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Committee:

A BILL

1 FOR AN ACT relating to health care facilities; to amend section
2 71-401, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to
3 require the Department of Health and Human Services and
4 health care facilities to provide information regarding
5 abortion; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the
6 original section.

7 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 71-401, Revised Statutes Cumulative
2 Supplement, 2012, is amended to read:

3 71-401 Sections 71-401 to 71-468 and sections 2 and 3 of
4 this act shall be known and may be cited as the Health Care Facility
5 Licensure Act.

6 Sec. 2. (1) The Department of Health and Human Services
7 shall develop and maintain a dedicated stable Internet web page on
8 the web site of the Department of Health and Human Services to
9 provide the information described in this section and section
10 28-327.01. No information regarding who uses the web page shall be
11 collected or maintained. The department shall monitor the web page on
12 a regular basis to prevent and correct tampering and shall
13 immediately notify health care facilities which provide abortions as
14 defined in section 28-326 of any change in the location of the
15 material on the web page.

16 (2) The department shall ensure that the web page:

17 (a) Uses enhanced, user-friendly search capabilities to
18 ensure that the information described in this section and section
19 28-327.01 is easily accessible and is searchable by keywords and
20 phrases, specifically to ensure that entering the terms "abortion"
21 and "abortion information" yields the information described in this
22 section and section 28-327.01, regardless of how such information is
23 labeled;

24 (b) Allows for the printing of such information other
25 than videos;

1 (c) Gives clear, prominent instructions on how to obtain
2 the information in printed form; and

3 (d) Is accessible to the public without requiring
4 registration or use of a user name, a password, or another user
5 identification.

6 (3) The department shall include a link on the web page
7 developed under subsection (1) of this section to the web site of The
8 Endowment for Human Development, which contains video of ultrasound
9 images, using the best available ultrasound technology, of a fetus at
10 two-week gestational increments.

11 Sec. 3. If a health care facility which provides
12 abortions as defined in section 28-326 has a web site, the health
13 care facility shall place on the home page of the web site a direct
14 link to the web page developed pursuant to section 2 of this act
15 which contains the materials described in section 2 of this act. The
16 language of the link shall be maintained at a minimum resolution of
17 seventy dots per inch. All letters on the link shall be a minimum of
18 fourteen-point font. The link shall read as follows: "The Nebraska
19 Department of Health and Human Services maintains a web page
20 containing objective, nonjudgmental, scientifically accurate
21 information about the development of the unborn child, as well as a
22 link to videos of ultrasound images of the unborn child at various
23 stages of development. The web page also has information on
24 alternatives to abortion and a comprehensive list on where to obtain
25 an ultrasound free of charge. The web page can be reached by clicking

1 here.".

2 Sec. 4. Original section 71-401, Revised Statutes

3 Cumulative Supplement, 2012, is repealed.