SENATE BILL NO. 379–COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

(ON BEHALF OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE)

MARCH 26, 2021

Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

SUMMARY—Provides for the collection of certain data concerning providers of health care. (BDR 40-457)

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

EXPLANATION - Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets [omitted material] is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to health care; requiring the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services to establish and maintain a database comprised of information concerning providers of health care who are licensed, certified or registered in this State; requiring or authorizing certain professional licensing boards and agencies that license, certify or register providers of health care to collect information from applicants for the renewal of a license, certificate or registration; establishing the Health Care Workforce Working Group within the Department to analyze the information in the database and perform certain related duties; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law provides that the Department of Health and Human Services is the agency of the State of Nevada for health planning and development. (NRS 439A.081) Section 5 of this bill requires the Director of the Department to establish and maintain a database comprised of information collected from certain applicants for the renewal of a license, certificate or registration as a provider of health care. Section 5 requires that information to include certain demographic information and certain information about the applicant's practice. Sections 12, 14-16, 24, 30, 32 and 33 of this bill require licensing boards that license, certify or register certain providers of health care to request such information from each applicant for the





10 renewal of a license, certification or registration. Sections 9, 13, 17-20, 22, 23, 25-11 29, 35 and 36 of this bill authorize other licensing boards and governmental 12 agencies that license or certify providers of health care to request such information 13 from applicants for the renewal of a license or certificate. Sections 9, 12-20, 22-30 14 and 32-36 of this bill provide that an applicant from whom data is requested is not 15 required to respond to the request. Sections 9, 12-20, 22-30 and 32-36 require a 16 board or agency that requests information from applicants for the renewal of a 17 license, certificate or registration to submit the information to the Director for inclusion in the database. Sections 9, 12-20, 22-30 and 32-36 additionally prohibit 18 19 a licensing board or agency from using the information provided by an applicant for the renewal of a license, certificate or registration when determining whether to renew the license, certificate or registration. Sections 11, 21, 31 and 34 of this bill make conforming changes.

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make conforming changes.
Section 6 of this bill requires the Director to establish the Health Care
Workforce Working Group. Section 7 of this bill prescribes the duties of
the Working Group, which include: (1) analyzing the information contained in the
database; and (2) making recommendations to professional licensing boards, the
Legislature and certain state agencies concerning ways in which to attract more
providers of health care to this State and improve health outcomes and public
health.

30 Section 5 of this bill requires the Director to annually publish data from the 31 database that does not contain information that could be used to identify a provider 32 33 34 of health care. Section 5 also: (1) requires the Director provide such data to the Working Group; and (2) authorizes the Working Group to disclose or publish that data under certain circumstances. Sections 5, 9-20, 22-30 and 32-36 of this bill 35 provide that information collected for submission to the database from providers of 36 health care is otherwise confidential. Section 8 of this bill authorizes the Director to 37 enter into contracts, apply for and accept gifts, grants and donations and adopt 38 regulations to carry out the duties prescribed by this bill.

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

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 439A of NRS is hereby amended by 2 adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 to 8, inclusive, 3 of this act.

4 Sec. 2. As used in sections 2 to 8, inclusive, of this act, unless 5 the context otherwise requires, the words and terms defined in 6 sections 3 and 4

7 have the meanings ascribed to them in those sections.

8 Sec. 3. "Provider of health care" has the meaning ascribed 9 to it in NRS 629.031.

10 Sec. 4. "Working Group" means the Healthcare Workforce 11 Working Group established pursuant to section 6 of this act.

12 Sec. 5. 1. The Director shall establish and maintain a

13 database of information collected from applicants for the renewal

14 of a license, certificate or registration as a provider of health care.

15 The information in the database must include, for each applicant

16 from whom such information is collected:





(a) The type of license, certificate or registration held by the 1 2 applicant; 3

(b) The race and ethnicity of the applicant;

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- (c) The primary language spoken by the applicant;
- (d) The specialty area in which the applicant practices;
- (e) The county of this State in which the applicant spends the 6 7 *majority of his or her working hours;*
- 8 (f) The address of each location at which the applicant practices or intends to practice and the percentage of working 9 *hours spent by the applicant at each location;* 10
- 11 (g) The type of practice in which the applicant engages, including, without limitation, individual private practice, group 12 13 private practice, multispecialty group private practice, government 14 or nonprofit;
- 15 (h) The settings in which the applicant practices, including, without limitation, hospitals, clinics and academic settings; 16
- 17 (i) The education and primary and secondary specialties of the 18 applicant;
- (j) The average number of hours worked per week by the 19 20 applicant and the total number of weeks worked by the applicant 21 during the immediately preceding calendar year;
- 22 (k) The percentages of working hours during which the 23 applicant engages in patient care and other activities, including, 24 without limitation, teaching, research and administration;
- 25 (1) Any planned major changes to the practice of the applicant within the immediately following 5 years, including, without 26 27 limitation, retirement, relocation or significant changes in 28 working hours; and
- 29 (m) Any other information prescribed by regulation of the 30 Director.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, 31 32 information included in the database is confidential and not a 33 *public record. The Director shall:*
- 34 (a) Take all necessary measures to ensure the confidentiality of the identity of providers of health care to whom information in 35 the database pertains, including, without limitation, measures to 36 37 ensure that the identity of a provider of health care is not ascertainable due to his or her reported profession or the reported 38 location at which he or she practices. 39
- (b) Make data from the database that does not contain any 40 information that could be used to identify an applicant for or the 41 42 holder of a license, certificate or registration as a provider of 43 health care available to the Working Group. The Working Group may use such data to support the recommendations made 44





pursuant to section 7 of this act or include such data in any report
 published pursuant to that section.

3 (c) Publish an annual report of data from the database that 4 does not contain any information that could be used to identify an 5 applicant for or holder of a license, certificate or registration as a 6 provider of health care.

7 (d) Analyze the data in the database and make periodic reports 8 to the Legislature, the Department and other agencies of the 9 Executive Branch of the State Government concerning ways in 10 which to:

(1) Attract more persons, including, without limitation,
members of underrepresented groups, to pursue the education
necessary to practice as a provider of health care and practice as a
provider of health care in this State; and

15 (2) Improve health outcomes and public health in this 16 State.

17 Sec. 6. 1. The Director shall establish the Health Care 18 Workforce Working Group within the Department. The Director 19 shall appoint to the Working Group providers of health care and 20 representatives of:

21 (a) Groups that represent providers of health care and 22 consumers of health care;

(b) The Nevada System of Higher Education, universities, state
 colleges, community colleges and other institutions in this State
 that train providers of health care;

(c) The Department of Health and Human Services; and

27 (d) Professional licensing boards that license, certify or 28 register providers of health care.

