

Amendment No. 123

Senate Amendment to Senate Bill No. 201	(BDR 54-301)
Proposed by: Senate Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy	
Amends: Summary: No Title: Yes Preamble: No Joint Sponsorship: No Digest: Yes	

ASSEMBLY ACTION		Initial and Date	SENATE ACTION		Initial and Date
Adopted	☐	Lost ☐	Adopted	☐	Lost ☐
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Receded	☐	Not ☐	Receded	☐	Not ☐

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: 4/3/2017

S.B. No. 201—Enacts provisions relating to conversion therapies. (BDR 54-301)



SENATE BILL NO. 201—SENATORS PARKS, RATTI, FORD, ATKINSON, SPEARMAN;
 CANCELA, CANNIZZARO, DENIS, FARLEY, MANENDO, SEGERBLOM AND
 WOODHOUSE

FEBRUARY 22, 2017

JOINT SPONSORS: ASSEMBLYMEN ARAUJO, CARRILLO, CARLTON, NEAL, COHEN;
 BROOKS, FLORES, KRASNER, OHRENSCHALL, SWANK, THOMPSON AND
 YEAGER

Referred to Committee on Commerce, Labor and Energy

SUMMARY—Enacts provisions relating to conversion therapies. (BDR 54-301)

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 ~~mental~~ health ***care*** professionals; prohibiting certain
~~practitioners~~ ***health care professionals*** from providing sexual
 orientation or gender identity conversion therapy to a minor; and
 providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law regulates ***homeopathic physicians, advanced practitioners of
 homeopathy, homeopathic assistants and*** certain mental health professionals including
 psychiatrists, psychologists, licensed marriage and family therapists, certain registered nurses
 and certain licensed clinical or independent social workers. (Chapters 630, ***630A***, 632, 633
 and 641-641B of NRS) This bill prohibits ***homeopathic physicians, advanced practitioners
 of homeopathy, homeopathic assistants and*** certain mental health professionals from
 providing sexual orientation or gender identity conversion therapy to a person who is under 18
 years of age.

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

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

***1. A psychotherapist shall not provide any ~~sexual orientation or gender
 identity~~ conversion therapy to a person who is under 18 years of age regardless
 of the willingness of the person or his or her parent or legal guardian to
 authorize such therapy.***

2. Any violation of subsection 1 is a ground for disciplinary action by a state board that licenses a psychotherapist as defined in subsection 3.

3. As used in this section:

(a) ~~“Gender identity conversion”~~ Conversion therapy means any ~~psychotherapy, counseling, hypnosis, practice or other treatment for therapy aimed at altering that seeks to change the gender-related identity of a person so that such sexual orientation or gender identity, appearance, expression or behavior of a person, regardless of the person’s assigned sex at birth, is eliminated, reduced or redirected to the person’s assigned sex at birth.~~ including, without limitation, a practice or treatment that seeks to change behaviors or gender expressions or to eliminate or reduce sexual or romantic attractions or feelings toward persons of the same gender. The term does not include counseling that:

(1) Provides assistance to a person undergoing gender transition; or

(2) Provides acceptance, support and understanding of a person or facilitates a person’s ability to cope, social support and identity exploration and development, including, without limitation, an intervention to prevent or address unlawful conduct or unsafe sexual practices that is neutral as to the sexual-orientation of the person receiving the intervention and does not seek to change the sexual orientation or gender identity of the person receiving the intervention.

(b) “Psychotherapist” means:

(1) A psychiatrist licensed to practice medicine in this State pursuant to chapter 630; ~~and certified by the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology, Inc.~~

(2) A homeopathic physician, advanced practitioner of homeopathy or homeopathic assistant licensed or certified pursuant to chapter 630A or NRS;

~~(3) A psychiatrist licensed to practice medicine in this State pursuant to chapter 633; and certified by the American Osteopathic Board of Neurology and Psychiatry of the American Osteopathic Association;~~

~~(3)~~ (4) A psychologist licensed to practice in this State pursuant to chapter 641 of NRS;

~~(4)~~ (5) A social worker ~~holding a master’s degree in social work and~~ licensed in this State as an independent social worker or a clinical social worker pursuant to chapter 641B of NRS;

~~(5)~~ (6) A registered nurse holding a master’s degree in the field of psychiatric nursing and licensed to practice professional nursing in this State pursuant to chapter 632 of NRS; ~~for~~

~~(6)~~ (7) A marriage and family therapist or clinical professional counselor licensed in this State pursuant to chapter 641A of NRS;

(c) ~~“Sexual orientation conversion therapy” means any psychotherapy, counseling, hypnosis or other treatment or therapy aimed at altering the sexual or romantic attraction, desire or conduct of a person toward persons of the same sex so that such sexual or romantic attraction, desire or conduct is eliminated, reduced or redirected toward persons of the opposite sex. The term does not include treatment aimed at altering the sexual or romantic attraction, desire or conduct of a person towards children or persons related by consanguinity; or~~

(8) A person who provides counseling services as part of his or her training for any of the professions listed in subparagraphs (1) to (7), inclusive.

Sec. 2. This act becomes effective:

1. Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative tasks necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and

2. On January 1, 2018, for all other purposes.