

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 30—COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(ON BEHALF OF THE DIVISION OF CHILD AND
FAMILY SERVICES OF THE DEPARTMENT
OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES)

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Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to the Account for Aid
for Victims of Domestic Violence. (BDR 16-260)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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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 crimes; revising provisions governing
eligibility for a grant from the Account for Aid for
Victims of Domestic Violence; renaming the Account;
and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law creates the Account for Aid for Victims of Domestic Violence in the State General Fund, which is administered by the Administrator of the Division of Child and Family Services of the Department of Health and Human Services. (NRS 217.440) Under existing law, an eligible nonprofit organization is authorized to apply for a grant from the Account. (NRS 217.420, 217.440) **Section 1** of this bill changes one of the eligibility requirements for such a grant from the requirement that the nonprofit organization provide its services exclusively for victims of domestic violence to the requirement that it provide its services primarily for such victims. (NRS 217.420)

Existing law requires the allocation of 15 percent of all money granted from the Account to organizations in a county whose population is 700,000 or more (currently Clark County) to an organization in the county which has been specifically created to assist victims of sexual assault. (NRS 217.410) **Section 2** of this bill renames the Account as the Account for Aid for Victims of Domestic Violence or Sexual Assault to reflect this additional authorized use of money in the Account for victims of sexual assault.



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

Section 1. NRS 217.420 is hereby amended to read as follows:

217.420 ~~[(to)]~~ *Except as otherwise provided in NRS 217.410,*
to be eligible for a grant from the Account for Aid for Victims of
Domestic Violence ~~[(or)]~~ *or Sexual Assault*, an applicant must:

1. Be a nonprofit corporation, incorporated or qualified in this
state.

2. Be governed by a board of trustees which reflects the racial,
ethnic, economic and social composition of the county to be served
and includes at least one trustee who has been a victim of domestic
violence.

3. Receive at least 15 percent of its money from sources other
than the Federal Government, the State, any local government or
other public body or their instrumentalities. Any goods or services
which are contributed to the organization may be assigned their
reasonable monetary value for the purpose of complying with the
requirement of this subsection.

4. Provide its services ~~[(exclusively)]~~ *primarily* for victims of
domestic violence and only within this state.

5. Require its employees and volunteer assistants to maintain
the confidentiality of any information which would identify persons
receiving the services.

6. Provide its services without any discrimination on the basis
of race, religion, color, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity
or expression, marital status, national origin or ancestry.

7. Be able to provide:

(a) Except in counties whose population is less than 100,000,
shelter to victims on any day, at any hour.

(b) A telephone service capable of receiving emergency calls on
any day, at any hour.

(c) Except in counties whose population is less than 100,000,
facilities where food can be stored and prepared.

(d) Counseling, or make referrals for counseling, for victims or
spouses of victims and their children.

(e) Assistance to victims in obtaining legal, medical,
psychological or vocational help.

(f) Education and training for members of the community on
matters which relate to domestic violence.

Sec. 2. NRS 217.440 is hereby amended to read as follows:

217.440 1. An Account for Aid for Victims of Domestic
Violence *or Sexual Assault* is hereby created in the State General
Fund. The Account must be administered by the Administrator of
the Division.



2. Any nonprofit organization in the State which is able to meet the requirements specified in ~~subsection 7 of~~ NRS 217.420 may apply for a grant from the Account for Aid for Victims of Domestic Violence ~~or~~ *Sexual Assault*.

3. An application for a grant must be received by the Division before April 1 preceding the fiscal year for which the grant is sought.

Sec. 3. 1. Any administrative regulations adopted by an officer or an agency whose name has been changed or whose responsibilities have been transferred pursuant to the provisions of this act to another officer or agency remain in force until amended by the officer or agency to which the responsibility for the adoption of the regulations has been transferred.

2. Any contracts or other agreements entered into by an officer or agency whose name has been changed or whose responsibilities have been transferred pursuant to the provisions of this act to another officer or agency are binding upon the officer or agency to which the responsibility for the administration of the provisions of the contract or other agreement has been transferred. Such contracts and other agreements may be enforced by the officer or agency to which the responsibility for the enforcement of the provisions of the contract or other agreement has been transferred.

3. Any action taken by an officer or agency whose name has been changed or whose responsibilities have been transferred pursuant to the provisions of this act to another officer or agency remains in effect as if taken by the officer or agency to which the responsibility for the enforcement of such actions has been transferred.

Sec. 4. The Legislative Counsel shall:

1. In preparing the reprint and supplements to the Nevada Revised Statutes, appropriately change any references to an officer, agency or other entity whose name is changed or whose responsibilities are transferred pursuant to the provisions of this act to refer to the appropriate officer, agency or other entity.

2. In preparing supplements to the Nevada Administrative Code, appropriately change any references to an officer, agency or other entity whose name is changed or whose responsibilities are transferred pursuant to the provisions of this act to refer to the appropriate officer, agency or other entity.

Sec. 5. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2021.