The Director shall appoint a Chair of the Working Group.
 The Working Group shall meet at the call of the Chair. A majority
 of the members of the Working Group constitutes a quorum and is
 required to transact any business of the Working Group.

33 3. The members of the Working Group serve without 34 compensation and are not entitled to receive the per diem 35 allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and 36 employees generally.

37 4. A member of the Working Group who is an officer or employee of this State or a political subdivision of this State must 38 be relieved from his or her duties without loss of regular 39 compensation to prepare for and attend meetings of the Working 40 Group and perform any work necessary to carry out the duties of 41 42 the Working Group in the most timely manner practicable. A state 43 agency or political subdivision of this State shall not require an officer or employee who is a member of the Working Group to: 44



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(a) Make up the time he or she is absent from work to carry 1 2 out his or her duties as a member of the Working Group; or 3

(b) Take annual leave or compensatory time for the absence.

The Department shall provide such administrative support 4 5. 5 to the Working Group as is necessary to carry out the duties of the 6 Working Group.

7 Sec. 7. 1. The Working Group shall:

8 (a) Make recommendations to the Director concerning the 9 information included in the database pursuant to section 5 of this 10 act:

(b) Analyze the information contained in the database: and

12 (c) Make recommendations to the Department of Health and 13 Human Services, the Department of Education, the Board of Regents of the University of Nevada, the Legislature, professional 14 licensing boards that license, certify or register providers of health 15 care and other relevant persons and entities concerning ways in 16 17 which to:

18 (1) Attract more persons, including, without limitation, members of underrepresented groups, to pursue the education 19 20 necessary to practice as a provider of health care and practice as a 21 provider of health care in this State; and

22 (2) Improve health outcomes and public health in this 23 State.

24 The working group may publish reports of any of its 2. 25 findings or recommendations.

26 Sec. 8. 1. The Director shall adopt regulations prescribing 27 the dates on which professional licensing boards must submit 28 information to the Director pursuant to sections 12, 14, 15, 16, 24, 29 30, 32 and 33 of this act, which must occur at least annually.

30 2. The Director may:

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(a) Adopt any regulations necessary to carry out the provisions 31 32 of sections 2 to 8, inclusive, of this act;

33 (b) Enter into any contracts or agreements necessary to carry out the provisions of sections 2 to 8, inclusive, of this act; and 34

35 (c) Apply for and accept any gifts, grants and donations to carry out the provisions of sections 2 to 8, inclusive, of this act. 36

37 3. If the Director enters into a contract or agreement pursuant to this section for the establishment or maintenance of 38 the database, the analysis of data or the issuance of reports 39 pursuant to section 5 of this act, the contract must provide 40 the Director with unrestricted access to any data maintained by the 41 42 contracting entity and any analysis or reporting performed by the 43 contracting entity.





Chapter 450B of NRS is hereby amended by adding Sec. 9. 1 2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 The health authority may request each applicant for the 1. renewal of a license as an attendant or a certificate as an 4 5 emergency medical technician, advanced emergency medical technician or paramedic to provide the information described in 6 7 section 5 of this act to the health authority. If the health authority 8 does so, the health authority must submit the information to the 9 Director of the Department of Health and Human Services or his or her designee for inclusion in the database established pursuant 10 to section 5 of this act. 11

12 The information provided by an applicant for a renewal of 2. 13 a license or certificate pursuant to subsection 1 is confidential 14 and, except as required by subsection 1, must not be disclosed to 15 any person or entity.

16 3. An applicant for the renewal of a license or certificate is 17 not required to respond to a request pursuant to subsection 1 and is not subject to disciplinary action, including, without limitation, 18 19 refusal to renew the license or certificate, for failure to do so.

20 The health authority shall not use any information 4. 21 provided by an applicant for the renewal of a license or certificate 22 pursuant to subsection 1 when determining whether to renew the license or certificate. This subsection must not be construed to 23 restrict the ability of the health authority to use information 24 25 collected through other means, including, without limitation, 26 information that is similar or identical to information provided 27 pursuant to subsection 1, when making such a determination. 28

Sec. 10. NRS 239.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

29 239.010 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section and 30 NRS 1.4683, 1.4687, 1A.110, 3.2203, 41.071, 49.095, 49.293, 62D.420, 62D.440, 62E.516, 62E.620, 62H.025, 62H.030, 62H.170, 31 62H.220, 62H.320, 75A.100, 75A.150, 76.160, 78.152, 80.113, 32 81.850, 82.183, 86.246, 86.54615, 87.515, 87.5413, 87A.200, 33 87A.580, 87A.640, 88.3355, 88.5927, 88.6067, 88A.345, 88A.7345, 34 89.045, 89.251, 90.730, 91.160, 116.757, 116A.270, 116B.880, 35 119.265. 119.267. 36 118B.026. 119.260. 119.280. 119A.280, 119A.653, 119A.677, 119B.370, 119B.382, 120A.690, 125.130, 37 125B.140, 126.141, 126.161, 126.163, 126.730, 127.007, 127.057, 38 127.130, 127.140, 127.2817, 128.090, 130.312, 130.712, 136.050, 39 40 159.044, 159A.044, 172.075, 172.245, 176.01249, 176.015. 176.0625, 176.09129, 176.156, 176A.630, 178.39801, 178.4715, 41 42 178.5691, 179.495, 179A.070, 179A.165, 179D.160, 200.3771, 200.5095, 200.604, 202.3662, 205.4651, 209.392, 43 200.3772, 44 209.3923, 209.3925, 209.419, 209.429, 209.521, 211A.140, 213.010, 213.040, 213.095, 213.131, 217.105, 217.110, 217.464, 45



