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LEGISLATIVE BILL 353

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- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to law enforcement; to amend sections 2 28-109, 28-359, 28-710, 28-1008, 25-21,303, 29-4103, 49-801, 3 53-1,121, 60-646, 60-683, 69-2429, 71-507, 71-910, and 86-802, 4 Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 20-502, 20-504, 28-470, 42-903, 48-202, 54-902, 81-1401, 81-1452, 81-1455, and 5 6 85-2602, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2018; to provide 7 powers and duties for University of Nebraska police departments and police officers as prescribed; to redefine terms; and to repeal the 8 9 original sections.
- 10 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

- 1 Section 1. Section 20-502, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 2 2018, is amended to read:
- 3 20-502 (1) No member of the Nebraska State Patrol or a county
- 4 sheriff's office, officer of a city or village police department, officer
- 5 <u>of a University of Nebraska police department,</u> or member of any other law
- 6 enforcement agency in this state shall engage in racial profiling. The
- 7 disparate treatment of an individual who has been detained or whose motor
- 8 vehicle has been stopped by a law enforcement officer is inconsistent
- 9 with this policy.
- 10 (2) Racial profiling shall not be used to justify the detention of
- an individual or to conduct a motor vehicle stop.
- 12 Sec. 2. Section 20-504, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 13 2018, is amended to read:
- 14 20-504 (1) On or before January 1, 2014, the Nebraska State Patrol,
- 15 the county sheriffs, all city and village police departments, <u>all</u>
- 16 University of Nebraska police departments, and any other law enforcement
- 17 agency in this state shall adopt and provide a copy to the Nebraska
- 18 Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice of a written policy
- 19 that prohibits the detention of any person or a motor vehicle stop when
- 20 such action is motivated by racial profiling. Such racial profiling
- 21 prevention policy shall include definitions consistent with section
- 22 20-503 and one or more internal methods of prevention and enforcement,
- 23 including, but not limited to:
- 24 (a) Internal affairs investigation;
- 25 (b) Preventative measures including extra training at the Nebraska
- 26 Law Enforcement Training Center focused on avoidance of apparent or
- 27 actual racial profiling;
- 28 (c) Early intervention with any particular personnel determined by
- 29 the administration of the agency to have committed, participated in,
- 30 condoned, or attempted to cover up any instance of racial profiling; and
- 31 (d) Disciplinary measures or other formal or informal methods of

- 1 prevention and enforcement.
- None of the preventative or enforcement measures shall be
- 3 implemented contrary to the collective-bargaining agreement provisions or
- 4 personnel rules under which the member or officer in question is
- 5 employed.
- 6 (2) The Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice
- 7 may develop and distribute a suggested model written racial profiling
- 8 prevention policy for use by law enforcement agencies, but the commission
- 9 shall not mandate the adoption of the model policy except for any
- 10 particular law enforcement agency which fails to timely create and
- 11 provide to the commission a policy for the agency in conformance with the
- 12 minimum standards set forth in this section.
- 13 (3) With respect to a motor vehicle stop, on and after January 1,
- 14 2002, the Nebraska State Patrol, the county sheriffs, all city and
- 15 village police departments, <u>all University of Nebraska police</u>
- 16 <u>departments</u>, and any other law enforcement agency in this state shall
- 17 record and retain the following information using the form developed and
- 18 promulgated pursuant to section 20-505:
- 19 (a) The number of motor vehicle stops;
- 20 (b) The characteristics of race or ethnicity of the person stopped.
- 21 The identification of such characteristics shall be based on the
- 22 observation and perception of the law enforcement officer responsible for
- 23 reporting the motor vehicle stop and the information shall not be
- 24 required to be provided by the person stopped;
- (c) If the stop is for a law violation, the nature of the alleged
- 26 law violation that resulted in the motor vehicle stop;
- 27 (d) Whether a warning or citation was issued, an arrest made, or a
- 28 search conducted as a result of the motor vehicle stop. Search does not
- 29 include a search incident to arrest or an inventory search; and
- 30 (e) Any additional information that the Nebraska State Patrol, the
- 31 county sheriffs, all city and village police departments, all University

