

**Amendment No. 292**

Assembly Amendment to Assembly Bill No. 294 (BDR 54-692)

**Proposed by:** Assembly Committee on Commerce and Labor

**Amends:** Summary: Yes Title: Yes Preamble: No Joint Sponsorship: No Digest: Yes

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EXPLANATION: Matter in (1) *blue bold italics* is new language in the original bill; (2) variations of green bold underlining is language proposed to be added in this amendment; (3) ~~red strikethrough~~ is deleted language in the original bill; (4) ~~purple double strikethrough~~ is language proposed to be deleted in this amendment; (5) orange double underlining is deleted language in the original bill proposed to be retained in this amendment.

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Date: 4/13/2015

A.B. No. 294—Enacts provisions relating to suicide prevention for veterans.

(BDR 54-692)



ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 294—ASSEMBLYMEN THOMPSON, ELLIOT ANDERSON, FLORES, BENITEZ-THOMPSON, SPRINKLE; ARAUJO, BUSTAMANTE ADAMS, CARRILLO, DIAZ, JOINER, MOORE, MUNFORD, NEAL, O’NEILL, SPIEGEL, SWANK AND WHEELER

MARCH 13, 2015

JOINT SPONSORS: SENATORS SPEARMAN, PARKS, FORD, ATKINSON, KIHUEN; DENIS, MANENDO AND WOODHOUSE

Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Enacts provisions relating to suicide prevention for veterans. (BDR ~~54-692~~ **37-692**)

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 public health; ~~requiring providers of health care to receive training relating to suicide assessment, screening and referral;~~ requiring the Department of Health and Human Services to report information concerning the suicide mortality rate of veterans to the Interagency Council on Veterans Affairs; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

~~Existing law requires certain health care professionals to receive training relating to the medical consequences of an act of terrorism that involves the use of a weapon of mass destruction. (NRS 450B.180, 620.252, 621.242, 622.242) Section 1 of this bill requires a provider of health care to receive training relating to suicide assessment, screening and referral and authorizes a provider of health care to use credit for completing such training in place of not more than 2 hours of the requirements for continuing education, not relating to ethics, of the provider of health care.~~

Existing law provides for the creation, powers and duties of the Department of Veterans Services and the Interagency Council on Veterans Affairs. (NRS 417.0191-417.105) **Section 2** of this bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to report to the Council certain information relating to the suicide mortality rate of veterans and requires the Council to report such information annually to the Legislature or, if the Legislature is not in session, to the Legislative Commission.

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

1       **Section 1.** ~~[Chapter 629 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new~~  
2 ~~section to read as follows:~~

3       ~~1. A provider of health care shall complete a course of instruction, within 2~~  
4 ~~years after initial licensure, relating to suicide assessment, screening and~~  
5 ~~referral. The course must provide at least 3 hours of instruction relating to~~  
6 ~~suicide assessment, screening and referral and be approved by the Division of~~  
7 ~~Public and Behavioral Health of the Department of Health and Human Services.~~

8       ~~2. Unless a specific statute or regulation requires or authorizes a greater~~  
9 ~~number of hours, a provider of health care who is required to complete~~  
10 ~~continuing education may use the completion of a course of instruction pursuant~~  
11 ~~to this section in place of not more than 3 hours of the continuing education that~~  
12 ~~the provider of health care is required to complete, other than any continuing~~  
13 ~~education relating to ethics that the provider of health care is required to~~  
14 ~~complete.~~

15       ~~3. The Division of Public and Behavioral Health of the Department of~~  
16 ~~Health and Human Services may adopt such regulations as it determines to be~~  
17 ~~necessary to carry out the provisions of this section.~~ (Deleted by amendment.)

18       **Sec. 2.** Chapter 417 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new  
19 section to read as follows:

20       1. The Department of Health and Human Services shall provide, subject to  
21 any limitations or restrictions contained in any state or federal law governing the  
22 privacy or confidentiality of records, a report from the State Registrar of Vital  
23 Statistics setting forth the suicide mortality rate of veterans in this State to the  
24 Interagency Council on Veterans Affairs. The Department of Health and Human  
25 Services shall submit such information to the Council not later than November  
26 30 of each year and shall provide the information in aggregate and in digital  
27 form, and in a manner such that the data is capable of integration by the  
28 Council.

29       2. The Council shall, upon receiving the information submitted pursuant to  
30 this section, analyze and compile the information, including any  
31 recommendations of the Council, and submit the information with the report  
32 submitted pursuant to subsection 3 of NRS 417.0195.

33       **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective ~~1~~.

34       ~~1. Upon passage and approval for the purposes of adopting regulations and~~  
35 ~~performing any other preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry~~  
36 ~~out the provisions of this act; and~~

37       ~~2. On on January 1, 2016, 1, for all other purposes.~~