

Assembly Bill No. 143–Assemblywomen Krasner; Bilbray-Axelrod,
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Joint Sponsors: Senators Spearman and Settlemeyer

CHAPTER.....

AN ACT relating to human trafficking; requiring the Administrator of the Division of Child and Family Services of the Department of Health and Human Services to perform certain duties relating to victims of human trafficking; 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) **Section 1** of this bill defines victims of those crimes as “victims of human trafficking” and requires the Administrator of the Division of Child and Family Services of the Department of Health and Human Services to: (1) designate a human trafficking specialist within the program for compensation for victims of crime; (2) ensure that a directory of services for victims of human trafficking is publicly accessible on the Internet; (3) develop a statewide plan for the delivery of services to victims of human trafficking; and (4) form the State of Nevada Human Trafficking Coalition to assist the designated human trafficking specialist in carrying out his or her duties and in maximizing resources for local human trafficking task forces. **Section 1** also requires the Administrator to periodically review the statewide plan and its implementation for compliance with the established requirements.

Section 3 of this bill makes a conforming change to indicate the placement of **section 1** within the Nevada Revised Statutes.

EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~[omitted material]~~ is material to be omitted.

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

Section 1. Chapter 217 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. The Administrator of the Division of Child and Family Services of the Department shall:

(a) Designate a human trafficking specialist who works for the program for compensation for victims of crime established pursuant to NRS 217.020 to 217.270, inclusive;

(b) Ensure that a directory of services for victims of human trafficking is publicly accessible on the Internet; and



(c) In cooperation with the Attorney General and any other state agency, federal agency, public or private entity or other stakeholder the Administrator deems appropriate:

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

(2) Form the State of Nevada Human Trafficking Coalition, a statewide coalition consisting of interested parties and stakeholders to assist the human trafficking specialist designated pursuant to paragraph (a) in:

(I) Carrying out his or her duties pursuant to this section; and

(II) Maximizing resources for local human trafficking task forces.

2. The plan developed pursuant to subparagraph (1) of paragraph (c) of subsection 1 may provide for:

(a) The identification of victims of human trafficking;

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

(c) Resources for victims of human trafficking, including, without limitation, medical, psychological, housing, education, job training, child care, victims' compensation, legal and other services;

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

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

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

3. The Administrator shall periodically review the statewide plan developed pursuant to subparagraph (1) of paragraph (c) of subsection 1 and its implementation to determine whether the plan and its implementation comply with the provisions of this section.

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

Sec. 2. (Deleted by amendment.)



Sec. 3. NRS 217.020 is hereby amended to read as follows:
217.020 As used in NRS 217.010 to 217.270, inclusive, *and section 1 of this act*, unless the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in NRS 217.025 to 217.070, inclusive, have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

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