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E AND R AMENDMENTS TO LB 670

Introduced by Wishart, 27, Chairman Enrollment and Review

- 1. Strike the original sections and all amendments thereto and 1
- insert the following new sections: 2
- 3 Section 1. Section 43-246.02, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2017, is
- amended to read: 4
- 5 43-246.02 (1) A juvenile court may terminate its jurisdiction under
- subdivision (3)(a) of section 43-247 by transferring jurisdiction over 6
- 7 the juvenile's custody, physical care, and visitation to the district
- court through a bridge order, if all of the following criteria are met: 8
- (a) The juvenile has been adjudicated under subdivision (3)(a) of 9
- section 43-247 in an active juvenile court case and a dispositional order 10
- in that case is in place; 11
- (b) Paternity of the juvenile has been legally established, 12
- including by operation of law due to an individual's marriage to the 13
- mother at the time of conception, birth, or at any time during the period 14
- between conception and birth of the child; by operation of law pursuant 15
- to section 43-1409; by order of a court of competent jurisdiction; or by 16
- administrative order when authorized by law; 17
- (c) The juvenile has been safely placed by the juvenile court with a 18
- legal parent; and 19
- 20 (d) The juvenile court has determined that its jurisdiction under
- subdivision (3)(a) of section 43-247 should properly end once orders for 21
- custody, physical care, and visitation are entered by the district court. 22
- (2) When the criteria in subsection (1) of this section are met, a 23
- legal parent or quardian ad litem to a juvenile adjudicated under 24
- subdivision (3)(a) of section 43-247 in juvenile court may file a motion 25
- with the juvenile court for a bridge order under subsection (3) of this 26
- 27 section. The parent is not required to intervene in the action. The

- motion shall be set for evidentiary hearing by the juvenile court no less 1
- 2 than thirty days or more than ninety days from the date of the filing of
- 3 the motion. The juvenile court, on its own motion, may also set an
- evidentiary hearing on the issue of a bridge order if such hearing is set 4
- 5 no less than thirty days from the date of notice to the parties. The
- 6 court may waive the evidentiary hearing if all issues raised in the
- 7 motion for a bridge order are resolved by agreement of all parties and
- 8 entry of a stipulated order.
- 9 (3) A motion for a bridge order shall:
- (a) Allege that the juvenile court action filed under subdivision 10
- 11 (3)(a) of section 43-247 may safely be closed once orders for custody,
- 12 physical care, and visitation have been entered by the district court;
- (b) State the relief sought by the petitioning legal parent or 13
- 14 quardian ad litem;
- 15 (c) Disclose any other action or proceedings affecting custody of
- juvenile, including proceedings related to domestic violence, 16
- 17 protection orders, terminations of parental rights, and adoptions,
- including the docket number, court, county, and state of any such 18
- proceeding; 19
- 20 (d) State the names and addresses of any persons other than the
- 21 legal parents who have a court order for physical custody or claim to
- 22 have custody or visitation rights with the juvenile; and
- 23 (e) Name as a respondent any other person who has any relation to
- 24 the controversy.
- (4) A juvenile court shall designate the petitioner and respondent 25
- 26 for purposes of a bridge order. A bridge order shall only address matters
- 27 of legal and physical custody and parenting time. All other matters,
- including child support, shall be resolved by filing a separate petition 28
- 29 or motion or by action of the child support enforcement office and shall
- 30 be subject to existing applicable statutory provisions. No mediation or
- specialized alternative dispute resolution under section 42-364 shall be 31

- required in either district court or juvenile court where the juvenile 1
- 2 has entered a bridge order. The Parenting Act shall not apply to the
- 3 entry of the bridge order in juvenile or district court.
- (5) When necessary and feasible, the juvenile court shall obtain 4
- 5 child custody determinations from foreign jurisdictions pursuant to the
- 6 <u>Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act.</u>
- 7 (6) (5) Upon transferring jurisdiction from a juvenile court to a
- 8 district court, the clerk of the district court shall docket the case
- 9 under either a new docket or any previous docket establishing custody or
- paternity of a child. The transfer of jurisdiction shall not result in 10
- 11 new filing fees and other court costs being assessed against the parties.
- 12 (7) (6) The district court shall give full force and effect to the
- juvenile court bridge order as to custody and parenting time and shall 13
- 14 modify the juvenile court bridge order without modification
- 15 proceedings as provided in subsection (9) (8) of this section.
- (8) (7) A district court shall take judicial notice of the juvenile 16
- 17 court pleadings and orders in any hearing held subsequent to transfer.
- Records contained in the district court case file that were copied or 18
- transferred from the juvenile court file concerning the case shall be 19
- 20 subject to section 43-2,108 and other confidentiality provisions of the
- 21 Nebraska Juvenile Code, and such records shall only be disclosed, upon
- 22 request, to the child support enforcement office without a court order.
- 23 (9) (8) Following the issuance of a bridge order, a party may file a
- 24 petition in district court for modification of the bridge order as to
- legal and physical custody or parenting time. If the petition for 25
- 26 modification is filed within one year after the filing date of the bridge
- 27 order, the party requesting modification shall not be required to
- demonstrate a substantial change of circumstance but instead shall 28
- 29 demonstrate that such modification is in the best interests of the child.
- 30 If a petition for modification is filed within one year after the filing
- date of the bridge order, filing fees and other court costs shall not be 31

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- 1 assessed against the parties.
- 2 (10) (9) Nothing in this section shall be construed to require
- 3 appointment of counsel for the parties in the district court action.
- (11) Nothing in this section shall be construed to interfere with 4
- 5 the jurisdictional provisions of section 25-2740.
- 6 Sec. 2. Section 43-248, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 7 amended to read:
- 43-248 A peace officer may take a juvenile into temporary custody 8
- 9 without a warrant or order of the court and proceed as provided in
- section 43-250 when: 10
- 11 (1) A (1)(a) Until July 1, 2017, a juvenile has violated a state law
- 12 or municipal ordinance and the officer has reasonable grounds to believe
- 13 such juvenile committed such violation or (b) beginning July 1, 2017, a
- 14 juvenile has violated a state law or municipal ordinance and such
- 15 juvenile was eleven years of age or older at the time of the violation,
- and the officer has reasonable grounds to believe such juvenile committed 16
- 17 such violation and was eleven years of age or older at the time of the
- violation; 18
- (2) A juvenile is seriously endangered in his or her surroundings 19
- 20 and immediate removal appears to be necessary for the juvenile's
- 21 protection;
- 22 (3) The officer believes the juvenile to be mentally ill and
- 23 dangerous as defined in section 71-908 and that the harm described in
- 24 that section is likely to occur before proceedings may be instituted
- before the juvenile court; 25
- 26 (4) The officer has reasonable grounds to believe that the juvenile
- 27 has run away from his or her parent, guardian, or custodian;
- (5) A probation officer has reasonable cause to believe that a 28
- 29 juvenile is in violation of probation and that the juvenile will attempt
- 30 to leave the jurisdiction or place lives or property in danger;
- (6) The officer has reasonable grounds to believe the juvenile is 31