- 1 <u>of Nebraska police departments,</u> or any other law enforcement agency in
- 2 this state, as the case may be, deems appropriate.
- 3 (4) The Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice
- 4 may develop a uniform system for receiving allegations of racial
- 5 profiling. The Nebraska State Patrol, the county sheriffs, all city and
- 6 village police departments, <u>all University of Nebraska police</u>
- 7 <u>departments</u>, and any other law enforcement agency in this state shall
- 8 provide to the commission (a) a copy of each allegation of racial
- 9 profiling received and (b) written notification of the review and
- 10 disposition of such allegation. No information revealing the identity of
- 11 the law enforcement officer involved in the stop shall be used,
- 12 transmitted, or disclosed in violation of any collective-bargaining
- 13 agreement provision or personnel rule under which such law enforcement
- 14 officer is employed. No information revealing the identity of the
- 15 complainant shall be used, transmitted, or disclosed in the form alleging
- 16 racial profiling.
- 17 (5) Any law enforcement officer who in good faith records
- 18 information on a motor vehicle stop pursuant to this section shall not be
- 19 held civilly liable for the act of recording such information unless the
- 20 law enforcement officer's conduct was unreasonable or reckless or in some
- 21 way contrary to law.
- 22 (6) On or before October 1, 2002, and annually thereafter, the
- 23 Nebraska State Patrol, the county sheriffs, all city and village police
- 24 departments, <u>all University of Nebraska police departments</u>, and all other
- 25 law enforcement agencies in this state shall provide to the Nebraska
- 26 Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice, in such form as the
- 27 commission prescribes, a summary report of the information recorded
- 28 pursuant to subsection (3) of this section.
- 29 (7) The Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice
- 30 shall, within the limits of its existing appropriations, including any
- 31 grant funds which the commission is awarded for such purpose, provide for

- 1 an annual review and analysis of the prevalence and disposition of motor
- 2 vehicle stops based on racial profiling and allegations of racial
- 3 profiling involved in other detentions reported pursuant to this section.
- 4 After the review and analysis, the commission may, when it deems
- 5 warranted, inquire into and study individual law enforcement agency
- 6 circumstances in which the raw data collected and analyzed raises at
- 7 least some issue or appearance of possible racial profiling. The
- 8 commission may make recommendations to any such law enforcement agency
- 9 for the purpose of improving measures to prevent racial profiling or the
- 10 appearance of racial profiling. The results of such review, analysis,
- 11 inquiry, and study and any recommendations by the commission to any law
- 12 enforcement agency shall be reported annually to the Governor and the
- 13 Legislature. The report submitted to the Legislature shall be submitted
- 14 electronically.
- 15 (8) Any law enforcement officer, prosecutor, defense attorney, or
- 16 probation officer, unless restricted by privilege, who becomes aware of
- 17 incidents of racial profiling by a law enforcement agency, shall report
- 18 such incidents to the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal
- 19 Justice within thirty days after becoming aware of such practice.
- Sec. 3. Section 25-21,303, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 21 amended to read:
- 22 25-21,303 (1) For all money, securities, negotiable instruments,
- 23 firearms, conveyances, or real estate seized pursuant to section
- 24 25-21,302, the appropriate law enforcement agency or, as provided in
- 25 subsection (5) of this section, the prosecuting attorney shall provide a
- 26 written report of the forfeiture to the Auditor of Public Accounts. The
- 27 report shall include:
- 28 (a) The date of the seizure;
- 29 (b) The type of property seized, such as a vehicle, currency, or a
- 30 firearm;
- 31 (c) A description of the property seized, including, if applicable,

