewart

CHAPTER.....

AN ACT relating to care facilities; requiring child care facilities and facilities for the care of adults during the day to maintain and provide certain information to the parents, guardians or legal representatives of persons cared for in those facilities; requiring licensing authorities to provide summaries and reports to the facilities of certain complaints against the facilities; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law requires the licensing of child care facilities (chapter 432A of NRS) and facilities for the care of adults during the day (chapter 449 of NRS). **Section 1** of this bill requires child care facilities to maintain records of licensure and disciplinary action, and to make that information available to the public and the parents or guardians of children cared for in the facility. **Section 2** of this bill makes failure to comply with this requirement a ground for revocation of the facility's license. **Sections 3 and 4** of this bill impose similar requirements with respect to facilities for the care of adults during the day. **Sections 2 and 4** also require that summaries and reports of complaints against the facilities be provided to the facilities under certain circumstances and made available to the public.

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

Section 1. Chapter 432A of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

- 1. A child care facility shall maintain a copy of:*

 - (a) The license issued to the facility by the Bureau or an agency for the licensing of child care facilities established by a county or incorporated city;*
 - (b) Any summaries of complaints provided to the facility pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 432A.190;*
 - (c) The report of any investigation conducted with respect to the complaints; and*
 - (d) The report of any disciplinary action taken against the facility pursuant to NRS 432A.190.*
- 2. The information maintained pursuant to subsection 1 must be provided in the form prescribed pursuant to subsection 3:*

 - (a) To the parent or guardian of a child who enrolls the child in the facility, at or before the time of enrollment.*



(b) To the parent or guardian of a child, upon request, who is considering enrolling the child in the facility.

(c) In the case of disciplinary action taken pursuant to NRS 432A.190, to the parents or guardians of all children admitted to the facility. Notice of disciplinary action must be provided to the parents or guardians of the children admitted to the facility within 3 working days after receipt by the licensed child care facility.

3. The Bureau shall develop a standard form for reporting the information required to be provided pursuant to subsection 2. The information reported on the form must include all required information for the 12-month period ending on the last day of the month immediately preceding the month in which the information is provided.

4. The Bureau and every agency for the licensing of child care facilities established by a county or incorporated city shall inform persons seeking information concerning child care facilities of their right to information pursuant to this section.

Sec. 2. NRS 432A.190 is hereby amended to read as follows:

432A.190 1. The Bureau may deny an application for a license or may suspend or revoke any license issued under the provisions of this chapter upon any of the following grounds:

(a) Violation by the applicant or licensee or an employee of the applicant or licensee of any of the provisions of this chapter or of any other law of this State or of the standards and other regulations adopted thereunder.

(b) Aiding, abetting or permitting the commission of any illegal act.

(c) Conduct inimical to the public health, morals, welfare and safety of the people of the State of Nevada in the maintenance and operation of the child care facility for which a license is issued.

(d) Conduct or practice detrimental to the health or safety of the occupants or employees of the child care facility, or the clients of the outdoor youth program.

(e) Conviction of any crime listed in subsection 2 of NRS 432A.170 committed by the applicant or licensee or an employee of the applicant or licensee, or by a resident of the child care facility or participant in the outdoor youth program who is 18 years of age or older.

(f) Failure to comply with the provisions of section 1 of this act.

2. In addition to the provisions of subsection 1, the Bureau may revoke a license to operate a child care facility if, with respect to



that facility, the licensee that operates the facility, or an agent or employee of the licensee:

(a) Is convicted of violating any of the provisions of NRS 202.470;

(b) Is ordered to but fails to abate a nuisance pursuant to NRS 244.360, 244.3603 or 268.4124; or

(c) Is ordered by the appropriate governmental agency to correct a violation of a building, safety or health code or regulation but fails to correct the violation.

3. The Bureau shall maintain a log of any complaints that it receives relating to activities for which the Bureau may revoke the license to operate a child care facility pursuant to subsection 2. ***The Bureau shall provide to a child care facility:***

(a) A summary of a complaint against the facility if the investigation of the complaint by the Bureau either substantiates the complaint or is inconclusive;

(b) A report of any investigation conducted with respect to the complaint; and

(c) A report of any disciplinary action taken against the facility.

