# LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA

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# LEGISLATIVE BILL 1035

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Committee: Judiciary

# A BILL

1	FOR AN ACT relating to handguns; to amend section 69-2409.01, Revised
2	Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to require reports
3	from the Nebraska State Patrol and the Department of
4	Health and Human Services regarding the agencies' records
5	of persons unable to purchase or possess handguns because
6	of disqualification or disability; and to repeal the
7	original section.
8	Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 69-2409.01, Section 1. Section Revised 2 Cumulative Supplement, 2012, is amended to read: 3 69-2409.01 (1) For purposes of sections 69-2401 69-2425, the Nebraska State Patrol shall be furnished with only such 4 5 information as may be necessary for the sole purpose of determining whether an individual is disqualified from purchasing or possessing a 6 7 handgun pursuant to state law or is subject to the disability 8 provisions of 18 U.S.C. 922(d)(4) and (g)(4). Such information shall be furnished by the Department of Health and Human Services. The 9 clerks of the various courts shall furnish to the Department of 10 Health and Human Services and Nebraska State Patrol, as soon as 11 12 practicable but within thirty days after an order of commitment or 13 discharge is issued or after removal of firearm-related disabilities 14 pursuant to section 71-963, all information necessary to set up and 15 maintain the data base required by this section. This information shall include (a) information regarding those persons who are 16 currently receiving mental health treatment pursuant to a commitment 17 order of a mental health board or who have been discharged, (b) 18 information regarding those persons who have been committed to 19 20 treatment pursuant to section 29-3702, and (c) information regarding those persons who have had firearm-related disabilities removed 21 pursuant to section 71-963. The mental health board shall notify the 22 23 Department of Health and Human Services and the Nebraska State Patrol when such disabilities have been removed. The Department of Health 24

and Human Services shall also maintain in the data base a listing of

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1 persons committed to treatment pursuant to section 29-3702. To ensure

- 2 the accuracy of the data base, any information maintained or
- 3 disclosed under this subsection shall be updated, corrected,
- 4 modified, or removed, as appropriate, and as soon as practicable,
- 5 from any data base that the state or federal government maintains and
- 6 makes available to the National Instant Criminal Background Check
- 7 System. The procedures for furnishing the information shall guarantee
- 8 that no information is released beyond what is necessary for purposes
- 9 of this section.
- 10 (2) In order to comply with sections 69-2401 and 69-2403
- 11 to 69-2408 and this section, the Nebraska State Patrol shall provide
- 12 to the chief of police or sheriff of an applicant's place of
- 13 residence or a licensee in the process of a criminal history record
- 14 check pursuant to section 69-2411 only the information regarding
- 15 whether or not the applicant is disqualified from purchasing or
- 16 possessing a handgun.
- 17 (3) Any person, agency, or mental health board
- 18 participating in good faith in the reporting or disclosure of records
- 19 and communications under this section is immune from any liability,
- 20 civil, criminal, or otherwise, that might result by reason of the
- 21 action.
- 22 (4) Any person who intentionally causes the Nebraska
- 23 State Patrol to request information pursuant to this section without
- 24 reasonable belief that the named individual has submitted a written
- 25 application under section 69-2404 or has completed a consent form

1 under section 69-2410 shall be guilty of a Class II misdemeanor in

- 2 addition to other civil or criminal liability under state or federal
- 3 law.
- 4 (5) The Nebraska State Patrol and the Department of
- 5 Health and Human Services shall report electronically to the Clerk of
- 6 the Legislature on a biannual basis the following information about
- 7 the data base: (a) The number of total records of persons unable to
- 8 purchase or possess handguns because of disqualification or
- 9 disability shared with the National Instant Criminal Background Check
- 10 System; (b) the number of shared records by category of such persons;
- 11 (c) the change in number of total shared records and change in number
- 12 of records by category from the previous six months; (d) the number
- 13 of records existing but not able to be shared with the National
- 14 Instant Criminal Background Check System because the record was
- incomplete and unable to be accepted by the National Instant Criminal
- 16 Background Check System; and (e) the number of hours or days, if any,
- 17 during which the data base was unable to share records with the
- 18 National Instant Criminal Background Check System and the reason for
- 19 such inability. The report shall also be published on the web sites
- 20 of the Nebraska State Patrol and the Department of Health and Human
- 21 <u>Services.</u>
- 22 Sec. 2. Original section 69-2409.01, Revised Statutes
- 23 Cumulative Supplement, 2012, is repealed.