- 1 the make, model, year, and serial number of the property seized;
- 2 (d) The street name and traffic direction where the seizure
- 3 occurred, such as eastbound, westbound, southbound, or northbound;
- 4 (e) The crime for which the suspect was charged;
- 5 (f) The disposition of the property seized through the forfeiture
- 6 process, such as the property was returned to the suspect, returned to a
- 7 third-party owner, sold, destroyed, or retained by law enforcement;
- 8 (g) The basis for disposition of the seized property, such as the
- 9 suspect was found not guilty, agreement for disposition, criminal
- 10 forfeiture, or civil forfeiture;
- 11 (h) The value of the property forfeited;
- 12 (i) If the seizure resulted from a motor vehicle stop, (i) whether a
- 13 warning or citation was issued, an arrest was made, or a search was
- 14 conducted and (ii) the characteristics of the race or ethnicity of the
- 15 suspect. The identification of such characteristics shall be based on the
- 16 observation and perception of the law enforcement officer responsible for
- 17 reporting the motor vehicle stop. The information shall not be required
- 18 to be provided by the suspect; and
- 19 (j) Any additional information the Nebraska State Patrol, a county
- 20 sheriff, any city or village police department, a University of Nebraska
- 21 <u>police departments,</u> or any other law enforcement agency in this state, as
- the case may be, deems appropriate.
- 23 (2) The appropriate law enforcement agency or prosecuting attorney
- 24 shall report to the Auditor of Public Accounts all instances in which
- 25 property seized for forfeiture was returned to its owner either because
- the forfeiture was not pursued or for any other reason.
- 27 (3) Reports shall be made on an annual basis in a manner prescribed
- 28 by the Auditor of Public Accounts. The Auditor of Public Accounts shall
- 29 submit a report to the Legislature on the nature and extent of such
- 30 seizures on an annual basis. Such report shall be submitted
- 31 electronically.

- 1 (4) For forfeitures resulting from the activities of
- 2 multijurisdictional law enforcement entities, a law enforcement entity
- 3 other than a Nebraska law enforcement entity shall, on its own
- 4 initiative, report the information required by this section.
- 5 (5) The prosecuting attorney is not required to report information
- 6 required by this section unless he or she has been notified by the
- 7 Auditor of Public Accounts that the appropriate law enforcement agency
- 8 has not reported the information required by this section.
- 9 Sec. 4. Section 28-109, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 10 amended to read:
- 11 28-109 For purposes of the Nebraska Criminal Code, unless the
- 12 context otherwise requires:
- 13 (1) Act shall mean a bodily movement, and includes words and
- 14 possession of property;
- 15 (2) Aid or assist shall mean knowingly to give or lend money or
- 16 credit to be used for, or to make possible or available, or to further
- 17 activity thus aided or assisted;
- 18 (3) Benefit shall mean any gain or advantage to the beneficiary
- 19 including any gain or advantage to another person pursuant to the desire
- 20 or consent of the beneficiary;
- 21 (4) Bodily injury shall mean physical pain, illness, or any
- 22 impairment of physical condition;
- 23 (5) Conduct shall mean an action or omission and its accompanying
- 24 state of mind, or, where relevant, a series of acts and omissions;
- 25 (6) Conveyance shall mean a mode of transportation that includes any
- 26 vehicle, aircraft, or watercraft;
- 27 (7) Deadly physical force shall mean force, the intended, natural,
- 28 and probable consequence of which is to produce death, or which does, in
- 29 fact, produce death;
- 30 (8) Deadly weapon shall mean any firearm, knife, bludgeon, or other
- 31 device, instrument, material, or substance, whether animate or inanimate,