217.475, 218A.350, 218E.625, 218F.150, 218G.130, 218G.240, 1 2 218G.350, 226.300, 228.270, 228.450, 228.495, 228.570, 231.069, 231.1473, 233.190, 237.300, 239.0105, 239.0113, 239.014, 3 239B.030, 239B.040, 239B.050, 239C.140, 239C.210, 239C.230, 4 5 239C.250, 239C.270, 239C.420, 240.007, 241.020, 241.030. 241.039, 242.105, 244.264, 244.335, 247.540, 247.550, 247.560, 6 7 250.087, 250.130, 250.140, 250.150, 268.095, 268.0978, 268.490, 269.174, 271A.105, 281.195, 281.805, 281A.350, 8 268.910. 281A.680, 281A.685, 281A.750, 281A.755, 281A.780, 284.4068, 9 286.110, 286.118, 287.0438, 289.025, 289.080, 289.387, 289.830, 10 293.4855, 293.5002, 293.503, 293.504, 293.558, 293.5757, 293.870, 11 293.906, 293.908, 293.910, 293B.135, 293D.510, 331.110, 332.061, 12 332.351, 333.333, 333.335, 338.070, 338.1379, 338.1593, 338.1725, 13 349.597, 349.775, 353.205, 353A.049, 14 338.1727. 348.420. 353A.100, 353C.240, 360.240, 360.247, 360.255, 15 353A.085. 360.755, 361.044, 361.2242, 361.610, 365.138, 366.160, 368A.180, 16 17 370.257, 370.327, 372A.080, 378.290, 378.300, 379.0075, 379.008, 379.1495, 385A.830, 385B.100, 387.626, 387.631, 388.1455, 18 388.259, 388.501, 388.503, 388.513, 388.750, 388A.247, 388A.249, 19 20 391.033, 391.035, 391.0365, 391.120, 391.925, 392.029, 392.147, 392.264, 392.271, 392.315, 392.317, 392.325, 392.327, 392.335, 21 22 392.850, 393.045, 394.167, 394.16975, 394.1698, 394.447, 394.460, 23 394.465. 396.3295, 396.405, 396.525, 396.535, 396.9685. 398A.115, 408.3885, 408.3886, 408.3888, 408.5484, 412.153, 24 414.280, 416.070, 422.2749, 422.305, 422A.342, 422A.350, 25 26 425.400, 427A.1236, 427A.872, 432.028, 432.205, 432B.175, 27 432B.280, 432B.290, 432B.407, 432B.430, 432B.560, 432B.5902, 28 432C.140, 432C.150, 433.534, 433A.360, 437.145, 437.207, 439.4941, 439.840, 439.914, 439B.420, 439B.754, 439B.760, 29 440.170, 441A.195, 441A.220, 441A.230, 442.330, 30 442.395. 442.735, 442.774, 445A.665, 445B.570, 445B.7773, 447.345, 31 449.209, 449.245, 449.4315, 449A.112, 450.140, 450B.188, 32 33 453.164, 453.720, 453A.610, 453A.700, 458.055, 458.280, 459.050, 459.3866, 459.555, 459.7056, 459.846, 463.120, 463.15993, 34 35 463.240, 463.3403, 463.3407, 463.790, 467.1005, 480.535, 480.545, 36 480.935, 480.940, 481.063, 481.091, 481.093, 482.170, 482.5536, 37 483.340, 483.363, 483.575, 483.659, 483.800, 484A.469, 484E.070, 485.316, 501.344, 503.452, 522.040, 534A.031, 561.285, 571.160, 38 587.877, 598.0964, 598.098, 598A.110, 599B.090, 39 584.655, 603.070, 603A.210, 604A.303, 604A.710, 612.265, 616B.012, 40 616B.015, 616B.315, 616B.350, 618.341, 618.425, 622.238, 41 42 622.310, 623.131, 623A.137, 624.110, 624.265, 624.327, 625.425, 43 625A.185, 628.418, 628B.230, 628B.760, 629.047, 629.069, 630.133, 630.2673, 630.30665, 630.336, 630A.555, 631.368, 44 632.121, 632.125, 632.3415, 632.405, 633.283, 633.301, 633.4715, 45



633.524, 634.055, 634.214, 634A.185, 635.158, 636.107, 637.085, 1 2 639.2485, 637B.288. 638.087. 638.089. 639.570. 640.075. 640A.220, 640B.730, 640C.580, 640C.600, 640C.620, 640C.745, 3 640C.760, 640D.190, 640E.340, 641.090, 641.221, 641.325, 4 5 641A.191, 641A.262, 641A.289, 641B.170, 641B.282, 641B.460, 641C.760, 641C.800, 642.524, 643.189, 644A.870, 6 645,180. 7 645.625, 645A.050, 645A.082, 645B.060, 645B.092, 645C.220, 8 645C.225, 645D.130, 645D.135, 645G.510, 645H.320, 645H.330, 647.0945, 647.0947, 648.033, 648.197, 649.065, 649.067, 652.228, 9 653.900, 654.110, 656.105, 657A.510, 661.115, 665.130, 665.133, 10 669.275, 669.285, 669A.310, 671.170, 673.450, 673.480, 675.380, 11 12 676A.340, 676A.370, 677.243, 678A.470, 678C.710, 678C.800, 13 679B.122, 679B.124, 679B.152, 679B.159, 679B.190, 679B.285, 679B.690, 680A.270, 681A.440, 681B.260, 681B.410, 681B.540, 14 683A.0873, 685A.077, 686A.289, 686B.170, 686C.306, 687A.110, 15 16 687A.115, 687C.010, 688C.230, 688C.480, 688C.490, 689A.696, 17 692A.117. 692C.190, 692C.3507, 692C.3536, 692C.3538, 692C.354, 692C.420, 693A.480, 693A.615, 696B.550, 696C.120, 18 703.196, 704B.325, 706.1725, 706A.230, 710.159, 711.600 H and 19 20 sections 5, 9, 12 to 20, inclusive, and 22 to 36, inclusive, of this 21 act, sections 35, 38 and 41 of chapter 478, Statutes of Nevada 2011 22 and section 2 of chapter 391, Statutes of Nevada 2013 and unless 23 otherwise declared by law to be confidential, all public books and 24 public records of a governmental entity must be open at all times during office hours to inspection by any person, and may be fully 25 26 copied or an abstract or memorandum may be prepared from those 27 public books and public records. Any such copies, abstracts or 28 memoranda may be used to supply the general public with copies, 29 abstracts or memoranda of the records or may be used in any other 30 way to the advantage of the governmental entity or of the general public. This section does not supersede or in any manner affect the 31 32 federal laws governing copyrights or enlarge, diminish or affect in 33 any other manner the rights of a person in any written book or record which is copyrighted pursuant to federal law. 34

2. A governmental entity may not reject a book or record which is copyrighted solely because it is copyrighted.

37 3. A governmental entity that has legal custody or control of a 38 public book or record shall not deny a request made pursuant to 39 subsection 1 to inspect or copy or receive a copy of a public book or 40 record on the basis that the requested public book or record contains information that is confidential if the governmental entity can 41 42 redact, delete, conceal or separate, including, without limitation, 43 electronically, the confidential information from the information 44 included in the public book or record that is not otherwise 45 confidential.





4. If requested, a governmental entity shall provide a copy of a
public record in an electronic format by means of an electronic
medium. Nothing in this subsection requires a governmental entity
to provide a copy of a public record in an electronic format or by
means of an electronic medium if:

- 6 (a) The public record:
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(1) Was not created or prepared in an electronic format; and

(2) Is not available in an electronic format; or

9 (b) Providing the public record in an electronic format or by 10 means of an electronic medium would:

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(1) Give access to proprietary software; or

12 (2) Require the production of information that is confidential 13 and that cannot be redacted, deleted, concealed or separated from 14 information that is not otherwise confidential.