► ***The facility shall make the information available to the public pursuant to section 1 of this act.***

4. On or before February 1 of each odd-numbered year, the Bureau shall submit to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau a written report setting forth, for the previous biennium:

(a) Any complaints included in the log maintained by the Bureau pursuant to subsection 3; and

(b) Any disciplinary actions taken by the Bureau pursuant to subsection 2.

Sec. 3. Chapter 449 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. A facility for the care of adults during the day shall maintain a copy of:

(a) The license issued to the facility pursuant to NRS 449.001 to 449.240, inclusive;

(b) Any summaries of complaints provided to the facility pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 449.160;

(c) The report of any investigation conducted with respect to the complaints; and

(d) The report of any disciplinary action taken against the facility pursuant to NRS 449.160 or 449.163.

2. The information maintained pursuant to subsection 1 must be provided in the form prescribed pursuant to subsection 3:



(a) To each patient or his legal representative, at or before the time of admission.

(b) To a prospective patient or his legal representative, upon request, who is considering admission of the patient to the facility.

(c) In the case of disciplinary action taken pursuant to NRS 449.160 or 449.163, to all patients admitted to the facility and their legal representatives. Notice of disciplinary action must be provided to the legal representatives of all patients admitted to the facility within 3 working days after receipt by the facility.

3. The Health Division shall develop a standard form for reporting the information required to be provided pursuant to subsection 2. The information reported on the form must include all required information for the 12-month period ending on the last day of the month immediately preceding the month in which the information is provided.

4. The Health Division shall inform persons seeking information concerning facilities for the care of adults during the day of their right to information pursuant to this section.

Sec. 4. NRS 449.160 is hereby amended to read as follows:

449.160 1. The Health Division may deny an application for a license or may suspend or revoke any license issued under the provisions of NRS 449.001 to 449.240, inclusive, upon any of the following grounds:

(a) Violation by the applicant or the licensee of any of the provisions of NRS 439B.410 or 449.001 to 449.245, inclusive, or of any other law of this State or of the standards, rules and regulations adopted thereunder.

(b) Aiding, abetting or permitting the commission of any illegal act.

(c) Conduct inimical to the public health, morals, welfare and safety of the people of the State of Nevada in the maintenance and operation of the premises for which a license is issued.

(d) Conduct or practice detrimental to the health or safety of the occupants or employees of the facility.

(e) Failure of the applicant to obtain written approval from the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services as required by NRS 439A.100 or as provided in any regulation adopted pursuant to this chapter, if such approval is required.

(f) Failure to comply with the provisions of section 3 of this act.

2. In addition to the provisions of subsection 1, the Health Division may revoke a license to operate a facility for the dependent



if, with respect to that facility, the licensee that operates the facility, or an agent or employee of the licensee:

- (a) Is convicted of violating any of the provisions of NRS 202.470;
- (b) Is ordered to but fails to abate a nuisance pursuant to NRS 244.360, 244.3603 or 268.4124; or
- (c) Is ordered by the appropriate governmental agency to correct a violation of a building, safety or health code or regulation but fails to correct the violation.

3. The Health Division shall maintain a log of any complaints that it receives relating to activities for which the Health Division may revoke the license to operate a facility for the dependent pursuant to subsection 2. *The Health Division shall provide to a facility for the care of adults during the day:*

(a) A summary of a complaint against the facility if the investigation of the complaint by the Health Division either substantiates the complaint or is inconclusive;

(b) A report of any investigation conducted with respect to the complaint; and

(c) A report of any disciplinary action taken against the facility.

→ The facility shall make the information available to the public pursuant to section 3 of this act.

4. On or before February 1 of each odd-numbered year, the Health Division shall submit to the Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau a written report setting forth, for the previous biennium:

(a) Any complaints included in the log maintained by the Health Division pursuant to subsection 3; and

(b) Any disciplinary actions taken by the Health Division pursuant to subsection 2.

