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Committee: Judiciary

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to courts; to amend section 24-1007, Reissue
- 2 Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to require a report on juveniles
- 3 discharged from youth rehabilitation and treatment centers; and to
- 4 repeal the original section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 24-1007, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
2 amended to read:

3 24-1007 (1) The State Court Administrator shall compile uniform and
4 accurate statistics which will assist in the evaluation of judicial
5 workloads. The judicial workload statistics shall be based on caseload
6 numbers weighted by category of case. The judicial workload statistics
7 shall be compiled annually for each district, county, and separate
8 juvenile court judicial district in the state.

9 (2) The State Court Administrator shall develop and provide an
10 annual report to the Legislature and the Governor on juveniles in
11 Nebraska's justice system. The report to the Legislature shall be
12 provided electronically. For purposes of this section, juvenile has the
13 same meaning as in section 43-245. The report shall include, but not be
14 limited to, geographic and demographic information on the following:

15 (a) Juveniles prosecuted in juvenile court under subdivision (1),
16 (2), (3)(b), or (4) of section 43-247, including the total number of
17 filings and adjudications;

18 (b) Juveniles prosecuted in adult criminal court for felonies,
19 misdemeanors, and traffic offenses. The information shall include
20 juveniles sentenced to terms in adult jails and prisons and juveniles
21 placed on adult probation;

22 (c) The number of motions to transfer and the number of cases
23 transferred to adult court from juvenile court and from adult criminal
24 court to juvenile court;

25 (d) Juveniles placed on juvenile probation, the number of juveniles
26 on probation in out-of-home care, the number of juveniles completing
27 probation, the number of motions to revoke probation and probation
28 revocations, and the average length of time on probation;

29 (e) Juveniles with and without access to counsel in juvenile and
30 adult court, both appointed and retained; and

31 (f) Rates of recidivism.

1 (3) Beginning January 1, 2022, the report required by subsection (2)
2 of this section shall separately present information on juveniles who
3 have been discharged from the youth rehabilitation and treatment centers.

4 This section of the report shall include, but not be limited to,
5 demographic information on the following:

6 (a) Rates of recidivism;

7 (b) The number of such juveniles completing probation, the number of
8 motions to revoke probation, and the number of probation revocations; and

9 (c) The number of such juveniles accessing services provided through
10 Program No. 437, the types of services received, and the number of such
11 juveniles receiving each type of service.

12 Sec. 2. Original section 24-1007, Reissue Revised Statutes of
13 Nebraska, is repealed.