15 5. An officer, employee or agent of a governmental entity who 16 has legal custody or control of a public record:

(a) Shall not refuse to provide a copy of that public record in the
medium that is requested because the officer, employee or agent has
already prepared or would prefer to provide the copy in a different
medium.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 239.030, shall, upon
request, prepare the copy of the public record and shall not require
the person who has requested the copy to prepare the copy himself
or herself.

Sec. 11. NRS 437.060 is hereby amended to read as follows:

437.060 The provisions of this chapter do not apply to:

1. A physician who is licensed to practice in this State;

28 2. A person who is licensed to practice dentistry in this State;

29 3. A person who is licensed as a psychologist pursuant to 30 chapter 641 of NRS;

4. A person who is licensed as a marriage and family therapist
or marriage and family therapist intern pursuant to chapter 641A of
NRS;

5. A person who is licensed as a clinical professional counselor or clinical professional counselor intern pursuant to chapter 641A of NRS;

6. A person who is licensed to engage in social work pursuant
to chapter 641B of NRS;

7. A person who is licensed as an occupational therapist or occupational therapy assistant pursuant to NRS 640A.010 to 640A.230, inclusive [;], *and section 26 of this act;*

42 8. A person who is licensed as a clinical alcohol and drug 43 counselor, licensed or certified as an alcohol and drug counselor or 44 certified as an alcohol and drug counselor intern, a clinical alcohol 45 and drug counselor intern, a problem gambling counselor or a





1 problem gambling counselor intern, pursuant to chapter 641C of 2 **NRS**: 3

9. Any member of the clergy;

10. A family member of a recipient of applied behavior 4 5 analysis services who performs activities as directed by a behavior 6 analyst or assistant behavior analyst; or

7 11. A person who provides applied behavior analysis services 8 to a pupil in a public school in a manner consistent with the training 9 and experience of the person,

10 → if such a person does not commit an act described in NRS 11 437.510 or represent himself or herself as a behavior analyst, 12 assistant behavior analyst or registered behavior technician.

13 **Sec. 12.** Chapter 630 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to read as follows: 14

15 1. The Board shall:

(a) Request each applicant for a biennial registration pursuant 16 to NRS 630.267 or the renewal of a license pursuant to this 17 18 chapter to provide the information described in section 5 of this 19 act to the Board; and

20 (b) Submit the information provided pursuant to paragraph (a) 21 to the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services 22 or his or her designee on or before the dates prescribed by the Director pursuant to section 8 of this act for inclusion in the 23 24 database established pursuant to section 5 of this act.

25 2. The information provided by an applicant for a biennial 26 registration or the renewal of a license pursuant to subsection 1 is 27 confidential and, except as required by subsection 1, must not be 28 disclosed to any person or entity.

29 3. An applicant for a biennial registration or the renewal of a 30 license is not required to respond to a request pursuant to subsection 1 and is not subject to disciplinary action, including, 31 32 without limitation, refusal to issue the biennial registration or 33 renew the license, for failure to do so.

34 The Board shall not use any information provided by an 4. 35 applicant for a biennial registration or the renewal of a license pursuant to subsection 1 when determining whether to issue the 36 37 biennial registration or renew the license. This subsection must not be construed to restrict the ability of the Board to use 38 information collected through other means, including, without 39 40 limitation, information that is similar or identical to information provided pursuant to subsection 1, when making such a 41 42 determination.





Sec. 13. Chapter 630A of NRS is hereby amended by adding 1 2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 The Board may request each applicant for the renewal of a 1. license or certificate pursuant to this chapter to provide the 4 5 information described in section 5 of this act to the Board. If the Board does so, the Board must submit the information to the 6 7 Director of the Department of Health and Human Services or his 8 or her designee for inclusion in the database established pursuant 9 to section 5 of this act.

10 The information provided by an applicant for the renewal *2*. 11 of a license or certificate pursuant to subsection 1 is confidential 12 and, except as required by subsection 1, must not be disclosed to 13 any person or entity.

An applicant for the renewal of a license or certificate is 14 3. 15 not required to respond to a request pursuant to subsection 1 and is not subject to disciplinary action, including, without limitation, 16 refusal to renew the license or certificate, for failure to do so. 17

18 4. The Board shall not use any information provided by an applicant for the renewal of a license or certificate pursuant to 19 20 subsection 1 when determining whether to renew the license or 21 certificate. This subsection must not be construed to restrict the 22 ability of the Board to use information collected through other 23 means, including, without limitation, information that is similar or 24 identical to information provided pursuant to subsection 1, when 25 making such a determination.

26 **Sec. 14.** Chapter 631 of NRS is hereby amended by adding 27 thereto a new section to read as follows: 28

1. The Board shall:

29 (a) Request each applicant for the renewal of a license pursuant to this chapter to provide the information described in 30 section 5 of this act to the Board; and 31

32 (b) Submit the information provided pursuant to paragraph (a) 33 to the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services or his or her designee on or before the dates prescribed by the 34 Director pursuant to section 8 of this act for inclusion in the 35 database established pursuant to section 5 of this act. 36

37 2. The information provided by an applicant for the renewal of a license pursuant to subsection 1 is confidential and, except as 38 required by subsection 1, must not be disclosed to any person or 39 40 entity.

41 An applicant for the renewal of a license is not required to **3.** 42 respond to a request pursuant to subsection 1 and is not subject to 43 disciplinary action, including, without limitation, refusal to renew 44 the license, for failure to do so.



The Board shall not use any information provided by an 1 4. 2 applicant for the renewal of a license pursuant to subsection 1 3 when determining whether to renew the license. This subsection must not be construed to restrict the ability of the Board to use 4 5 information collected through other means, including, without 6 limitation, information that is similar or identical to information 7 provided pursuant to subsection 1, when making such a 8 determination.

9 **Sec. 15.** Chapter 632 of NRS is hereby amended by adding 10 thereto a new section to read as follows:

11 1. The Board shall:

(a) Request each applicant for the renewal of a license or
 certificate pursuant to this chapter to provide the information
 described in section 5 of this act to the Board; and

(b) Submit the information provided pursuant to paragraph (a)
to the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services
or his or her designee on or before the dates prescribed by the
Director pursuant to section 8 of this act for inclusion in the
database established pursuant to section 5 of this act.

20 2. The information provided by an applicant for the renewal 21 of a license or certificate pursuant to subsection 1 is confidential 22 and, except as required by subsection 1, must not be disclosed to 23 any person or entity.