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- 1 truant from school;
- 2 (7) The officer has reasonable grounds to believe the juvenile is
- 3 immune from prosecution for prostitution under subsection (5) of section
- 28-801; or 4
- 5 (8) A Beginning July 1, 2017, the juvenile has committed an act or
- 6 engaged in behavior described in subdivision (1), (2), (3)(b), or (4) of
- 7 section 43-247 and such juvenile was under eleven years of age at the
- 8 time of such act or behavior, and the officer has reasonable cause to
- 9 believe such juvenile committed such act or engaged in such behavior and
- was under eleven years of age at such time. 10
- 11 Sec. 3. Section 43-250, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 12 amended to read:
- 43-250 (1) A peace officer who takes a juvenile into temporary 13
- 14 custody under section 29-401 or subdivision (1), (4), or (5), or (8) of
- 15 section 43-248 shall immediately take reasonable measures to notify the
- juvenile's parent, guardian, custodian, or relative and shall proceed as 16
- follows: 17
- (a) The peace officer may release a juvenile taken into temporary 18
- custody under section 29-401 or subdivision (1), or (4), or (8) of 19
- 20 section 43-248;
- 21 (b) The peace officer may require a juvenile taken into temporary
- 22 custody under section 29-401 or subdivision (1) or (4) of section 43-248
- 23 to appear before the court of the county in which such juvenile was taken
- 24 into custody at a time and place specified in the written notice prepared
- in triplicate by the peace officer or at the call of the court. The 25
- 26 notice shall also contain a concise statement of the reasons such
- 27 juvenile was taken into custody. The peace officer shall deliver one copy
- of the notice to such juvenile and require such juvenile or his or her 28
- 29 parent, guardian, other custodian, or relative, or both, to sign a
- 30 written promise that such signer will appear at the time and place
- designated in the notice. Upon the execution of the promise to appear, 31

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- 1 the peace officer shall immediately release such juvenile. The peace
- 2 officer shall, as soon as practicable, file one copy of the notice with
- 3 the county attorney or city attorney and, when required by the court,
- 4 also file a copy of the notice with the court or the officer appointed by
- 5 the court for such purpose; or
- 6 (c) The peace officer may retain temporary custody of a juvenile
- 7 taken into temporary custody under section 29-401 or subdivision (1),
- 8 (4), or (5) of section 43-248 and deliver the juvenile, if necessary, to
- 9 the probation officer and communicate all relevant available information
- 10 regarding such juvenile to the probation officer. The probation officer
- 11 shall determine the need for detention of the juvenile as provided in
- 12 section 43-260.01. Upon determining that the juvenile should be placed in
- 13 detention or an alternative to detention and securing placement in such
- 14 setting by the probation officer, the peace officer shall implement the
- 15 probation officer's decision to release or to detain and place the
- 16 juvenile. When secure detention of a juvenile is necessary, such
- 17 detention shall occur within a juvenile detention facility except:
- 18 (i) When a juvenile described in subdivision (1) or (2) of section
- 19 43-247, except for a status offender, is taken into temporary custody
- 20 within a metropolitan statistical area and where no juvenile detention
- 21 facility is reasonably available, the juvenile may be delivered, for
- 22 temporary custody not to exceed six hours, to a secure area of a jail or
- 23 other facility intended or used for the detention of adults solely for
- 24 the purposes of identifying the juvenile and ascertaining his or her
- 25 health and well-being and for safekeeping while awaiting transport to an
- 26 appropriate juvenile placement or release to a responsible party;
- 27 (ii) When a juvenile described in subdivision (1) or (2) of section
- 28 43-247, except for a status offender, is taken into temporary custody
- 29 outside of a metropolitan statistical area and where no juvenile
- 30 detention facility is reasonably available, the juvenile may be
- 31 delivered, for temporary custody not to exceed twenty-four hours

1 excluding nonjudicial days and while awaiting an initial court

- 2 appearance, to a secure area of a jail or other facility intended or used
- 3 for the detention of adults solely for the purposes of identifying the
- 4 juvenile and ascertaining his or her health and well-being and for
- 5 safekeeping while awaiting transport to an appropriate juvenile placement
- 6 or release to a responsible party;
- 7 (iii) Whenever a juvenile is held in a secure area of any jail or
- 8 other facility intended or used for the detention of adults, there shall
- 9 be no verbal, visual, or physical contact between the juvenile and any
- 10 incarcerated adult and there shall be adequate staff to supervise and
- 11 monitor the juvenile's activities at all times. This subdivision shall
- 12 not apply to a juvenile charged with a felony as an adult in county or
- 13 district court if he or she is sixteen years of age or older;
- 14 (iv) If a juvenile is under sixteen years of age or is a juvenile as
- described in subdivision (3) of section 43-247, he or she shall not be
- 16 placed within a secure area of a jail or other facility intended or used
- 17 for the detention of adults;
- 18 (v) If, within the time limits specified in subdivision (1)(c)(i) or
- 19 (1)(c)(ii) of this section, a felony charge is filed against the juvenile
- 20 as an adult in county or district court, he or she may be securely held
- 21 in a jail or other facility intended or used for the detention of adults
- 22 beyond the specified time limits;
- 23 (vi) A status offender or nonoffender taken into temporary custody
- 24 shall not be held in a secure area of a jail or other facility intended
- 25 or used for the detention of adults. Until January 1, 2013, a status
- 26 offender accused of violating a valid court order may be securely
- 27 detained in a juvenile detention facility longer than twenty-four hours
- 28 if he or she is afforded a detention hearing before a court within
- 29 twenty-four hours, excluding nonjudicial days, and if, prior to a
- 30 dispositional commitment to secure placement, a public agency, other than
- 31 a court or law enforcement agency, is afforded an opportunity to review

1 the juvenile's behavior and possible alternatives to secure placement and

- 2 has submitted a written report to the court; and
- 3 (vii) A juvenile described in subdivision (1) or (2) of section
- 4 43-247, except for a status offender, may be held in a secure area of a
- 5 jail or other facility intended or used for the detention of adults for
- 6 up to six hours before and six hours after any court appearance.
- 7 (2) When a juvenile is taken into temporary custody pursuant to subdivision (2), (7), or (8) of section 43-248, and not released under 8 9 subdivision (1)(a) of this section, the peace officer shall deliver the custody of such juvenile to the Department of Health and Human Services 10 11 which shall make a temporary placement of the juvenile in the least 12 restrictive environment consistent with the best interests of the juvenile as determined by the department. The department shall supervise 13 14 such placement and, if necessary, consent to any necessary emergency 15 medical, psychological, or psychiatric treatment for such juvenile. The department shall have no other authority with regard to such temporary 16 17 custody until or unless there is an order by the court placing the juvenile in the custody of the department. If the peace officer delivers 18 temporary custody of the juvenile pursuant to this subsection, the peace 19 20 officer shall make a full written report to the county attorney within 21 twenty-four hours of taking such juvenile into temporary custody. If a 22 court order of temporary custody is not issued within forty-eight hours 23 of taking the juvenile into custody, the temporary custody by the 24 department shall terminate and the juvenile shall be returned to the custody of his or her parent, guardian, custodian, or relative. 25
- 26 (3) If the peace officer takes the juvenile into temporary custody
 27 pursuant to subdivision (3) of section 43-248, the peace officer may
 28 place the juvenile at a mental health facility for evaluation and
 29 emergency treatment or may deliver the juvenile to the Department of
 30 Health and Human Services as provided in subsection (2) of this section.
- 31 At the time of the admission or turning the juvenile over to the