1 which in the manner it is used or intended to be used is capable of

- 2 producing death or serious bodily injury;
- 3 (9) Deface shall mean to alter the appearance of something by
- 4 removing, distorting, adding to, or covering all or a part of the thing;
- 5 (10) Dwelling shall mean a building or other thing which is used,
- 6 intended to be used, or usually used by a person for habitation;
- 7 (11) Government shall mean the United States, any state, county,
- 8 municipality, or other political unit, any branch, department, agency, or
- 9 subdivision of any of the foregoing, and any corporation or other entity
- 10 established by law to carry out any governmental function;
- 11 (12) Governmental function shall mean any activity which a public
- 12 servant is legally authorized to undertake on behalf of government;
- 13 (13) Motor vehicle shall mean every self-propelled land vehicle, not
- operated upon rails, except self-propelled chairs used by persons who are
- 15 disabled, electric personal assistive mobility devices as defined in
- 16 section 60-618.02, and bicycles as defined in section 60-611;
- 17 (14) Omission shall mean a failure to perform an act as to which a
- 18 duty of performance is imposed by law;
- 19 (15) Peace officer shall mean any officer or employee of the state
- 20 or a political subdivision authorized by law to make arrests, and any
- 21 <u>University of Nebraska police officer</u> and shall include members of the
- 22 National Guard on active service by direction of the Governor during
- 23 periods of emergency or civil disorder;
- 24 (16) Pecuniary benefit shall mean benefit in the form of money,
- 25 property, commercial interest, or anything else, the primary significance
- 26 of which is economic gain;
- 27 (17) Person shall mean any natural person and where relevant a
- 28 corporation or an unincorporated association;
- 29 (18) Public place shall mean a place to which the public or a
- 30 substantial number of the public has access, and includes but is not
- 31 limited to highways, transportation facilities, schools, places of

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1 amusement, parks, playgrounds, and the common areas of public and private

- 2 buildings and facilities;
- 3 (19) Public servant shall mean any officer or employee of
- 4 government, whether elected or appointed, and any person participating as
- 5 an advisor, consultant, process server, or otherwise in performing a
- 6 governmental function, but the term does not include witnesses;
- 7 (20) Recklessly shall mean acting with respect to a material element
- 8 of an offense when any person disregards a substantial and unjustifiable
- 9 risk that the material element exists or will result from his or her
- 10 conduct. The risk must be of such a nature and degree that, considering
- 11 the nature and purpose of the actor's conduct and the circumstances known
- 12 to the actor, its disregard involves a gross deviation from the standard
- 13 of conduct that a law-abiding person would observe in the actor's
- 14 situation;
- 15 (21) Serious bodily injury shall mean bodily injury which involves a
- 16 substantial risk of death, or which involves substantial risk of serious
- 17 permanent disfigurement, or protracted loss or impairment of the function
- 18 of any part or organ of the body;
- 19 (22) Tamper shall mean to interfere with something improperly or to
- 20 make unwarranted alterations in its condition;
- 21 (23) Thing of value shall mean real property, tangible and
- 22 intangible personal property, contract rights, choses in action,
- 23 services, and any rights of use or enjoyment connected therewith; and
- 24 (24) Voluntary act shall mean an act performed as a result of effort
- 25 or determination, and includes the possession of property if the actor
- 26 was aware of his or her physical possession or control thereof for a
- 27 sufficient period to have been able to terminate it.
- 28 Sec. 5. Section 28-359, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 29 amended to read:
- 30 28-359 Law enforcement agency shall mean the police department or
- 31 the town marshal in incorporated municipalities, the office of the

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1 sheriff in unincorporated areas, a University of Nebraska police