3. An applicant for the renewal of a license or certificate is
not required to respond to a request pursuant to subsection 1 and
is not subject to disciplinary action, including, without limitation,
refusal to renew the license or certificate, for failure to do so.

28 4. The Board shall not use any information provided by an 29 applicant for the renewal of a license or certificate pursuant to 30 subsection 1 when determining whether to renew the license or certificate. This subsection must not be construed to restrict the 31 32 ability of the Board to use information collected through other 33 means, including, without limitation, information that is similar or identical to information provided pursuant to subsection 1, when 34 making such a determination. 35

36 **Sec. 16.** Chapter 633 of NRS is hereby amended by adding 37 thereto a new section to read as follows:

38 1. The Board shall:

39 (a) Request each applicant for the renewal of a license
40 pursuant to this chapter to provide the information described in
41 section 5 of this act to the Board; and

42 (b) Submit the information provided pursuant to paragraph (a) 43 to the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services 44 or his or her designee on or before the dates prescribed by the



1 Director pursuant to section 8 of this act for inclusion in the 2 database established pursuant to section 5 of this act.

3 2. The information provided by an applicant for the renewal 4 of a license pursuant to subsection 1 is confidential and, except as 5 required by subsection 1, must not be disclosed to any person or 6 entity.

7 3. An applicant for the renewal of a license is not required to
8 respond to a request pursuant to subsection 1 and is not subject to
9 disciplinary action, including, without limitation, refusal to renew
10 the license, for failure to do so.

11 The Board shall not use any information provided by an 4. 12 applicant for the renewal of a license pursuant to subsection 1 13 when determining whether to renew the license. This subsection 14 must not be construed to restrict the ability of the Board to use information collected through other means, including, without 15 limitation, information that is similar or identical to information 16 provided pursuant to subsection 1, when making such a 17 determination. 18

19 **Sec. 17.** Chapter 634 of NRS is hereby amended by adding 20 thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. The Board may request each applicant for the renewal of a license or certificate pursuant to this chapter to provide the information described in section 5 of this act to the Board. If the Board does so, the Board must submit the information to the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services or his or her designee for inclusion in the database established pursuant to section 5 of this act.

28 2. The information provided by an applicant for the renewal 29 of a license or certificate pursuant to subsection 1 is confidential 30 and, except as required by subsection 1, must not be disclosed to 31 any person or entity.

32 3. An applicant for the renewal of a license or certificate is
33 not required to respond to a request pursuant to subsection 1 and
34 is not subject to disciplinary action, including, without limitation,
35 refusal to renew the license or certificate, for failure to do so.

36 The Board shall not use any information provided by an 4. 37 applicant for the renewal of a license or certificate pursuant to subsection 1 when determining whether to renew the license or 38 certificate. This subsection must not be construed to restrict the 39 ability of the Board to use information collected through other 40 means, including, without limitation, information that is similar or 41 42 identical to information provided pursuant to subsection 1, when 43 making such a determination.





1 **Sec. 18.** Chapter 634A of NRS is hereby amended by adding 2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 1. The Board may request each applicant for the renewal of a 4 license pursuant to this chapter to provide the information 5 described in section 5 of this act to the Board. If the Board does 6 so, the Board must submit the information to the Director of the 7 Department of Health and Human Services or his or her designee 8 for inclusion in the database established pursuant to section 5 of 9 this act.

10 2. The information provided by an applicant for the renewal 11 of a license pursuant to subsection 1 is confidential and, except as 12 required by subsection 1, must not be disclosed to any person or 13 entity.

An applicant for the renewal of a license is not required to
respond to a request pursuant to subsection 1 and is not subject to
disciplinary action, including, without limitation, refusal to renew
the license, for failure to do so.

18 The Board shall not use any information provided by an 4. applicant for the renewal of a license pursuant to subsection 1 19 20 when determining whether to renew the license. This subsection must not be construed to restrict the ability of the Board to use 21 information collected through other means, including, without 22 23 limitation, information that is similar or identical to information 24 provided pursuant to subsection 1, when making such a 25 determination.

26 **Sec. 19.** Chapter 635 of NRS is hereby amended by adding 27 thereto a new section to read as follows:

The Board may request each applicant for the renewal of a
 license pursuant to this chapter to provide the information
 described in section 5 of this act to the Board. If the Board does
 so, the Board must submit the information to the Director of the
 Department of Health and Human Services or his or her designee
 for inclusion in the database established pursuant to section 5 of
 this act.

2. The information provided by an applicant for the renewal
of a license pursuant to subsection 1 is confidential and, except as
required by subsection 1, must not be disclosed to any person or
entity.

39 3. An applicant for the renewal of a license is not required to 40 respond to a request pursuant to subsection 1 and is not subject to 41 disciplinary action, including, without limitation, refusal to renew 42 the license, for failure to do so.

43 4. The Board shall not use any information provided by an
44 applicant for the renewal of a license pursuant to subsection 1
45 when determining whether to renew the license. This subsection





1 must not be construed to restrict the ability of the Board to use

2 information collected through other means, including, without 3 limitation, information that is similar or identical to information

3 limitation, information that is similar or identical to information 4 provided pursuant to subsection 1, when making such a 5 determination.

6 **Sec. 20.** Chapter 636 of NRS is hereby amended by adding 7 thereto a new section to read as follows:

8 1. The Board may request each applicant for the renewal of a 9 license pursuant to this chapter to provide the information 10 described in section 5 of this act to the Board. If the Board does 11 so, the Board must submit the information to the Director of the 12 Department of Health and Human Services or his or her designee 13 for inclusion in the database established pursuant to section 5 of 14 this act.

15 2. The information provided by an applicant for the renewal 16 of a license pursuant to subsection 1 is confidential and, except as 17 required by subsection 1, must not be disclosed to any person or 18 entity.

19 3. An applicant for the renewal of a license is not required to 20 respond to a request pursuant to subsection 1 and is not subject to 21 disciplinary action, including, without limitation, refusal to renew 22 the license, for failure to do so.

23 The Board shall not use any information provided by an 4. 24 applicant for the renewal of a license pursuant to subsection 1 25 when determining whether to renew the license. This subsection 26 must not be construed to restrict the ability of the Board to use 27 information collected through other means, including, without 28 limitation, information that is similar or identical to information 29 provided pursuant to subsection 1, when making such a 30 determination.

31 Sec. 21. NRS 636.250 is hereby amended to read as follows:

636.250 A license issued under this chapter or any former law
must be renewed pursuant to the provisions of NRS 636.250 to
636.285, inclusive, *and section 20 of this act* before March 1 of
each even-numbered year.