- 1 department, the peace officer responsible for taking the juvenile into
- 2 custody pursuant to subdivision (3) of section 43-248 shall execute a
- 3 written certificate as prescribed by the Department of Health and Human
- 4 Services which will indicate that the peace officer believes the juvenile
- 5 to be mentally ill and dangerous, a summary of the subject's behavior
- 6 supporting such allegations, and that the harm described in section
- 7 71-908 is likely to occur before proceedings before a juvenile court may
- 8 be invoked to obtain custody of the juvenile. A copy of the certificate
- 9 shall be forwarded to the county attorney. The peace officer shall notify
- 10 the juvenile's parents, guardian, custodian, or relative of the
- 11 juvenile's placement.
- 12 (4) When a juvenile is taken into temporary custody pursuant to
- 13 subdivision (6) of section 43-248, the peace officer shall deliver the
- 14 juvenile to the enrolled school of such juvenile.
- 15 (5) A juvenile taken into custody pursuant to a legal warrant of
- 16 arrest shall be delivered to a probation officer who shall determine the
- 17 need for detention of the juvenile as provided in section 43-260.01. If
- 18 detention is not required, the juvenile may be released without bond if
- 19 such release is in the best interests of the juvenile, the safety of the
- 20 community is not at risk, and the court that issued the warrant is
- 21 notified that the juvenile had been taken into custody and was released.
- 22 (6) In determining the appropriate temporary placement or
- 23 alternative to detention of a juvenile under this section, the peace
- 24 officer shall select the placement or alternative which is least
- 25 restrictive of the juvenile's freedom so long as such placement or
- 26 alternative is compatible with the best interests of the juvenile and the
- 27 safety of the community. Any alternative to detention shall cause the
- 28 least restriction of the juvenile's freedom of movement consistent with
- 29 the best interest of the juvenile and the safety of the community.
- 30 Sec. 4. Section 43-251.02, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 31 amended to read:

- 1 43-251.02 A peace officer, upon making contact with a child who has
- 2 not committed a criminal offense but who appears to be a juvenile as
- 3 described in subdivision (3)(b) of section 43-247 and who is in need of
- assistance, may refer the child and child's parent or parents or guardian 4
- 5 to a clinically credentialed community-based provider for immediate
- 6 crisis intervention, de-escalation, and respite care services.
- 7 Sec. 5. Section 43-286, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2017, is
- amended to read: 8
- 9 43-286 (1) When any juvenile is adjudicated to be a juvenile
- described in subdivision (1), (2), or (4) of section 43-247: 10
- 11 (a)(i) This subdivision applies until October 1, 2013. The court may
- 12 continue the dispositional portion of the hearing, from time to time upon
- such terms and conditions as the court may prescribe, including an order 13
- 14 of restitution of any property stolen or damaged or an order requiring
- 15 the juvenile to participate in community service programs, if such order
- is in the interest of the juvenile's reformation or rehabilitation, and, 16
- subject to the further order of the court, may: 17
- (A) Place the juvenile on probation subject to the supervision of a 18
- probation officer; 19
- 20 (B) Permit the juvenile to remain in his or her own home or be
- 21 placed in a suitable family home, subject to the supervision of the
- 22 probation officer; or
- 23 (C) Cause the juvenile to be placed in a suitable family home or
- 24 institution, subject to the supervision of the probation officer. If the
- court has committed the juvenile to the care and custody of the 25
- 26 Department of Health and Human Services, the department shall pay the
- 27 costs of the suitable family home or institution which are not otherwise
- paid by the juvenile's parents. 28
- 29 Under subdivision (1)(a)(i) of this section, upon a determination by
- 30 the court that there are no parental, private, or other public funds
- available for the care, custody, and maintenance of a juvenile, the court 31

- may order a reasonable sum for the care, custody, and maintenance of the 1
- 2 juvenile to be paid out of a fund which shall be appropriated annually by
- 3 the county where the petition is filed until a suitable provision may be
- made for the juvenile without such payment. 4
- 5 (ii) This subdivision applies beginning October 1, 2013. The court
- 6 may continue the dispositional portion of the hearing, from time to time
- 7 upon such terms and conditions as the court may prescribe, including an
- 8 order of restitution of any property stolen or damaged or an order
- 9 requiring the juvenile to participate in community service programs, if
- such order is in the interest of the juvenile's reformation or 10
- 11 rehabilitation, and, subject to the further order of the court, may:
- 12 (A) Place the juvenile on probation subject to the supervision of a
- probation officer; or 13
- 14 (B) Permit the juvenile to remain in his or her own home or be
- 15 placed in a suitable family home or institution, subject to the
- supervision of the probation officer; 16
- (b)(i) This subdivision applies to all juveniles committed to the 17
- Office of Juvenile Services prior to July 1, 2013. The court may commit 18
- such juvenile to the Office of Juvenile Services, but a juvenile under 19
- the age of fourteen years shall not be placed at the Youth Rehabilitation 20
- 21 and Treatment Center-Geneva or the Youth Rehabilitation and Treatment
- 22 Center-Kearney unless he or she has violated the terms of probation or
- 23 has committed an additional offense and the court finds that the
- 24 interests of the juvenile and the welfare of the community demand his or
- her commitment. This minimum age provision shall not apply if the act in 25
- 26 question is murder or manslaughter.
- 27 (ii) This subdivision applies to all juveniles committed to the
- Office of Juvenile Services for placement at a youth rehabilitation and 28
- 29 treatment center on or after July 1, 2013.
- 30 When it is alleged that the juvenile has exhausted all levels of
- probation supervision and options for community-based services and 31

