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Committee: Judiciary

A BILL

- FOR AN ACT relating to the Child Protection Act; to amend section 28-711, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to change provisions relating to reporting; and to repeal the original section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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1 Section 1. Section 28-711, Revised Statutes Cumulative 2 Supplement, 2012, is amended to read: 3 28-711 (1) When any physician, any medical institution, any nurse, any school employee, any social worker, the Inspector 4 5 General appointed under section 43-4317, or any other person has reasonable cause to believe that a child has been subjected to child 6 7 abuse or neglect or observes such child being subjected to conditions 8 or circumstances which reasonably would result in child abuse or 9 neglect, he or she shall report such incident or cause a report of child abuse or neglect to be made to a school administrator, to the 10 chief administrative officer of a school, to the proper law 11 12 enforcement agency, or to the department on the toll-free number 13 established by subsection (2) of this section. Such report may be 14 made orally by telephone with the caller giving his or her name and address, shall be followed by a written report, and to the extent 15 available shall contain the address and age of the abused or 16 neglected child, the address of the person or persons having custody 17 of the abused or neglected child, the nature and extent of the child 18 abuse or neglect or the conditions and circumstances which would 19 20 reasonably result in such child abuse or neglect, any evidence of 21 previous child abuse or neglect including the nature and extent, and any other information which in the opinion of the person may be 22 23 helpful in establishing the cause of such child abuse or neglect and the identity of the perpetrator or perpetrators. Law enforcement 24

agencies, school administrators, or school chief administrative

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1 officers receiving any reports of child abuse or neglect under this

- 2 subsection shall notify the department pursuant to section 28-718 on
- 3 the next working day by telephone or mail.
- 4 (2) The department shall establish a statewide toll-free
- 5 number to be used by any person any hour of the day or night, any day
- 6 of the week, to make reports of child abuse or neglect. Reports of
- 7 child abuse or neglect not previously made to or by a law enforcement
- 8 agency shall be made immediately to such agency by the department.
- 9 (3) For purposes of this section, school administrator
- means administrator as defined in section 79-101.
- 11 Sec. 2. Original section 28-711, Revised Statutes
- 12 Cumulative Supplement, 2012, is repealed.