36 Sec. 22. Chapter 637 of NRS is hereby amended by adding 37 thereto a new section to read as follows:

38 1. The Board may request each applicant for the renewal of a 39 license pursuant to this chapter to provide the information 40 described in section 5 of this act to the Board. If the Board does 41 so, the Board must submit the information to the Director of the

42 Department of Health and Human Services or his or her designee

43 for inclusion in the database established pursuant to section 5 of

44 *this act.*





1 2. The information provided by an applicant for the renewal 2 of a license pursuant to subsection 1 is confidential and, except as 3 required by subsection 1, must not be disclosed to any person or 4 entity.

5 3. An applicant for the renewal of a license is not required to 6 respond to a request pursuant to subsection 1 and is not subject to 7 disciplinary action, including, without limitation, refusal to renew 8 the license, for failure to do so.

9 The Board shall not use any information provided by an 4. applicant for the renewal of a license pursuant to subsection 1 10 when determining whether to renew the license. This subsection 11 12 must not be construed to restrict the ability of the Board to use 13 information collected through other means, including, without 14 limitation, information that is similar or identical to information 15 provided pursuant to subsection 1, when making such a 16 determination.

17 Sec. 23. Chapter 637B of NRS is hereby amended by adding 18 thereto a new section to read as follows:

19 1. The Board may request each applicant for the renewal of a 20 license pursuant to this chapter to provide the information 21 described in section 5 of this act to the Board. If the Board does 22 so, the Board must submit the information to the Director of the 23 Department of Health and Human Services or his or her designee 24 for inclusion in the database established pursuant to section 5 of 25 this act.

26 2. The information provided by an applicant for the renewal 27 of a license pursuant to subsection 1 is confidential and, except as 28 required by subsection 1, must not be disclosed to any person or 29 entity.

30 3. An applicant for the renewal of a license is not required to 31 respond to a request pursuant to subsection 1 and is not subject to 32 disciplinary action, including, without limitation, refusal to renew 33 the license, for failure to do so.

The Board shall not use any information provided by an 34 4. applicant for the renewal of a license pursuant to subsection 1 35 when determining whether to renew the license. This subsection 36 must not be construed to restrict the ability of the Board to use 37 information collected through other means, including, without 38 limitation, information that is similar or identical to information 39 provided pursuant to subsection 1, when making such a 40 determination. 41

42 **Sec. 24.** Chapter 639 of NRS is hereby amended by adding 43 thereto a new section to read as follows:

44 1. The Board shall:





(a) Request each applicant for the renewal of registration as a
 pharmacist, intern pharmacist, pharmaceutical technician or
 pharmaceutical technician in training to provide the information
 described in section 5 of this act to the Board; and

5 (b) Submit the information provided pursuant to paragraph (a) 6 to the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services 7 or his or her designee on or before the dates prescribed by the 8 Director pursuant to section 8 of this act for inclusion in the 9 database established pursuant to section 5 of this act.

10 2. The information provided by an applicant for the renewal 11 of a registration pursuant to subsection 1 is confidential and, 12 except as required by subsection 1, must not be disclosed to any 13 person or entity.

14 3. An applicant for the renewal of a registration is not 15 required to respond to a request pursuant to subsection 1 and is 16 not subject to disciplinary action, including, without limitation, 17 refusal to renew the registration, for failure to do so.

18 The Board shall not use any information provided by an 4. applicant for the renewal of a registration pursuant to subsection 19 20 1 when determining whether to renew the registration. This 21 subsection must not be construed to restrict the ability of the 22 Board to use information collected through other means, 23 including, without limitation, information that is similar or 24 identical to information provided pursuant to subsection 1, when 25 making such a determination.

26 **Sec. 25.** Chapter 640 of NRS is hereby amended by adding 27 thereto a new section to read as follows:

The Board may request each applicant for the renewal of a
 license pursuant to this chapter to provide the information
 described in section 5 of this act to the Board. If the Board does
 so, the Board must submit the information to the Director of the
 Department of Health and Human Services or his or her designee
 for inclusion in the database established pursuant to section 5 of
 this act.

2. The information provided by an applicant for the renewal
of a license pursuant to subsection 1 is confidential and, except as
required by subsection 1, must not be disclosed to any person or
entity.

39 3. An applicant for the renewal of a license is not required to 40 respond to a request pursuant to subsection 1 and is not subject to 41 disciplinary action, including, without limitation, refusal to renew 42 the license, for failure to do so.

43 4. The Board shall not use any information provided by an
44 applicant for the renewal of a license pursuant to subsection 1
45 when determining whether to renew the license. This subsection





1 must not be construed to restrict the ability of the Board to use

2 information collected through other means, including, without

3 limitation, information that is similar or identical to information 4 provided pursuant to subsection 1, when making such a 5 determination.

6 **Sec. 26.** Chapter 640A of NRS is hereby amended by adding 7 thereto a new section to read as follows:

8 1. The Board may request each applicant for the renewal of a 9 license pursuant to this chapter to provide the information 10 described in section 5 of this act to the Board. If the Board does 11 so, the Board must submit the information to the Director of the 12 Department of Health and Human Services or his or her designee 13 for inclusion in the database established pursuant to section 5 of 14 this act.

15 2. The information provided by an applicant for the renewal 16 of a license pursuant to subsection 1 is confidential and, except as 17 required by subsection 1, must not be disclosed to any person or 18 entity.

19 3. An applicant for the renewal of a license is not required to 20 respond to a request pursuant to subsection 1 and is not subject to 21 disciplinary action, including, without limitation, refusal to renew 22 the license, for failure to do so.

23 The Board shall not use any information provided by an 4. 24 applicant for the renewal of a license pursuant to subsection 1 25 when determining whether to renew the license. This subsection 26 must not be construed to restrict the ability of the Board to use 27 information collected through other means, including, without 28 limitation, information that is similar or identical to information 29 provided pursuant to subsection 1, when making such a 30 determination.

31 **Sec. 27.** Chapter 640B of NRS is hereby amended by adding 32 thereto a new section to read as follows:

The Board may request each applicant for the renewal of a
 license pursuant to this chapter to provide the information
 described in section 5 of this act to the Board. If the Board does
 so, the Board must submit the information to the Director of the
 Department of Health and Human Services or his or her designee
 for inclusion in the database established pursuant to section 5 of
 this act.

40 2. The information provided by an applicant for the renewal 41 of a license pursuant to subsection 1 is confidential and, except as 42 required by subsection 1, must not be disclosed to any person or 43 entity.

44 3. An applicant for the renewal of a license is not required to 45 respond to a request pursuant to subsection 1 and is not subject to





disciplinary action, including, without limitation, refusal to renew
 the license, for failure to do so.