- section 43-251.01 has been satisfied, a motion for commitment to a youth 1
- 2 rehabilitation and treatment center may be filed and proceedings held as
- 3 follows:
- (A) The motion shall set forth specific factual allegations that 4
- 5 support the motion and a copy of such motion shall be served on all
- 6 persons required to be served by sections 43-262 to 43-267; and
- 7 (B) The juvenile shall be entitled to a hearing before the court to
- determine the validity of the allegations. At such hearing the burden is 8
- 9 upon the state by a preponderance of the evidence to show that:
- (I) All levels of probation supervision have been exhausted; 10
- 11 (II) All options for community-based services have been exhausted;
- 12 and
- (III) Placement at a youth rehabilitation and treatment center is a 13
- 14 matter of immediate and urgent necessity for the protection of the
- 15 juvenile or the person or property of another or if it appears that such
- juvenile is likely to flee the jurisdiction of the court. 16
- 17 After the hearing, the court may commit such juvenile to the Office
- Juvenile Services for placement at a youth rehabilitation and 18
- treatment center as a condition of an order of intensive supervised 19
- 20 probation. Upon commitment by the court to the Office of Juvenile
- 21 Services, the court shall immediately notify the Office of Juvenile
- 22 Services of the commitment. Intensive supervised probation for purposes
- 23 of this subdivision means that the Office of Juvenile Services shall be
- 24 responsible for the care and custody of the juvenile until the Office of
- Juvenile Services discharges the juvenile from commitment to the Office 25
- 26 of Juvenile Services. Upon discharge of the juvenile, the court shall
- 27 hold a review hearing on the conditions of probation and enter any order
- allowed under subdivision (1)(a) of this section. 28
- 29 The Office of Juvenile Services shall notify those required to be
- 30 served by sections 43-262 to 43-267, all interested parties, and the
- committing court of the pending discharge of a juvenile from the youth 31

rehabilitation and treatment center sixty days prior to discharge and 1 2 again in every case not less than thirty days prior to discharge. Upon 3 notice of pending discharge by the Office of Juvenile Services, the court shall set a continued disposition hearing in anticipation of reentry. The 4 5 Office of Juvenile Services shall work in collaboration with the Office 6 of Probation Administration in developing an individualized reentry plan 7 for the juvenile as provided in section 43-425. The Office of Juvenile 8 Services shall provide a copy of the individualized reentry plan to the 9 juvenile, the juvenile's attorney, and the county attorney or city attorney prior to the continued disposition hearing. At the continued 10 11 disposition hearing, the court shall review and approve or modify the 12 individualized reentry plan, place the juvenile under probation supervision, and enter any other order allowed by law. No hearing is 13 14 required if all interested parties stipulate to the individualized 15 reentry plan by signed motion. In such a case, the court shall approve the conditions of probation, approve the individualized reentry plan, and 16 17 place the juvenile under probation supervision.

The Office of Juvenile Services is responsible for transportation of the juvenile to and from the youth rehabilitation and treatment center. The Office of Juvenile Services may contract for such services. A plan for a juvenile's transport to return to the community shall be a part of the individualized reentry plan. The Office of Juvenile Services may approve family to provide such transport when specified in the individualized reentry plan; or

- (c) Beginning July 1, 2013, and until October 1, 2013, the court may commit such juvenile to the Office of Juvenile Services for community supervision.
- (2) When any juvenile is found by the court to be a juvenile described in subdivision (3)(b) of section 43-247, the court may enter such order as it is empowered to enter under subdivision (1)(a) of this section or until October 1, 2013, enter an order committing or placing

the juvenile to the care and custody of the Department of Health and 1

- Human Services. 2
- 3 (3) When any juvenile is adjudicated to be a juvenile described in subdivision (1), (2), (3)(b), or (4) of section 43-247 because of a 4
- 5 nonviolent act or acts and the juvenile has not previously been
- 6 adjudicated to be such a juvenile because of a violent act or acts, the
- 7 court may, with the agreement of the victim, order the juvenile to attend
- 8 juvenile offender and victim mediation with a mediator or at an approved
- 9 center selected from the roster made available pursuant to section
- 25-2908. 10
- 11 (4) When a juvenile is placed on probation and a probation officer
- 12 has reasonable cause to believe that such juvenile has committed a
- violation of a condition of his or her probation, the probation officer 13
- 14 shall take appropriate measures as provided in section 43-286.01.
- 15 (5)(a) When a juvenile is placed on probation or under the
- supervision of the court and it is alleged that the juvenile is again a 16
- 17 juvenile described in subdivision (1), (2), (3)(b), or (4) of section
- 18 43-247, a petition may be filed and the same procedure followed and
- rights given at a hearing on the original petition. If an adjudication is 19
- made that the allegations of the petition are true, the court may make 20
- 21 any disposition authorized by this section for such adjudications and the
- 22 county attorney may file a motion to revoke the juvenile's probation.
- 23 (b) When a juvenile is placed on probation or under the supervision
- 24 of the court for conduct under subdivision (1), (2), (3)(b), or (4) of
- section 43-247 and it is alleged that the juvenile has violated a term of 25
- 26 probation or supervision or that the juvenile has violated an order of
- 27 the court, a motion to revoke probation or supervision or to change the
- disposition may be filed and proceedings held as follows: 28
- 29 (i) The motion shall set forth specific factual allegations of the
- 30 alleged violations and a copy of such motion shall be served on all
- persons required to be served by sections 43-262 to 43-267; 31

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(ii) The juvenile shall be entitled to a hearing before the court to 1 2 determine the validity of the allegations. At such hearing the juvenile 3 shall be entitled to those rights relating to counsel provided by section 43-272 and those rights relating to detention provided by sections 43-254 4 5 to 43-256. The juvenile shall also be entitled to speak and present 6 documents, witnesses, or other evidence on his or her own behalf. He or 7 she may confront persons who have given adverse information concerning the alleged violations, may cross-examine such persons, and may show that 8 9 he or she did not violate the conditions of his or her probation or supervision or an order of the court or, if he or she did, that 10 11 mitigating circumstances suggest that the violation does not warrant 12 revocation of probation or supervision or a change of disposition. The hearing shall be held within a reasonable time after the juvenile is 13 14 taken into custody;

(iii) The hearing shall be conducted in an informal manner and shall
be flexible enough to consider evidence, including letters, affidavits,
and other material, that would not be admissible in an adversarial
criminal trial;

(iv) The juvenile shall not be confined, detained, or otherwise significantly deprived of his or her liberty pursuant to the filing of a motion described in this section unless the requirements of subdivision (5) of section 43-251.01 and section 43-260.01 have been met. In all cases when the requirements of subdivision (5) of section 43-251.01 and section 43-260.01 have been met and the juvenile is confined, detained, or otherwise significantly deprived of his or her liberty as a result of his or her alleged violation of probation, supervision, or a court order, the juvenile shall be given a preliminary hearing. Such preliminary hearing shall be held before an impartial person other than his or her probation officer or any person directly involved with the case. If, as a result of such preliminary hearing, probable cause is found to exist, the juvenile shall be entitled to a hearing before the court in accordance

