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Committee: Judiciary

A BILL

FOR AN ACT relating to dangerous sex offender evaluations; to
amend section 83-174.02, Revised Statutes Cumulative
Supplement, 2006; to require an opinion on appropriate
treatment as prescribed; and to repeal the original
section.

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

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1 Section 1. Section 83-174.02, Revised Statutes Cumulative

- 2 Supplement, 2006, is amended to read:
- 3 83-174.02 (1) The Department of Correctional Services
- 4 shall order an evaluation of the following individuals by a mental
- 5 health professional to determine whether or not the individual is a
- 6 dangerous sex offender:
- 7 (a) Individuals who have been convicted of (i) sexual
- 8 assault of a child in the first degree pursuant to section
- 9 28-319.01 or (ii) sexual assault in the first degree pursuant to
- 10 section 28-319;
- 11 (b) Individuals who have been convicted of two or more
- 12 offenses requiring registration as a sex offender under section
- 13 29-4003 if one of the convictions was for any of the following
- 14 offenses: (i) Kidnapping of a minor pursuant to section 28-313,
- 15 except when the person is the parent of the minor and was not
- 16 convicted of any other offense; (ii) sexual assault in the first
- 17 degree pursuant to section 28-319 or sexual assault in the second
- 18 degree pursuant to section 28-320; (iii) sexual assault of a child
- 19 pursuant to section 28-320.01; (iv) sexual assault of a child in
- 20 the first degree pursuant to section 28-319.01; (v) sexual assault
- 21 of a child in the second or third degree pursuant to section
- 22 28-320.01; (vi) sexual assault of a vulnerable adult pursuant to
- 23 subdivision (1)(c) of section 28-386; (vii) incest of a minor
- 24 pursuant to section 28-703; (viii) visual depiction of sexually
- 25 explicit conduct of a child pursuant to section 28-1463.03; or (ix)

1 any offense that is substantially equivalent to an offense listed

- 2 in this section by any state, territory, commonwealth, or other
- 3 jurisdiction of the United States, by the United States Government,
- 4 or by court-martial or other military tribunal, notwithstanding a
- 5 procedure comparable in effect to that described in section 29-2264
- 6 or any other procedure to nullify a conviction other than by
- 7 pardon;
- 8 (c) Individuals convicted of a sex offense against a
- 9 minor who have refused to participate in or failed to successfully
- 10 complete the sex offender treatment program offered by the
- 11 Department of Correctional Services or the Department of Health
- 12 and Human Services during the term of incarceration. The failure to
- 13 successfully complete a treatment program due to time constraints
- 14 or the unavailability of treatment programming shall not constitute
- 15 a refusal to participate in treatment; and
- 16 (d) Individuals convicted of failure to comply with the
- 17 registration requirements of the Sex Offender Registration Act who
- 18 have previously been convicted for failure to comply with the
- 19 registration requirements of the act or a similar registration
- 20 requirement in another state.
- 21 (2) The evaluation required by this section shall be
- 22 ordered at least one hundred eighty days before the scheduled
- 23 release of the individual. Upon completion of the evaluation, and
- 24 not later than one hundred fifty days prior to the scheduled
- 25 release of the individual, the department shall send written

notice to the Attorney General, the county attorney of the county

- 2 where the offender is incarcerated, and the prosecuting county
- 3 attorney. The notice shall contain an affidavit of the mental
- 4 health professional describing his or her findings with respect
- 5 to whether or not the individual is a dangerous sex offender. If
- 6 the individual is determined to be a dangerous sex offender, the
- 7 mental health professional shall include with the affidavit his or
- 8 her opinion on what components should be included in appropriate
- 9 treatment for the individual.
- 10 Sec. 2. Original section 83-174.02, Revised Statutes
- 11 Cumulative Supplement, 2006, is repealed.