3 4. The Board shall not use any information provided by an 4 applicant for the renewal of a license pursuant to subsection 1 when determining whether to renew the license. This subsection 5 6 must not be construed to restrict the ability of the Board to use information collected through other means, including, without 7 8 limitation, information that is similar or identical to information provided pursuant to subsection 1, when making such a 9 determination. 10

11 Sec. 28. Chapter 640D of NRS is hereby amended by adding 12 thereto a new section to read as follows:

13 1. The Board may request each applicant for the renewal of a 14 license pursuant to this chapter to provide the information 15 described in section 5 of this act to the Board. If the Board does 16 so, the Board must submit the information to the Director of the 17 Department of Health and Human Services or his or her designee 18 for inclusion in the database established pursuant to section 5 of 19 this act.

20 2. The information provided by an applicant for the renewal 21 of a license pursuant to subsection 1 is confidential and, except as 22 required by subsection 1, must not be disclosed to any person or 23 entity.

3. An applicant for the renewal of a license is not required to
respond to a request pursuant to subsection 1 and is not subject to
disciplinary action, including, without limitation, refusal to renew
the license, for failure to do so.

28 4. The Board shall not use any information provided by an 29 applicant for the renewal of a license pursuant to subsection 1 30 when determining whether to renew the license. This subsection must not be construed to restrict the ability of the Board to use 31 32 information collected through other means, including, without 33 limitation, information that is similar or identical to information provided pursuant to subsection 1, when making such a 34 35 determination.

36 **Sec. 29.** Chapter 640E of NRS is hereby amended by adding 37 thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. The Board may request each applicant for the renewal of a license pursuant to this chapter to provide the information described in section 5 of this act to the Board. If the Board does so, the Board must submit the information to the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services or his or her designee for inclusion in the database established pursuant to section 5 of

44 *this act.*





1 2. The information provided by an applicant for the renewal 2 of a license pursuant to subsection 1 is confidential and, except as 3 required by subsection 1, must not be disclosed to any person or 4 entity.

5 3. An applicant for the renewal of a license is not required to 6 respond to a request pursuant to subsection 1 and is not subject to 7 disciplinary action, including, without limitation, refusal to renew 8 the license, for failure to do so.

9 The Board shall not use any information provided by an 4. applicant for the renewal of a license pursuant to subsection 1 10 when determining whether to renew the license. This subsection 11 12 must not be construed to restrict the ability of the Board to use 13 information collected through other means, including, without 14 limitation, information that is similar or identical to information 15 provided pursuant to subsection 1, when making such a 16 determination.

17 Sec. 30. Chapter 641 of NRS is hereby amended by adding 18 thereto a new section to read as follows:

19 1. The Board shall:

(a) Request each applicant for the renewal of a license or
 registration pursuant to this chapter to provide the information
 described in section 5 of this act to the Board; and

(b) Submit the information provided pursuant to paragraph (a)
to the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services
or his or her designee on or before the dates prescribed by the
Director pursuant to section 8 of this act for inclusion in the
database established pursuant to section 5 of this act.

28 2. The information provided by an applicant for the renewal 29 of a license or registration pursuant to subsection 1 is confidential 30 and, except as required by subsection 1, must not be disclosed to 31 any person or entity.

32 3. An applicant for the renewal of a license or registration is 33 not required to respond to a request pursuant to subsection 1 and 34 is not subject to disciplinary action, including, without limitation, 35 refusal to renew the license or registration, for failure to do so.

36 The Board shall not use any information provided by an 37 applicant for the renewal of a license or registration pursuant to subsection 1 when determining whether to renew the license or 38 registration. This subsection must not be construed to restrict the 39 40 ability of the Board to use information collected through other means, including, without limitation, information that is similar or 41 42 identical to information provided pursuant to subsection 1, when 43 making such a determination.

44 Sec. 31. NRS 641.029 is hereby amended to read as follows:
45 641.029 The provisions of this chapter do not apply to:





1 1. A physician who is licensed to practice in this State; 2

2. A person who is licensed to practice dentistry in this State;

3 3. A person who is licensed as a marriage and family therapist 4 or marriage and family therapist intern pursuant to chapter 641A of 5 NRS:

6 4. A person who is licensed as a clinical professional counselor 7 or clinical professional counselor intern pursuant to chapter 641A of NRS: 8

9 5. A person who is licensed to engage in social work pursuant 10 to chapter 641B of NRS;

A person who is licensed as an occupational therapist or 11 6. 12 occupational therapy assistant pursuant to NRS 640A.010 to 13 640A.230, inclusive [;], and section 26 of this act;

14 7. A person who is licensed as a clinical alcohol and drug 15 counselor, licensed or certified as an alcohol and drug counselor or 16 certified as an alcohol and drug counselor intern, a clinical alcohol 17 and drug counselor intern, a problem gambling counselor or a 18 problem gambling counselor intern, pursuant to chapter 641C of 19 NRS:

20 8. A person who is licensed as a behavior analyst or an 21 assistant behavior analyst or registered as a registered behavior 22 technician pursuant to chapter 437 of NRS, while engaged in the 23 practice of applied behavior analysis as defined in NRS 437.040; or

24 Any member of the clergy, 9.

25 → if such a person does not commit an act described in NRS 26 641.440 or represent himself or herself as a psychologist.

27 **Sec. 32.** Chapter 641A of NRS is hereby amended by adding 28 thereto a new section to read as follows: 29

1. The Board shall:

(a) Request each applicant for the renewal of a license 30 31 pursuant to this chapter to provide the information described in 32 section 5 of this act to the Board; and

33 (b) Submit the information provided pursuant to paragraph (a) to the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services 34 35 or his or her designee on or before the dates prescribed by the Director pursuant to section 8 of this act for inclusion in the 36 37 database established pursuant to section 5 of this act.

38 2. The information provided by an applicant for the renewal of a license pursuant to subsection 1 is confidential and, except as 39 40 required by subsection 1, must not be disclosed to any person or 41 entity.

42 3. An applicant for the renewal of a license is not required to 43 respond to a request pursuant to subsection 1 and is not subject to 44 disciplinary action, including, without limitation, refusal to renew 45 the license, for failure to do so.





The Board shall not use any information provided by an 1 4. 2 applicant for the renewal of a license pursuant to subsection 1 3 when determining whether to renew the license. This subsection must not be construed to restrict the ability of the Board to use 4 5 information collected through other means, including, without limitation, information that is similar or identical to information 6 7 provided pursuant to subsection 1, when making such a 8 determination.

