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- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to vital statistics; to amend section 71-615,
- 2 Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2014; to create a reporting
- 3 requirement when parenting time is established or modified; and to
- 4 repeal the original section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 71-615, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,

- 2 2014, is amended to read:
- 3 71-615 (1) On or before the fifth day of each month, the clerk of
- 4 the district court of each county shall make and return to the
- 5 department, upon suitable forms furnished by the department, a statement
- 6 of each action for annulment or dissolution of marriage granted in the
- 7 court of which he or she is clerk during the preceding calendar month.
- 8 The information requested by the department shall be furnished by the
- 9 plaintiff or his or her legal representative and presented to the clerk
- of the court with the complaint. If, after reasonable attempts are made
- 11 by the plaintiff or his or her legal representative to attain such
- 12 information, the information is unavailable, the designation unknown
- 13 shall be accepted by the department. If no annulments or dissolutions of
- 14 marriage were granted in the county during the preceding month, a card
- 15 furnished by the department indicating such information shall be
- 16 submitted on or before the fifth day of each month to the department.
- 17 (2)(a) The department, in consultation with the State Court
- 18 Administrator, shall develop a parenting time summary report form to
- 19 provide for the reporting of information in every case in which parenting
- 20 time with children is established or modified in the district court.
- 21 (b) The parenting time summary report form shall include: (i)
- 22 Information on the parenting time schedule, specifically, the amount of
- 23 time the child spends with each parent; (ii) the representation status of
- 24 the parties; (iii) whether domestic violence, child abuse, chemical
- 25 dependency, or mental health issues exist; (iv) the name of the judge who
- 26 <u>heard the case establishing or modifying parenting time; and (v) whether</u>
- the matter was agreed or contested.
- 28 (c) The parenting time summary report form shall be filed with the
- 29 <u>clerk of the district court in every case in which parenting time with</u>
- 30 children is established or modified by such district court. The party who
- 31 initiated the case to establish or modify parenting time shall complete

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1 the form and file it along with the final court order in the case. On or

- 2 before the fifth day of each month, the clerk of the district court shall
- 3 forward all completed parenting time summary report forms to the
- 4 <u>department</u>.
- 5 (d) The department shall compile the information contained in the
- 6 parenting time summary report forms and create a system that tracks the
- 7 factors listed in subdivision (2)(b) of this subsection.
- 8 <u>(e) The department shall publish the compiled information, organized</u>
- 9 by judge, on at least an annual basis. The report shall be available to
- 10 the public and shall not contain any personal identifying information of
- 11 the parents or children in the proceedings.
- 12 Sec. 2. Original section 71-615, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 13 Supplement, 2014, is repealed.