- 2 <u>department</u>, and the Nebraska State Patrol.
- 3 Sec. 6. Section 28-470, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 4 2018, is amended to read:
- 5 28-470 (1) A health professional who is authorized to prescribe or
- 6 dispense naloxone, if acting with reasonable care, may prescribe,
- 7 administer, or dispense naloxone to any of the following persons without
- 8 being subject to administrative action or criminal prosecution:
- 9 (a) A person who is apparently experiencing or who is likely to
- 10 experience an opioid-related overdose; or
- 11 (b) A family member, friend, or other person in a position to assist
- 12 a person who is apparently experiencing or who is likely to experience an
- 13 opioid-related overdose.
- 14 (2) A family member, friend, or other person who is in a position to
- 15 assist a person who is apparently experiencing or who is likely to
- 16 experience an opioid-related overdose, other than an emergency responder
- 17 or peace officer, is not subject to actions under the Uniform
- 18 Credentialing Act, administrative action, or criminal prosecution if the
- 19 person, acting in good faith, obtains naloxone from a health professional
- 20 or a prescription for naloxone from a health professional and administers
- 21 the naloxone obtained from the health professional or acquired pursuant
- 22 to the prescription to a person who is apparently experiencing an opioid-
- 23 related overdose.
- 24 (3) An emergency responder who, acting in good faith, obtains
- 25 naloxone from the emergency responder's emergency medical service
- 26 organization and administers the naloxone to a person who is apparently
- 27 experiencing an opioid-related overdose shall not be:
- 28 (a) Subject to administrative action or criminal prosecution; or
- 29 (b) Personally liable in any civil action to respond in damages as a
- 30 result of his or her acts of commission or omission arising out of and in
- 31 the course of his or her rendering such care or services or arising out

- 1 of his or her failure to act to provide or arrange for further medical
- 2 treatment or care for the person who is apparently experiencing an
- 3 opioid-related overdose, unless the emergency responder caused damage or
- 4 injury by his or her willful, wanton, or grossly negligent act of
- 5 commission or omission. This subdivision shall not affect the liability
- 6 of such emergency medical service organization for the emergency
- 7 responder's acts of commission or omission.
- 8 (4) A peace officer or law enforcement employee who, acting in good
- 9 faith, obtains naloxone from the peace officer's or employee's law
- 10 enforcement agency and administers the naloxone to a person who is
- apparently experiencing an opioid-related overdose shall not be:
- 12 (a) Subject to administrative action or criminal prosecution; or
- 13 (b) Personally liable in any civil action to respond in damages as a
- 14 result of his or her acts of commission or omission arising out of and in
- 15 the course of his or her rendering such care or services or arising out
- 16 of his or her failure to act to provide or arrange for further medical
- 17 treatment or care for the person who is apparently experiencing an
- 18 opioid-related overdose, unless the peace officer or employee caused
- 19 damage or injury by his or her willful, wanton, or grossly negligent act
- 20 of commission or omission. This subdivision shall not affect the
- 21 liability of such law enforcement agency for the peace officer's or
- 22 employee's acts of commission or omission.
- 23 (5) For purposes of this section:
- 24 (a) Administer has the same meaning as in section 38-2806;
- (b) Dispense has the same meaning as in section 38-2817;
- 26 (c) Emergency responder means an emergency medical responder, an
- 27 emergency medical technician, an advanced emergency medical technician,
- 28 or a paramedic licensed under the Emergency Medical Services Practice Act
- 29 or practicing pursuant to the EMS Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact;
- 30 (d) Health professional means a physician, physician assistant,
- 31 nurse practitioner, or pharmacist licensed under the Uniform

