

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 423—COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(ON BEHALF OF THE ADVISORY COMMISSION  
ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE)

MARCH 25, 2013

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing reports of presentence investigations. (BDR 14-741)

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 criminal procedure; establishing certain time limitations regarding the disclosure of the factual content of reports of presentence investigations; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

Existing law requires the Division of Parole and Probation of the Department of Public Safety to disclose to the prosecuting attorney, the counsel for the defendant and the defendant the factual content of the report of any: (1) presentence investigation made by the Division and the recommendations of the Division; and (2) general investigation made by the Division. The Division is also required to give each party an opportunity to object to any factual errors in any such report and to comment on any recommendations. (NRS 176.156)

**Section 1** of this bill requires the Division to disclose the factual content of the report of any presentence investigation made by the Division and the recommendations of the Division to the prosecuting attorney, the counsel for the defendant, the defendant and the court not later than 7 working days before the defendant will be sentenced, unless the defendant waives this minimum period. **Sections 3.3, 3.7 and 5** of this bill provide that beginning on March 1, 2014, the minimum period designated pursuant to **section 1** becomes 14 working days before sentencing, and beginning on October 1, 2014, the minimum period becomes 21 working days before sentencing.



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

**Section 1.** Chapter 176 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

*Except as otherwise provided in this section, the Division shall disclose to the prosecuting attorney, the counsel for the defendant, the defendant and the court, not later than 7 working days before the defendant will be sentenced, the factual content of the report of any presentence investigation made pursuant to NRS 176.135 and the recommendations of the Division. The defendant may waive the minimum period required by this section.*

**Sec. 2.** NRS 176.133 is hereby amended to read as follows:

176.133 As used in NRS 176.133 to 176.161, inclusive, *and section 1 of this act*, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. "Person professionally qualified to conduct psychosexual evaluations" means a person who has received training in conducting psychosexual evaluations and is:

(a) A psychiatrist licensed to practice medicine in this State and certified by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, Inc.;

(b) A psychologist licensed to practice in this State;

(c) A social worker holding a master's degree in social work and licensed in this State as a clinical social worker;

(d) A registered nurse holding a master's degree in the field of psychiatric nursing and licensed to practice professional nursing in this State;

(e) A marriage and family therapist licensed in this State pursuant to chapter 641A of NRS; or

(f) A clinical professional counselor licensed in this State pursuant to chapter 641A of NRS.

2. "Psychosexual evaluation" means an evaluation conducted pursuant to NRS 176.139.

3. "Sexual offense" means:

(a) Sexual assault pursuant to NRS 200.366;

(b) Statutory sexual seduction pursuant to NRS 200.368, if punished as a felony;

(c) Battery with intent to commit sexual assault pursuant to NRS 200.400;

(d) Abuse of a child pursuant to NRS 200.508, if the abuse involved sexual abuse or sexual exploitation and is punished as a felony;

(e) An offense involving pornography and a minor pursuant to NRS 200.710 to 200.730, inclusive;

(f) Incest pursuant to NRS 201.180;



(g) Solicitation of a minor to engage in acts constituting the infamous crime against nature pursuant to NRS 201.195, if punished as a felony;

(h) Open or gross lewdness pursuant to NRS 201.210, if punished as a felony;

(i) Indecent or obscene exposure pursuant to NRS 201.220, if punished as a felony;

(j) Lewdness with a child pursuant to NRS 201.230;

(k) Sexual penetration of a dead human body pursuant to NRS 201.450;

(l) Luring a child or a person with mental illness pursuant to NRS 201.560, if punished as a felony;

(m) An attempt to commit an offense listed in paragraphs (a) to (l), inclusive, if punished as a felony; or

(n) An offense that is determined to be sexually motivated pursuant to NRS 175.547 or 207.193.

**Sec. 3.** NRS 176.156 is hereby amended to read as follows:

176.156 1. The Division shall disclose to the prosecuting attorney, the counsel for the defendant and the defendant the factual content of the report of:

(a) Any presentence investigation made pursuant to NRS 176.135 and the recommendations of the Division ~~H~~, *in the period provided in section 1 of this act.*

(b) Any general investigation made pursuant to NRS 176.151.

➔ The Division shall afford an opportunity to each party to object to factual errors in any such report and to comment on any recommendations.

2. Unless otherwise ordered by a court, upon request, the Division shall disclose the content of a report of a presentence investigation or general investigation to a law enforcement agency of this State or a political subdivision thereof and to a law enforcement agency of the Federal Government for the limited purpose of performing their duties, including, without limitation, conducting hearings that are public in nature.

3. Unless otherwise ordered by a court, upon request, the Division shall disclose the content of a report of a presentence investigation or general investigation to the Division of Mental Health and Developmental Services of the Department of Health and Human Services for the limited purpose of performing its duties, including, without limitation, evaluating and providing any report or information to the Division concerning the mental health of:

(a) A sex offender as defined in NRS 213.107; or

(b) An offender who has been determined to be mentally ill.



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4. Unless otherwise ordered by a court, upon request, the Division shall disclose the content of a report of a presentence investigation or general investigation to the State Gaming Control Board for the limited purpose of performing its duties in the administration of the provisions of chapters 462 to 467, inclusive, of NRS.

5. Except for the disclosures required by subsections 1 to 4, inclusive, a report of a presentence investigation or general investigation and the sources of information for such a report are confidential and must not be made a part of any public record.

**Sec. 3.3.** Section 1 of this act is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 176 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

Except as otherwise provided in this section, the Division shall disclose to the prosecuting attorney, the counsel for the defendant, the defendant and the court, not later than ~~14~~ 21 working days before the defendant will be sentenced, the factual content of the report of any presentence investigation made pursuant to NRS 176.135 and the recommendations of the Division. The defendant may waive the minimum period required by this section.

**Sec. 3.7.** Section 1 of this act is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 176 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

Except as otherwise provided in this section, the Division shall disclose to the prosecuting attorney, the counsel for the defendant, the defendant and the court, not later than ~~14~~ 21 working days before the defendant will be sentenced, the factual content of the report of any presentence investigation made pursuant to NRS 176.135 and the recommendations of the Division. The defendant may waive the minimum period required by this section.

**Sec. 4.** The amendatory provisions of this act apply to a report of any presentence investigation that is made on or after October 1, 2013.

**Sec. 5.** 1. This section and sections 1, 2, 3 and 4 of this act become effective on October 1, 2013.

2. Section 3.3 of this act becomes effective on March 1, 2014.

3. Section 3.7 of this act becomes effective on October 1, 2014.