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- 1 with this subsection;
- 2 (v) If the juvenile is found by the court to have violated the terms
- 3 of his or her probation or supervision or an order of the court, the
- court may modify the terms and conditions of the probation, supervision, 4
- 5 or other court order, extend the period of probation, supervision, or
- other court order, or enter any order of disposition that could have been 6
- 7 made at the time the original order was entered; and
- 8 (vi) In cases when the court revokes probation, supervision, or
- 9 other court order, it shall enter a written statement as to the evidence
- relied on and the reasons for revocation. 10
- 11 (6) Costs incurred on behalf of a juvenile under this section shall
- 12 be paid as provided in section 43-290.01.
- (7) When any juvenile is adjudicated to be a juvenile described in 13
- 14 subdivision (4) of section 43-247, the juvenile court shall within thirty
- 15 days of adjudication transmit to the Director of Motor Vehicles an
- abstract of the court record of adjudication. 16
- 17 Sec. 6. Section 43-1238, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- amended to read: 18
- 43-1238 (a) Except as otherwise provided in section 43-1241, a court 19
- this state has jurisdiction to make an initial child custody 20
- 21 determination only if:
- 22 (1) this state is the home state of the child on the date of the
- 23 commencement of the proceeding or was the home state of the child within
- 24 six months before the commencement of the proceeding and the child is
- absent from this state but a parent or person acting as a parent 25
- 26 continues to live in this state;
- 27 (2) a court of another state does not have jurisdiction under
- subdivision (a)(1) of this section, or a court of the home state of the 28
- 29 child has declined to exercise jurisdiction on the ground that this state
- 30 is the more appropriate forum under section 43-1244 or 43-1245, and:
- (A) the child and the child's parents, or the child and at least one 31

- 1 parent or a person acting as a parent, have a significant connection with
- 2 this state other than mere physical presence; and
- 3 (B) substantial evidence is available in this state concerning the
- child's care, protection, training, and personal relationships; 4
- 5 (3) all courts having jurisdiction under subdivision (a)(1) or (a)
- 6 (2) of this section have declined to exercise jurisdiction on the ground
- 7 that a court of this state is the more appropriate forum to determine the
- 8 custody of the child under section 43-1244 or 43-1245; or
- 9 (4) no court of any other state would have jurisdiction under the
- criteria specified in subdivision (a)(1), (a)(2), or (a)(3) of this 10
- 11 section.
- (b) Subsection (a) of this section is the exclusive jurisdictional 12
- basis for making a child custody determination by a court of this state. 13
- 14 In addition to having jurisdiction to make judicial determinations about
- 15 the custody and care of the child, a court of this state with exclusive
- jurisdiction under subsection (a) of this section has jurisdiction and 16
- authority to make factual findings regarding (1) the abuse, abandonment, 17
- or neglect of the child, (2) the nonviability of reunification with at 18
- 19 least one of the child's parents due to such abuse, abandonment, neglect,
- 20 or a similar basis under state law, and (3) whether it would be in the
- 21 best interests of such child to be removed from the United States to a
- 22 foreign country, including the child's country of origin or last habitual
- 23 residence. If there is sufficient evidence to support such factual
- 24 findings, the court shall issue an order containing such findings when
- requested by one of the parties or upon the court's own motion. 25
- (c) Physical presence of, or personal jurisdiction over, a party or 26
- 27 a child is not necessary or sufficient to make a child custody
- 28 determination.
- 29 Sec. 7. Section 43-2401, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 30 amended to read:
- 31 43-2401 Sections 43-2401 to 43-2412 43-2413 shall be known and may

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- 1 be cited as the Juvenile Services Act.
- 2 Sec. 8. Section 43-2404.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 3 amended to read:
- 43-2404.01 (1) To be eligible for participation in either the 4
- 5 Commission Grant Program or the Community-based Juvenile Services Aid
- 6 Program, a comprehensive juvenile services plan shall be developed,
- 7 adopted, and submitted to the commission in accordance with the federal
- 8 act and rules and regulations adopted and promulgated by the commission
- 9 in consultation with the Director of the Community-based Juvenile
- Services Aid Program, the Director of Juvenile Diversion Programs, the 10
- 11 Office of Probation Administration, and the University of Nebraska at
- 12 Omaha, Juvenile Justice Institute. Such plan may be developed by eligible
- applicants for the Commission Grant Program and by individual counties, 13
- 14 by multiple counties, by federally recognized or state-recognized Indian
- 15 tribes, or by any combination of the three for the Community-based
- Juvenile Services Aid Program. Comprehensive juvenile services plans 16
- 17 shall:
- (a) Be developed by a comprehensive community team representing 18
- juvenile justice system stakeholders; 19
- 20 (b) Be based on data relevant to juvenile and family issues;
- 21 (c) Identify policies and practices that are research-based or
- 22 standardized and reliable and are implemented with fidelity and which
- 23 have been researched and demonstrate positive outcomes;
- 24 (d) Identify clear implementation strategies; and
- (e) Identify how the impact of the program or service will be 25
- 26 measured.
- 27 (2) Any portion of the comprehensive juvenile services plan dealing
- with administration, procedures, and programs of the juvenile court shall 28
- 29 not be submitted to the commission without the concurrence of the
- 30 presiding judge or judges of the court or courts having jurisdiction in
- juvenile cases for the geographic area to be served. Programs or services 31

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- 1 established by such plans shall conform to the family policy tenets
- 2 prescribed in sections 43-532 and 43-533 and shall include policies and
- 3 practices that are research-based or standardized and reliable and are
- 4 implemented with fidelity and which have been researched and demonstrate
- 5 positive outcomes.
- 6 (3) The commission, in consultation with the University of Nebraska
- 7 at Omaha, Juvenile Justice Institute, shall contract for the development
- 8 and administration of a statewide system to monitor and evaluate the
- 9 effectiveness of plans and programs receiving funds from (a) the
- 10 Commission Grant Program and (b) the Community-based Juvenile Services
- 11 Aid Program in preventing persons from entering the juvenile justice
- 12 system and in rehabilitating juvenile offenders.
- 13 (4) There is established within the commission the position of
- 14 Director of the Community-based Juvenile Services Aid Program, appointed
- 15 by the executive director of the commission. The director shall have
- 16 extensive experience in developing and providing community-based
- 17 services.
- 18 (5) The director shall be supervised by the executive director of
- 19 the commission. The director shall:
- 20 (a) Provide technical assistance and guidance for the development of
- 21 comprehensive juvenile services plans;
- 22 (b) Coordinate the review of the Community-based Juvenile Services
- 23 Aid Program application as provided in section 43-2404.02 and make
- 24 recommendations for the distribution of funds provided under the
- 25 Community-based Juvenile Services Aid Program, giving priority to those
- 26 grant applications funding programs and services that will divert
- 27 juveniles from the juvenile justice system, impact and effectively treat
- 28 juveniles within the juvenile justice system, and reduce the juvenile
- 29 detention population or assist juveniles in transitioning from out-of-
- 30 home placements to in-home treatments. The director shall ensure that no
- 31 funds appropriated or distributed under the Community-based Juvenile

