

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 143—ASSEMBLYWOMEN KRASNER;
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Referred to Committee on Government Affairs

SUMMARY—Establishes provisions concerning victims of human trafficking. (BDR 18-856)

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 human trafficking; requiring the Department of Health and Human Services to develop a statewide plan for the delivery of services to victims of human trafficking and to form a statewide task force to assist the Department; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

Existing law prohibits involuntary servitude, assuming ownership over a person, the purchase or sale of a person, trafficking in persons, pandering, sex trafficking and living from the earnings of a prostitute. (NRS 200.463-200.465, 200.467, 200.468, 201.300, 201.320) This bill defines victims of those crimes as “victims of human trafficking” and requires the Department of Health and Human Services to: (1) develop a statewide plan for the delivery of services to victims of human trafficking; and (2) form a statewide task force to assist the Department in carrying out its duties under this bill. This bill also requires the Director of the Department to periodically review the plan and its implementation for compliance with the established requirements.

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

Section 1. Chapter 232 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. The Department shall, in cooperation with the Attorney General and any other state agency, federal agency, public or



1 *private entity or other stakeholder the Department deems*
2 *appropriate:*

3 *(a) Develop a statewide plan for the delivery of services to*
4 *victims of human trafficking; and*

5 *(b) Form a statewide task force consisting of interested parties*
6 *and stakeholders to assist the Department in carrying out its duties*
7 *pursuant to this section.*

8 *2. The plan developed pursuant to paragraph (a) of*
9 *subsection 1 must provide for:*

10 *(a) The identification of victims of human trafficking;*

11 *(b) Assistance to victims of human trafficking with applying*
12 *for governmental benefits and services to which they may be*
13 *entitled;*

14 *(c) The coordination of providing medical, psychological,*
15 *housing, education, job training, child care, victims'*
16 *compensation, legal and other services to victims of human*
17 *trafficking;*

18 *(d) Developing strategies to increase awareness about human*
19 *trafficking and the services available to victims of human*
20 *trafficking among state and local agencies that provide social*
21 *services, public and private agencies that may provide services to*
22 *victims of human trafficking and the public;*

23 *(e) The establishment and maintenance of community-based*
24 *services for victims of human trafficking; and*

25 *(f) Assistance to victims of human trafficking with family*
26 *reunification or to return to their place of origin, if the victim so*
27 *desires.*

28 *3. The Director shall periodically review the statewide plan*
29 *developed pursuant to paragraph (a) of subsection 1 and its*
30 *implementation to determine whether the plan and its*
31 *implementation comply with the provisions of this section.*

32 *4. As used in this section, "victim of human trafficking"*
33 *means a person against whom a violation of any provision of NRS*
34 *200.463 to 200.465, inclusive, 200.467, 200.468, 201.300 or*
35 *201.320, or 18 U.S.C. §§ 1589, 1590 or 1591 has been committed.*

36 **Sec. 2.** NRS 232.290 is hereby amended to read as follows:

37 232.290 As used in NRS 232.290 to 232.4983, inclusive, *and*
38 *section 1 of this act*, unless the context requires otherwise:

39 1. "Department" means the Department of Health and Human
40 Services.

41 2. "Director" means the Director of the Department.

