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AMENDMENTS TO LB478

Introduced by Judiciary.

- 1 1. Strike the original section and insert the following new
- 2 sections:
- 3 Section 1. Section 27-412, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 4 amended to read:
- 5 27-412 (1) The following evidence is not admissible in any civil or
- 6 criminal proceeding involving alleged sexual misconduct except as
- 7 provided in subsections (2) and (3) of this section:
- 8 (a) Evidence offered to prove that any victim engaged in other
- 9 sexual behavior; and
- 10 (b) Evidence offered to prove any victim's sexual predisposition.
- 11 (2)(a) In a criminal case, the following evidence is admissible, if
- 12 otherwise admissible under the Nebraska Evidence Rules:
- 13 (i) Evidence of specific instances of sexual behavior by the victim
- 14 offered to prove that a person other than the accused was the source of
- 15 semen, injury, or other physical evidence;
- 16 (ii) Evidence of specific instances of sexual behavior of the victim
- 17 with respect to the accused offered by the accused to prove consent of
- 18 the victim if it is first established to the court that such behavior is
- 19 similar to the behavior involved in the case and tends to establish a
- 20 pattern of behavior of the victim relevant to the issue of consent; and
- 21 (iii) Evidence, the exclusion of which would violate the
- 22 constitutional rights of the accused.
- 23 (b) In a civil case, evidence offered to prove the sexual behavior
- 24 or sexual predisposition of any victim is admissible if it is otherwise
- 25 admissible under the Nebraska Evidence Rules and its probative value
- 26 substantially outweighs the danger of harm to any victim and of unfair
- 27 prejudice to any party. Evidence of a victim's reputation is admissible

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- only if it has been placed in controversy by the victim. 1
- (3)(a) A party intending to offer evidence under subsection (2) of 2
- 3 this section shall:
- (i) File a written motion at least fifteen days before trial 4
- 5 specifically describing the evidence and stating the purpose for which it
- 6 is offered unless the court, for good cause, requires a different time
- 7 for filing or permits filing during trial; and
- 8 (ii) Serve the motion on all parties and notify the victim or, when
- 9 appropriate, the victim's guardian or representative.
- (b) Before admitting evidence under this section, the court shall 10
- 11 conduct a hearing in camera outside the presence of any jury.
- 12 (4) Evidence of the victim's consent is not admissible in any civil
- proceeding involving alleged: 13
- 14 (a) Sexual penetration when the actor is nineteen years of age or
- 15 older and the victim is less than sixteen years of age; or
- 16 (b) Sexual contact when the actor is nineteen years of age or older
- and the victim is less than fifteen years of age. 17
- Sec. 2. Original section 27-412, Reissue Revised Statutes of 18
- 19 Nebraska, is repealed.