
ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 89—COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

(ON BEHALF OF THE JOINT INTERIM STANDING
COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY)

PREFILED JANUARY 6, 2025

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

SUMMARY—Imposes certain requirements relating to unclothed searches of children at certain juvenile justice facilities. (BDR 5-496)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: May have Fiscal Impact.
Effect on the State: Yes.

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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 juvenile justice; requiring certain facilities to which a juvenile court commits a child to adopt and implement certain policies and procedures relating to unclothed searches of children who are detained in or committed to the facility; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 Existing law provides certain rights to children who are detained in a detention
2 facility, including, without limitation, the right to be: (1) treated with basic human
3 dignity and respect, without intentional infliction of humiliation; and (2) free from
4 searches conducted for the purpose of harassment, punishment or discipline. (NRS
5 62B.510) **Section 1** of this bill requires each regional facility for the treatment and
6 rehabilitation of children and local facility for the detention of children to adopt and
7 implement policies and procedures concerning unclothed searches of children who
8 are detained in or committed to the facility. **Section 1** requires any such policy or
9 procedure to: (1) prohibit unclothed searches of children who are detained in or
10 committed to such a facility, except under extraordinary circumstances; and (2)
11 include certain requirements governing any unclothed search of a child who is
12 detained in or committed to such a facility. **Section 2** of this bill imposes the same
13 requirements on each state facility for the detention of children.



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

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 62B of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 1. *Each facility shall adopt and implement policies and*
4 *procedures concerning unclothed searches of children who are*
5 *detained in or committed to the facility. The policies and*
6 *procedures must:*

7 (a) *Be consistent with any other applicable laws or*
8 *regulations;*

9 (b) *Prohibit unclothed searches of children who are detained*
10 *in or committed to the facility, except under extraordinary*
11 *circumstances;*

12 (c) *Require the physical presence of at least two employees of*
13 *the facility for the entire duration of any unclothed search of a*
14 *child who is detained in or committed to the facility; and*

15 (d) *Include, without limitation, a requirement that the*
16 *employee who has primary responsibility for an unclothed search*
17 *of a child who is detained in or committed to the facility submit to*
18 *the administrator or director of the facility a written report*
19 *concerning the search.*

20 2. *A written report submitted pursuant to subsection 1 must:*

21 (a) *Be submitted not later than 72 hours after the search*
22 *occurs; and*

23 (b) *Include a description of the search and any other*
24 *information requested by the administrator or director, as*
25 *applicable.*

26 3. *As used in this section:*

27 (a) *“Facility” means a regional facility for the treatment and*
28 *rehabilitation of children or a local facility for the detention of*
29 *children.*

30 (b) *“Unclothed search” means a search that requires a person*
31 *to remove or arrange some clothing so as to permit a visual*
32 *inspection of the person’s breasts, buttocks or genitalia.*

33 **Sec. 2.** Chapter 63 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
34 thereto a new section to read as follows:

35 1. *The superintendent of a facility shall adopt and implement*
36 *policies and procedures concerning unclothed searches of*
37 *children who are detained in the facility. The policies and*
38 *procedures must:*

39 (a) *Be consistent with any other applicable laws or*
40 *regulations;*



1 (b) *Prohibit unclothed searches of children who are detained*
2 *in or committed to the facility, except under extraordinary*
3 *circumstances;*

4 (c) *Require the physical presence of at least two employees of*
5 *the facility for the entire duration of any unclothed search of a*
6 *child who is detained in or committed to the facility; and*

7 (d) *Include, without limitation, a requirement that the*
8 *employee who has primary responsibility for an unclothed search*
9 *of a child who is detained in or committed to the facility submit to*
10 *the superintendent of the facility a written report concerning the*
11 *search.*

12 2. *A written report submitted pursuant to subsection 1 must:*

13 (a) *Be submitted not later than 72 hours after the search*
14 *occurs; and*

15 (b) *Include a description of the search and any other*
16 *information requested by the superintendent.*

17 3. *As used in this section, “unclothed search” means a search*
18 *that requires a person to remove or arrange some clothing so as to*
19 *permit a visual inspection of the person’s breasts, buttocks or*
20 *genitalia.*

21 **Sec. 3.** 1. This section becomes effective upon passage and
22 approval.

23 2. Sections 1 and 2 of this act become effective:

24 (a) Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting any
25 regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative
26 tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and

27 (b) On October 1, 2025, for all other purposes.



