

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 260—ASSEMBLYMEN MCCLAIN, ARBERRY, KOIVISTO, OHRENSCHALL, ANDERSON; AIZLEY, BOBZIEN, BUCKLEY, CLABORN, CONKLIN, DENIS, HOGAN, KIRKPATRICK, LESLIE, MASTROLUCA, MORTENSON, MUNFORD, PIERCE AND SMITH

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Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Requires training for persons required to report certain crimes against older persons. (BDR 18-125)

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 older persons; requiring the Unit for the Investigation and Prosecution of Crimes Against Older Persons within the Office of the Attorney General to prepare and make available on the Internet an on-line course for the training of certain persons who are required to report certain crimes against older persons; mandating that the persons required to report those crimes complete the course not less than once each year; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 Certain persons, such as physicians, marriage and family therapists, social
2 workers and employees of facilities that provide care for older persons, who know
3 or have reasonable cause to believe that an older person has been abused, neglected,
4 exploited or isolated are required to report the abuse, neglect, exploitation or
5 isolation to: (1) the Aging Services Division of the Department of Health and
6 Human Services; or (2) a local law enforcement or protective services agency.
7 (NRS 200.5093) This bill requires the Unit for the Investigation and Prosecution of
8 Crimes Against Older Persons within the Office of the Attorney General to prepare,
9 make available on the Attorney General’s website and annually update an on-line
10 course for the training of the persons required to make such reports. The Unit is
11 also required to maintain a record of each person who completes the course and to
12 make that record available to various law enforcement and protective services
13 agencies and county prosecutors. A person who is required to report the abuse,



14 neglect, exploitation or isolation of an older person is required to complete the on-
15 line training course at least once a year.

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

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

3 **1. The Unit shall:**

4 **(a) Prepare an on-line course for the training of persons who**
5 **are required pursuant to NRS 200.5093 to report the abuse,**
6 **neglect, exploitation or isolation of older persons.**

7 **(b) Make the course available on the website maintained by the**
8 **Attorney General on the Internet or its successor, if any.**

9 **(c) Update the course not less than once each year.**

10 **(d) Maintain a record of each person who completes the**
11 **course and make that record available to:**

12 **(1) The Aging Services Division of the Department of**
13 **Health and Human Services;**

14 **(2) A police department or sheriff's office;**

15 **(3) A county office for protective services; and**

16 **(4) A district attorney.**

17 **2. The on-line course must include, without limitation,**
18 **training in the provisions of this section and the relevant**
19 **provisions of NRS 200.5091 to 200.50995, inclusive.**

20 **3. A person who is required pursuant to NRS 200.5093 to**
21 **report the abuse, neglect, exploitation or isolation of an older**
22 **person shall complete the on-line course not less than once each**
23 **year.**

24 **Sec. 2.** NRS 228.250 is hereby amended to read as follows:

25 228.250 As used in NRS 228.250 to 228.290, inclusive, **and**
26 **section 1 of this act**, unless the context otherwise requires, the
27 words and terms defined in NRS 228.255 and 228.260 have the
28 meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

29 **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2009.