1 Services Aid Program are used for purposes prohibited under subsection

- 2 (3) of section 43-2404.02;
- 3 (c) Develop data collection and evaluation protocols, oversee
- 4 statewide data collection, and generate an annual report on the
- 5 effectiveness of juvenile services that receive funds from the Community-
- 6 based Juvenile Services Aid Program;
- 7 (d) Develop relationships and collaborate with juvenile justice
- 8 system stakeholders, provide education and training as necessary, and
- 9 serve on boards and committees when approved by the commission;
- 10 (e) Assist juvenile justice system stakeholders in developing
- 11 policies and practices that are research-based or standardized and
- 12 reliable and are implemented with fidelity and which have been researched
- 13 and demonstrate positive outcomes;
- 14 (f) Develop and coordinate a statewide working group as a
- 15 subcommittee of the coalition to assist in regular strategic planning
- 16 related to supporting, funding, monitoring, and evaluating the
- 17 effectiveness of plans and programs receiving funds from the Community-
- 18 based Juvenile Services Aid Program; and
- 19 (g) Work with the coordinator for the coalition in facilitating the
- 20 coalition's obligations under the Community-based Juvenile Services Aid
- 21 Program.
- Sec. 9. Section 43-2411, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 23 amended to read:
- 24 43-2411 (1) The Nebraska Coalition for Juvenile Justice is created.
- 25 As provided in the federal act, there shall be no less than fifteen nor
- 26 more than thirty-three members of the coalition. Coalition members who
- 27 are members of the judicial branch of government shall be nonvoting
- 28 members of the coalition. The coalition members shall be appointed by the
- 29 Governor and shall include the members required under subsection (2) or
- 30 (3) of this section. \div
- 31 (2) Before June 15, 2018:

- 1 (a) As provided in the federal act, there shall be no less than
- 2 <u>fifteen nor more than thirty-three members of the coalition;</u>
- 3 (b) The coalition shall include:
- 4 (i) (a) The Administrator of the Office of Juvenile Services;
- 5 (ii) (b) The chief executive officer of the Department of Health and
- 6 Human Services or his or her designee;
- 7 (iii) (c) The Commissioner of Education or his or her designee;
- 8 (iv) (d) The executive director of the Nebraska Commission on Law
- 9 Enforcement and Criminal Justice or his or her designee;
- 10 <u>(v) (e)</u> The <u>executive director</u> Executive Director of the Nebraska
- 11 Association of County Officials or his or her designee;
- 12 <u>(vi)</u> The probation administrator of the Office of Probation
- 13 Administration or his or her designee;
- 14 <u>(vii)</u> (g) One county commissioner or supervisor;
- 15 <u>(viii)</u> (h) One person with data analysis experience;
- 16 (ix) (i) One police chief;
- 17 (x) (j) One sheriff;
- 18 (xi) (k) The executive director of the Foster Care Review Office;
- 19 (xii) (1) One separate juvenile court judge;
- 20 (xiii) (m) One county court judge;
- 21 (xiv) (n) One representative of mental health professionals who
- 22 works directly with juveniles;
- 23 (xv) (o) Three representatives, one from each congressional
- 24 district, from community-based, private nonprofit organizations who work
- 25 with juvenile offenders and their families;
- 26 (xvi) (p) One volunteer who works with juvenile offenders or
- 27 potential juvenile offenders;
- 28 (xvii) (q) One person who works with an alternative to a detention
- 29 program for juveniles;
- 30 (xviii) (r) The director or his or her designee from a youth
- 31 rehabilitation and treatment center;

1 (xix) (s) The director or his or her designee from a secure juvenile

- 2 detention facility;
- 3 (xx) (t) The director or his or her designee from a staff secure
- 4 youth confinement facility;
- 5 (xxi) (u) At least five members who are under twenty-four years of
- 6 age when appointed;
- 7 (xxii) (v) One person who works directly with juveniles who have
- 8 learning or emotional difficulties or are abused or neglected;
- 9 (xxiii) (w) One member of the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement
- 10 and Criminal Justice;
- 11 (xxiv) (x) One member of a regional behavioral health authority
- 12 established under section 71-808;
- 13 (xxy) (y) One county attorney; and
- 14 (xxvi) (z) One public defender; -
- 15 (c) A majority of the coalition members, including the chairperson,
- 16 shall not be full-time employees of federal, state, or local government.
- 17 At least one-fifth of the coalition members shall be under the age of
- 18 <u>twenty-four years at the time of appointment; and</u>
- 19 (d) Except as provided in subsection (4) of this section, the $\frac{(2)}{(2)}$
- 20 The terms of members appointed pursuant to subdivisions (2)(b)(vii) (1)
- 21 $\frac{(g)}{(g)}$ through $\frac{(2)(b)(xxvi)}{(xxvi)}$ of this section shall be three years,
- 22 except that the terms of the initial appointments of members of the
- 23 coalition shall be staggered so that one-third of the members are
- 24 appointed for terms of one year, one-third for terms of two years, and
- 25 one-third for terms of three years, as determined by the Governor.—A
- 26 majority of the coalition members, including the chairperson, shall not
- 27 be full-time employees of federal, state, or local government. At least
- 28 one-fifth of the coalition members shall be under the age of twenty-four
- 29 at the time of appointment.
- 30 (3) On and after June 15, 2018, the coalition shall include:
- 31 (a) The chief executive officer of the Department of Health and

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- 1 Human Services or his or her designee;
- 2 (b) The Commissioner of Education or his or her designee;
- 3 (c) The executive director of the Nebraska Commission on Law
- 4 Enforcement and Criminal Justice or his or her designee;
- 5 (d) The executive director of the Nebraska Association of County
- 6 Officials or his or her designee;
- 7 (e) The probation administrator of the Office of Probation
- 8 Administration or his or her designee;
- 9 <u>(f) One county commissioner or supervisor;</u>
- 10 (g) One representative from law enforcement;
- 11 (h) The executive director of the Foster Care Review Office;
- 12 (i) One separate juvenile court judge;
- (j) One county court judge;
- 14 (k) Three representatives, one from each congressional district,
- 15 <u>from community-based, private nonprofit organizations who work with</u>
- 16 juvenile offenders and their families;
- 17 <u>(1) The director or his or her designee from a secure juvenile</u>
- 18 detention facility or a staff secure youth confinement facility;
- 19 (m) At least one member who is under twenty-four years of age when
- 20 appointed, with juvenile justice experience preferred;
- 21 <u>(n) One at-large member;</u>
- 22 <u>(o) One member of a regional behavioral health authority established</u>
- 23 under section 71-808;
- 24 <u>(p) One county attorney;</u> and
- 25 (q) One juvenile public defender or defense attorney.
- 26 (4)(a) Except as provided in subdivisions (c) through (e) of this
- 27 <u>subsection</u>, members of the coalition serving prior to June 15, 2018,
- 28 shall continue to serve on the coalition as representatives of the entity
- 29 <u>they were appointed to represent until their current terms of office</u>
- 30 <u>expire and their successors are appointed and confirmed.</u>
- 31 (b) The terms of the members appointed pursuant to subdivisions (3)