Sec. 33. Chapter 641B of NRS is hereby amended by adding 9 thereto a new section to read as follows: 10

11 The Board shall: 1.

12 (a) Request each applicant for the renewal of a license 13 pursuant to this chapter to provide the information described in 14 section 5 of this act to the Board: and

15 (b) Submit the information provided pursuant to paragraph (a) 16 to the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services 17 or his or her designee on or before the dates prescribed by the Director pursuant to section 8 of this act for inclusion in the 18 database established pursuant to section 5 of this act. 19

The information provided by an applicant for the renewal 20 2. 21 of a license pursuant to subsection 1 is confidential and, except as 22 required by subsection 1, must not be disclosed to any person or 23 entity.

24 3. An applicant for the renewal of a license is not required to 25 respond to a request pursuant to subsection 1 and is not subject to 26 disciplinary action, including, without limitation, refusal to renew 27 the license, for failure to do so.

28 4. The Board shall not use any information provided by an 29 applicant for the renewal of a license pursuant to subsection 1 30 when determining whether to renew the license. This subsection must not be construed to restrict the ability of the Board to use 31 32 information collected through other means, including, without limitation, information that is similar or identical to information 33 provided pursuant to subsection 1, when making such a 34 35 determination.

36 Sec. 34. NRS 641B.040 is hereby amended to read as follows: 37 641B.040 The provisions of this chapter do not apply to:

38 1. A physician who is licensed to practice in this State;

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2. A nurse who is licensed to practice in this State;

40 3. A person who is licensed as a psychologist pursuant to chapter 641 of NRS or authorized to practice psychology in this 41 42 State pursuant to the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact 43 enacted in NRS 641.227;





1 4. A person who is licensed as a marriage and family therapist 2 or marriage and family therapist intern pursuant to chapter 641A of 3 NRS;

5. A person who is licensed as a clinical professional counselor or clinical professional counselor intern pursuant to chapter 641A of NRS;

7 6. A person who is licensed as an occupational therapist or 8 occupational therapy assistant pursuant to NRS 640A.010 to 9 640A.230, inclusive [;], and section 26 of this act;

10 7. A person who is licensed as a clinical alcohol and drug 11 counselor, licensed or certified as an alcohol and drug counselor, or 12 certified as a clinical alcohol and drug counselor intern, an alcohol 13 and drug counselor intern, a problem gambling counselor or a 14 problem gambling counselor intern, pursuant to chapter 641C of 15 NRS;

16 8. Any member of the clergy;

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9. A county welfare director;

18 10. Any person who may engage in social work or clinical 19 social work in his or her regular governmental employment but does 20 not hold himself or herself out to the public as a social worker; or

21 A student of social work and any other person preparing for 11. 22 the profession of social work under the supervision of a qualified 23 social worker in a training institution or facility recognized by the 24 Board, unless the student or other person has been issued a 25 provisional license pursuant to paragraph (b) of subsection 1 of NRS 26 641B.275. Such a student must be designated by the title "student of 27 social work" or "trainee in social work," or any other title which 28 clearly indicates the student's training status.

29 Sec. 35. Chapter 641C of NRS is hereby amended by adding 30 thereto a new section to read as follows:

1. The Board may request each applicant for the renewal of a license or certificate pursuant to this chapter to provide the information described in section 5 of this act to the Board. If the Board does so, the Board must submit the information to the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services or his or her designee for inclusion in the database established pursuant to section 5 of this act.

2. The information provided by an applicant for the renewal
of a license or certificate pursuant to subsection 1 is confidential
and, except as required by subsection 1, must not be disclosed to
any person or entity.

An applicant for the renewal of a license or certificate is
not required to respond to a request pursuant to subsection 1 and
is not subject to disciplinary action, including, without limitation,
refusal to renew the license or certificate, for failure to do so.





The Board shall not use any information provided by an 1 4. 2 applicant for the renewal of a license or certificate pursuant to 3 subsection 1 when determining whether to renew the license or certificate. This subsection must not be construed to restrict the 4 5 ability of the Board to use information collected through other 6 means, including, without limitation, information that is similar or 7 identical to information provided pursuant to subsection 1, when 8 making such a determination.

9 Sec. 36. Chapter 652 of NRS is hereby amended by adding 10 thereto a new section to read as follows:

11 1. The Division may request each applicant who is a natural 12 person for the renewal of a license or certification pursuant to this 13 chapter to provide the information described in section 5 of this 14 act to the Division. If the Division does so, the Division must 15 submit the information to the Director of the Department of 16 Health and Human Services or his or her designee for inclusion 17 in the database established pursuant to section 5 of this act.

18 2. The information provided by an applicant for the renewal 19 of a license or certification pursuant to subsection 1 is confidential 20 and, except as required by subsection 1, must not be disclosed to 21 any person or entity.

3. An applicant for the renewal of a license or certification is
not required to respond to a request pursuant to subsection 1 and
is not subject to disciplinary action, including, without limitation,
refusal to renew the license or certification, for failure to do so.

26 The Division shall not use any information provided by an 4. 27 applicant for the renewal of a license or certification pursuant to 28 subsection 1 when determining whether to renew the license or 29 certification. This subsection must not be construed to restrict the 30 ability of the Division to use information collected through other means, including, without limitation, information that is similar or 31 32 identical to information provided pursuant to subsection 1, when 33 making such a determination.

34 **Sec. 37.** 1. The Health Care Workforce Working Group 35 established pursuant to section 6 of this act must hold its first 36 meeting not later than October 1, 2021.

37 The Board of Medical Examiners, the Board of Dental 2. 38 Examiners of Nevada, the State Board of Nursing, the State Board 39 of Osteopathic Medicine, the State Board of Pharmacy, the Board of 40 Psychological Examiners, the Board of Examiners for Marriage and Family Therapists and Clinical Professional Counselors and the 41 42 Board of Examiners for Social Workers shall begin collecting the 43 data required by section 12, 14, 15, 16, 24, 30, 32 or 33 of this act, as applicable, not later than July 1, 2022, or the date on which the 44 45 Director of the Department of Health and Human Services notifies





those boards that the database has been established pursuant to
 section 5 of this act and any necessary regulations have been
 adopted pursuant to section 8 of this act, whichever is earlier.

4 **Sec. 38.** The provisions of section 1 of NRS 218D.380 do not 5 apply to any provision of this act which adds or revises a 6 requirement to submit a report to the Legislature.

Sec. 39. Notwithstanding the provisions of NRS 218D.430 and 218D.435, a committee, other than the Assembly Standing Committee on Ways and Means and the Senate Standing Committee on Finance, may vote on this act before the expiration of the period prescribed for the return of a fiscal note in NRS 218D.475. This section applies retroactively from and after March 22, 2021.

13 Sec. 40. 1. This section becomes effective upon passage and 14 approval.

15 2. Sections 1 to 37, inclusive, of this act become effective:

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

19 (b) On July 1, 2021, for all other purposes.

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