E AND R AMENDMENTS TO LB 677

Introduced by Larson, 40, Chairman Enrollment and Review

- 1 1. Strike the original sections and all amendments
- 2 thereto and insert the following new sections:
- 3 Section 1. Section 28-308, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 4 Supplement, 2010, is amended to read:
- 5 28-308 (1) A person commits the offense of assault in the
- 6 first degree if he or she intentionally or knowingly causes serious
- 7 bodily injury to another person.
- 8 (2) Assault in the first degree shall be a Class II
- 9 felony. A person who commits assault in the first degree on a
- 10 health care professional while the health care professional is
- 11 engaged in the performance of his or her official duties at a
- 12 hospital or a health clinic shall upon conviction be sentenced to
- 13 not less than two years' imprisonment.
- 14 Sec. 2. Section 28-309, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 15 Supplement, 2010, is amended to read:
- 16 28-309 (1) A person commits the offense of assault in the
- 17 second degree if he or she:
- 18 (a) Intentionally or knowingly causes bodily injury to
- 19 another person with a dangerous instrument;
- 20 (b) Recklessly causes serious bodily injury to another
- 21 person with a dangerous instrument; or
- 22 (c) Unlawfully strikes or wounds another (i) while
- 23 legally confined in a jail or an adult correctional or penal

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- 1 institution, (ii) while otherwise in legal custody of the
- 2 Department of Correctional Services, or (iii) while committed as a
- 3 dangerous sex offender under the Sex Offender Commitment Act.
- 4 (2) Assault in the second degree shall be a Class III
- 5 felony. A person who commits assault in the second degree on a
- 6 health care professional while the health care professional is
- 7 engaged in the performance of his or her official duties at a
- 8 hospital or a health clinic shall upon conviction be sentenced to
- 9 not less than one year's imprisonment.
- 10 Sec. 3. Section 28-310, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 11 Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 12 28-310 (1) A person commits the offense of assault in the
- 13 third degree if he:
- 14 (a) Intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly causes bodily
- 15 injury to another person; or
- 16 (b) Threatens another in a menacing manner.
- 17 (2) Assault in the third degree shall be a Class I
- 18 misdemeanor unless committed in a fight or scuffle entered into by
- 19 mutual consent, in which case it shall be a Class II misdemeanor.
- 20 (3) A person who commits assault in the third degree on
- 21 a health care professional while the health care professional is
- 22 engaged in the performance of his or her official duties at a
- 23 <u>hospital or a health clinic shall upon conviction be sentenced to</u>
- 24 not less than six months' imprisonment.
- 25 Sec. 4. For purposes of sections 28-308, 28-309, and
- 26 <u>28-310</u> and section 5 of this act:
- 27 (1) Health care professional means a physician or other

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- 1 health care practitioner who is licensed, certified, or registered
- 2 to perform specified health services consistent with state law who
- 3 practices at a hospital or a health clinic;
- 4 (2) Health clinic has the definition found in section
- 5 71-416; and
- 6 (3) Hospital has the definition found in section 71-419.
- 7 Sec. 5. Every hospital and health clinic shall display at
- 8 all times in a prominent place a printed sign with a minimum height
- 9 of twenty inches and a minimum width of fourteen inches, with each
- 10 letter to be a minimum of one-fourth inch in height, which shall
- 11 read as follows:
- 12 WARNING: ASSAULTING OR THREATENING IN A MENACING MANNER A
- 13 HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL WHO IS ENGAGED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF HIS
- 14 OR HER OFFICIAL DUTIES WILL RESULT IN MANDATORY IMPRISONMENT.
- 15 Sec. 6. Original section 28-310, Reissue Revised Statutes
- 16 of Nebraska, and sections 28-308 and 28-309, Revised Statutes
- 17 Cumulative Supplement, 2010, are repealed.
- 18 2. On page 1, line 5, strike "provider" and insert
- 19 "professional" and strike "a term" and insert "terms".