- 1 (f) through (3)(q) of this section shall be three years.
- 2 (c) The positions created pursuant to subdivisions (2)(b)(i),
- 3 (viii), (x), (xiv), (xvi), (xvii), (xviii), (xx), (xxii), and (xxiii) of
- 4 this section shall cease to exist on June 15, 2018.
- 5 (d) The police chief appointed pursuant to subdivision (2)(b)(ix) of
- 6 <u>this section shall continue to serve until the representative from law</u>
- 7 <u>enforcement under subdivision (3)(g) of this section is appointed.</u>
- 8 <u>(e) The director or his or her designee from a secure juvenile</u>
- 9 detention facility appointed pursuant to subdivision (2)(b)(xix) of this
- 10 <u>section shall continue to serve until the member under subdivision (3)(1)</u>
- 11 of this section is appointed.
- 12 <u>(5)</u> Any vacancy on the coalition shall be filled by appointment by
- 13 the Governor. The coalition shall select a chairperson, a vice-
- 14 chairperson, and such other officers as it deems necessary.
- 15 (6) (3) Members of the coalition shall be reimbursed for their
- 16 actual and necessary expenses pursuant to sections 81-1174 to 81-1177.
- 17 (7) (4) The coalition may appoint task forces or subcommittees to
- 18 carry out its work. Task force and subcommittee members shall have
- 19 knowledge of, responsibility for, or interest in an area related to the
- 20 duties of the coalition.
- Sec. 10. Section 43-2412, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 22 amended to read:
- 23 43-2412 (1) Consistent with the purposes and objectives of the
- 24 Juvenile Services Act and the federal act, the coalition shall:
- 25 (a) Make recommendations to the commission on the awarding of grants
- 26 under the Commission Grant Program to eligible applicants;
- 27 (b) Identify juvenile justice issues, share information, and monitor
- 28 and evaluate programs in the juvenile justice system;
- 29 (c) Recommend guidelines and supervision procedures to be used to
- 30 develop or expand local diversion programs for juveniles from the
- 31 juvenile justice system;

- (b) (d) Prepare at least one an annual report annually to the 1
- 2 Governor, the Legislature, the Office of Probation Administration, and
- 3 Office of Juvenile Services including recommendations on
- administrative and legislative actions which would improve the juvenile 4
- 5 justice system. The report submitted to the Legislature shall be
- 6 submitted electronically;
- 7 (c) (e) Ensure widespread citizen involvement in all phases of its
- 8 work; and
- 9 (d) (f) Meet at least two four times each year.
- (2) Consistent with the purposes and objectives of the acts and 10
- 11 within the limits of available time and appropriations, the coalition
- 12 may:
- (a) Assist and advise state and local agencies in the establishment 13
- 14 of volunteer training programs and the utilization of volunteers;
- 15 (b) Apply for and receive funds from federal and private sources for
- carrying out its powers and duties; and 16
- (c) Provide technical assistance to eligible applicants; -17
- (d) Identify juvenile justice issues, share information, and monitor 18
- and evaluate programs in the juvenile justice system; and 19
- 20 (e) Recommend guidelines and supervision procedures to be used to
- 21 develop or expand local diversion programs for juveniles from the
- 22 juvenile justice system.
- 23 (3) In formulating, adopting, and promulgating the recommendations
- 24 and guidelines provided for in this section, the coalition shall consider
- the differences among counties in population, in geography, and in the 25
- 26 availability of local resources.
- 27 Sec. 11. Section 71-1940, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 2016, is amended to read: 28
- 29 71-1940 The department may deny, refuse to renew, or take
- 30 disciplinary action against a license issued under the Children's
- Residential Facilities and Placing Licensure Act on any of the following 31

1 grounds:

- 2 (1) Failure to meet or violation of any of the requirements of the
- 3 act or the rules and regulations adopted and promulgated under the act;
- 4 (2) Violation of an order of the department under the act;
- 5 (3) Conviction, admission, or substantial evidence of committing or
- 6 permitting, aiding, or abetting another to commit any unlawful act,
- 7 including, but not limited to, unlawful acts committed by an applicant or
- 8 licensee under the act, household members who reside at the place where
- 9 children's residential care or child-placing services are provided, or
- 10 employees of the applicant or licensee that involve:
- 11 (a) Physical abuse of children or vulnerable adults as defined in
- 12 section 28-371;
- 13 (b) Endangerment or neglect of children or vulnerable adults;
- 14 (c) Sexual abuse, sexual assault, or sexual misconduct;
- 15 (d) Homicide;
- (e) Use, possession, manufacturing, or distribution of a controlled
- 17 substance listed in section 28-405;
- 18 (f) Property crimes, including, but not limited to, fraud,
- 19 embezzlement, and theft by deception; or
- 20 (g) Use of a weapon in the commission of an unlawful act;
- 21 (4) Conduct or practices detrimental to the health, safety, or
- 22 welfare of any individual residing in, served by, or employed at the
- 23 residential child-caring agency or child-placing agency;
- 24 (5) Failure to allow an agent or employee of the department access
- 25 to the residential child-caring agency or child-placing agency for the
- 26 purposes of inspection, investigation, or other information collection
- 27 activities necessary to carry out the duties of the department;
- 28 (6) Failure to allow local or state inspectors, investigators, or
- 29 law enforcement officers access to the residential child-caring agency or
- 30 child-placing agency for the purposes of investigation necessary to carry
- 31 out their duties;

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1 (7) Failure to meet requirements relating to sanitation, fire

- 2 safety, and building codes;
- 3 (8) Failure to comply with or violation of the Medication Aide Act;
- 4 (9) Failure to file a report of suspected abuse or neglect as
- 5 required by sections 28-372 and 28-711;
- 6 (10) Violation of any city, village, or county rules, regulations,
- 7 resolutions, or ordinances regulating licensees;
- 8 (11) A history of misconduct or violations by an applicant or
- 9 licensee involving children or vulnerable adults;—or
- 10 (12) Violation of the requirements of section 83-4,134.01; or
- 11 (13) (12) Violation of any federal, state, or local law involving
- 12 care of children.
- 13 Sec. 12. Section 83-4,125, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 14 2016, is amended to read:
- 15 83-4,125 For purposes of sections 83-4,124 to 83-4,134.01:
- 16 (1) Criminal detention facility means any institution operated by a
- 17 political subdivision or a combination of political subdivisions for the
- 18 careful keeping or rehabilitative needs of adult or juvenile criminal
- 19 offenders or those persons being detained while awaiting disposition of
- 20 charges against them. Criminal detention facility does not include any
- 21 institution operated by the Department of Correctional Services. Criminal
- 22 detention facilities shall be classified as follows:
- 23 (a) Type I Facilities means criminal detention facilities used for
- 24 the detention of persons for not more than twenty-four hours, excluding
- 25 nonjudicial days;
- 26 (b) Type II Facilities means criminal detention facilities used for
- 27 the detention of persons for not more than ninety-six hours, excluding
- 28 nonjudicial days; and
- 29 (c) Type III Facilities means criminal detention facilities used for
- 30 the detention of persons beyond ninety-six hours;
- 31 (2) Juvenile detention facility means an institution operated by a

