

AMENDMENTS TO LB297

Introduced by Health and Human Services.

1 1. Strike the original sections and insert the following new
2 sections:

3 Section 1. (1) The Children and Juveniles Data Feasibility Study
4 Advisory Group is created. The advisory group shall oversee a feasibility
5 study to identify how existing state agency data systems currently used
6 to account for the use of all services, programs, and facilities by
7 children and juveniles in the State of Nebraska can be used to establish
8 an independent, external data warehouse. The Foster Care Review Office
9 shall provide administrative support for the feasibility study and the
10 advisory group.

11 (2) The advisory group shall include the Inspector General of
12 Nebraska Child Welfare or his or her designee, the State Court
13 Administrator or his or her designee, the probation administrator of the
14 Office of Probation Administration or his or her designee, the executive
15 director of the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal
16 Justice or his or her designee, the Commissioner of Education or his or
17 her designee, the executive director of the Foster Care Review Office or
18 his or her designee, the Chief Information Officer of the office of Chief
19 Information Officer or his or her designee, and the chief executive
20 officer of the Department of Health and Human Services or his or her
21 designee.

22 (3) The advisory group shall:

23 (a) Meet at least twice a year;

24 (b) Carry out in good faith the duties provided in this section;

25 (c) Create a Data Steering Subcommittee. Each member of the advisory
26 group shall designate one representative from his or her agency with
27 specific technical knowledge of the agency's data structure, limitation,

1 and capabilities to serve on the subcommittee. The subcommittee shall
2 meet regularly to manage and discuss data-related items, including the
3 technological and system issues of each agency's current data system,
4 specific barriers that impact the implementation of a data warehouse, and
5 steps necessary to establish and sustain a data warehouse. The
6 subcommittee shall report its findings to the advisory group;

7 (d) Create an Information-Sharing Subcommittee. Each member of the
8 advisory group shall designate one representative from his or her agency
9 with specific knowledge of the agency's legal and regulatory
10 responsibilities and restrictions related to sharing data to serve on the
11 subcommittee. The subcommittee shall meet regularly to manage and discuss
12 the legal and regulatory barriers to establishing a data warehouse and to
13 identify possible solutions. The subcommittee shall report its findings
14 to the advisory group; and

15 (e) Submit a written report electronically to the Legislature on
16 October 1 of 2017 and 2018, detailing the technical and legal steps
17 necessary to establish the Children and Juveniles Data Warehouse by July
18 1, 2019. The October 1, 2018, report shall include the final results of
19 the feasibility study to establish the data warehouse by July 1, 2019.
20 The results of the feasibility study shall not be binding on any agency.

21 (4) For purposes of this section, independent, external data
22 warehouse means a data system which allows for the collection, storage,
23 and analysis of data from multiple agencies but is not solely controlled
24 by the agencies providing the data.

25 (5) This section terminates on December 31, 2019.

26 Sec. 2. Section 43-1318, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
27 amended to read:

28 43-1318 Sections 43-1301 to 43-1321 and section 1 of this act
29 ~~43-1322~~ shall be known and may be cited as the Foster Care Review Act.

30 Sec. 3. Original section 43-1318, Reissue Revised Statutes of
31 Nebraska, is repealed.

1 Sec. 4. The following section is outright repealed: Section
2 43-1322, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.