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1 political subdivision or political subdivisions for the secure detention

- 2 and treatment of persons younger than eighteen years of age, including
- 3 persons under the jurisdiction of a juvenile court, who are serving a
- 4 sentence pursuant to a conviction in a county or district court or who
- 5 are detained while waiting disposition of charges against them. Juvenile
- 6 detention facility does not include any institution operated by the
- 7 department;
- 8 (3) Juvenile facility means a residential child-caring agency as
- 9 defined in section 71-1926, a juvenile detention facility or staff secure
- 10 juvenile facility as defined in this section, a facility operated by the
- 11 Department of Correctional Services that houses youth under the age of
- 12 majority, or a youth rehabilitation and treatment center;
- 13 (4) Room confinement means the involuntary restriction of a juvenile
- 14 <u>placed alone in to</u> a cell, <u>alone in a room</u>, or <u>alone in another</u> other
- 15 area, alone, including a juvenile's own room, except during normal
- 16 sleeping hours, whether or not such cell, room, or other area is subject
- 17 <u>to video or other electronic monitoring</u>; and
- 18 (5) Staff secure juvenile facility means a juvenile residential
- 19 facility operated by a political subdivision (a) which does not include
- 20 construction designed to physically restrict the movements and activities
- 21 of juveniles who are in custody in the facility, (b) in which physical
- 22 restriction of movement or activity of juveniles is provided solely
- 23 through staff, (c) which may establish reasonable rules restricting
- 24 ingress to and egress from the facility, and (d) in which the movements
- 25 and activities of individual juvenile residents may, for treatment
- 26 purposes, be restricted or subject to control through the use of
- 27 intensive staff supervision. Staff secure juvenile facility does not
- 28 include any institution operated by the department.
- 29 Sec. 13. Section 83-4,134.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 30 Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:
- 31 83-4,134.01 (1) It is the intent of the Legislature to establish a

system of investigation and performance review in order to provide 1

- increased accountability and oversight regarding the use of 2 room
- 3 confinement for juveniles in a juvenile facility.
- The following shall apply regarding 4 (2) placement room
- 5 confinement of a juvenile in a juvenile facility:
- 6 (a) Room confinement of a juvenile for longer than one hour shall be
- 7 documented and approved in writing by a supervisor in the juvenile
- facility. Documentation of the room confinement shall include the date of 8
- 9 the occurrence; the race, ethnicity, age, and gender of the juvenile; the
- reason for placement of the juvenile in room confinement; an explanation 10
- 11 of why less restrictive means were unsuccessful; the ultimate duration of
- 12 the placement in room confinement; facility staffing levels at the time
- of confinement; and any incidents of self-harm or suicide committed by 13
- 14 the juvenile while he or she was isolated;
- 15 (b) If any physical or mental health clinical evaluation was
- performed during the time the juvenile was in room confinement for longer 16
- 17 than one hour, the results of such evaluation shall be considered in any
- 18 decision to place a juvenile in room confinement or to continue room
- confinement; 19
- 20 (c) The juvenile facility shall submit a report quarterly to the
- 21 Legislature on the number of juveniles placed in room confinement; the
- 22 length of time each juvenile was in room confinement; the race,
- 23 ethnicity, age, and gender of each juvenile placed in room confinement;
- 24 facility staffing levels at the time of confinement; and the reason each
- juvenile was placed in room confinement. The report shall specifically 25
- 26 address each instance of room confinement of a juvenile for more than
- 27 four hours, including all reasons why attempts to return the juvenile to
- the general population of the juvenile facility were unsuccessful. The 28
- 29 report shall also detail all corrective measures taken in response to
- 30 noncompliance with this section. The report shall redact all personal
- identifying information but shall provide individual, not aggregate, 31

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- data. The report shall be delivered electronically to the Legislature. 1
- 2 The initial quarterly report shall be submitted within two weeks after
- 3 the quarter ending on September 30, 2016. Subsequent reports shall be
- submitted for the ensuing quarters within two weeks after the end of each 4
- 5 quarter; and
- 6 (d) The Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare shall review all
- 7 data collected pursuant to this section in order to assess the use of
- room confinement for juveniles in each juvenile facility and prepare an 8
- 9 annual report of his or her findings, including, but not limited to,
- identifying changes in policy and practice which may lead to decreased 10
- 11 use of such confinement as well as model evidence-based criteria to be
- 12 used to determine when a juvenile should be placed in room confinement.
- The report shall be delivered electronically to the Legislature on an 13
- 14 annual basis; and -
- 15 (e) Any juvenile facility which is not a residential child-caring
- agency which fails to comply with the requirements of this section is 16
- 17 subject to disciplinary action as provided in section 83-4,134. Any
- juvenile facility which is a residential child-caring agency which fails 18
- 19 to comply with the requirements of this section is subject to
- 20 disciplinary action as provided in section 71-1940.
- 21 Sec. 14. Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 11, 12, 13, and 16 of this act
- 22 become operative three calendar months after the adjournment of this
- 23 legislative session. The other sections of this act become operative on
- 24 their effective date.
- 15. Original sections 43-2401, 43-2404.01, 43-2411, 25
- 26 43-2412, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, are repealed.
- 27 Sec. 16. Original sections 43-248, 43-250, 43-251.02, and 43-1238,
- Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, sections 71-1940, 83-4,125, and 28
- 29 83-4,134.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, and sections
- 30 43-246.02 and 43-286, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2017, are repealed.
- Sec. 17. The following section is outright repealed: Section 31

- 43-2413, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska. 1
- 2 Sec. 18. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when
- 3 passed and approved according to law.
- 2. On page 1, strike beginning with "the" in line 1 through line 8 4
- 5 and insert "juveniles; to amend sections 43-248, 43-250, 43-251.02,
- 6 43-1238, 43-2401, 43-2404.01, 43-2411, and 43-2412, Reissue Revised
- 7 Statutes of Nebraska, sections 71-1940, 83-4,125, and 83-4,134.01,
- Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, and sections 43-246.02 and 8
- 9 43-286, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2017; to change provisions relating
- to bridge orders; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to change provisions 10
- 11 relating to temporary custody of a juvenile, referral of children and
- 12 parents to community-based providers, and procedures for alleged
- violations of probation, supervision, or court orders by juveniles; to 13
- 14 provide for jurisdiction under the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and
- 15 Enforcement Act to make factual findings as prescribed; to change
- provisions relating to the membership, powers, and duties of the Nebraska 16
- 17 Coalition for Juvenile Justice; to change grounds for licensure and
- disciplinary actions under the Children's Residential Facilities and 18
- Placing Licensure Act; to redefine a term; to change provisions relating 19
- 20 room confinement of juveniles; to eliminate the position of
- 21 coordinator for the Nebraska Coalition for Juvenile Justice; to harmonize
- 22 provisions; to provide operative dates; to repeal the original sections;
- 23 to outright repeal section 43-2413, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska;
- 24 and to declare an emergency.".