- 1 Credentialing Act;
- 2 (e) Law enforcement agency means a police department, a town
- 3 marshal, the office of sheriff, a University of Nebraska police
- 4 <u>department</u>, or the Nebraska State Patrol;
- 5 (f) Law enforcement employee means an employee of a law enforcement
- 6 agency, a contractor of a law enforcement agency, or an employee of such
- 7 contractor who regularly, as part of his or her duties, handles,
- 8 processes, or is likely to come into contact with any evidence or
- 9 property which may include or contain opioids;
- 10 (g) Naloxone means naloxone hydrochloride; and
- 11 (h) Peace officer has the same meaning as in section 49-801.
- 12 Sec. 7. Section 28-710, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 13 amended to read:
- 14 28-710 (1) Sections 28-710 to 28-727 shall be known and may be cited
- 15 as the Child Protection and Family Safety Act.
- 16 (2) For purposes of the Child Protection and Family Safety Act:
- 17 (a) Alternative response means a comprehensive assessment of (i)
- 18 child safety, (ii) the risk of future child abuse or neglect, (iii)
- 19 family strengths and needs, and (iv) the provision of or referral for
- 20 necessary services and support. Alternative response is an alternative to
- 21 traditional response and does not include an investigation or a formal
- 22 determination as to whether child abuse or neglect has occurred, and the
- 23 subject of the report shall not be entered into the central registry of
- 24 child protection cases maintained pursuant to section 28-718;
- 25 (b) Child abuse or neglect means knowingly, intentionally, or
- 26 negligently causing or permitting a minor child to be:
- 27 (i) Placed in a situation that endangers his or her life or physical
- 28 or mental health;
- 29 (ii) Cruelly confined or cruelly punished;
- 30 (iii) Deprived of necessary food, clothing, shelter, or care;
- 31 (iv) Left unattended in a motor vehicle if such minor child is six

- 1 years of age or younger;
- 2 (v) Sexually abused; or
- 3 (vi) Sexually exploited by allowing, encouraging, or forcing such
- 4 person to solicit for or engage in prostitution, debauchery, public
- 5 indecency, or obscene or pornographic photography, films, or depictions;
- 6 (c) Comprehensive assessment means an analysis of child safety, risk
- 7 of future child abuse or neglect, and family strengths and needs on a
- 8 report of child abuse or neglect. Comprehensive assessment does not
- 9 include a determination as to whether the child abuse or neglect occurred
- 10 but does determine the need for services and support to address the
- 11 safety of children and the risk of future abuse or neglect;
- 12 (d) Department means the Department of Health and Human Services;
- (e) Investigation means fact gathering related to the current safety
- of a child and the risk of future child abuse or neglect that determines
- 15 whether child abuse or neglect has occurred and whether child protective
- 16 services are needed;
- 17 (f) Law enforcement agency means the police department or town
- 18 marshal in incorporated municipalities, the office of the sheriff in
- 19 unincorporated areas, <u>a University of Nebraska police department</u>, and the
- 20 Nebraska State Patrol;
- 21 (g) Out-of-home child abuse or neglect means child abuse or neglect
- 22 occurring in day care homes, foster homes, day care centers, residential
- 23 child-caring agencies as defined in section 71-1926, and other child care
- 24 facilities or institutions;
- 25 (h) Review, Evaluate, and Decide Team means an internal team of
- 26 staff within the department and shall include no fewer than two
- 27 supervisors or administrators and two staff members knowledgeable on the
- 28 policies and practices of the department, including, but not limited to,
- 29 the structured review process. County attorneys, child advocacy centers,
- 30 or law enforcement agency personnel may attend team reviews upon request
- 31 of a party;

- 1 (i) Traditional response means an investigation by a law enforcement
- 2 agency or the department pursuant to section 28-713 which requires a
- 3 formal determination of whether child abuse or neglect has occurred; and
- 4 (j) Subject of the report of child abuse or neglect means the person
- 5 or persons identified in the report as responsible for the child abuse or
- 6 neglect.
- 7 Sec. 8. Section 28-1008, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 8 amended to read:
- 9 28-1008 For purposes of sections 28-1008 to 28-1017, 28-1019, and
- 10 28-1020:
- 11 (1) Abandon means to leave any animal in one's care, whether as
- 12 owner or custodian, for any length of time without making effective
- 13 provision for its food, water, or other care as is reasonably necessary
- 14 for the animal's health;
- 15 (2) Animal means any vertebrate member of the animal kingdom. Animal
- 16 does not include an uncaptured wild creature or a livestock animal as
- 17 defined in section 54-902;
- 18 (3) Cruelly mistreat means to knowingly and intentionally kill,
- 19 maim, disfigure, torture, beat, mutilate, burn, scald, or otherwise
- 20 inflict harm upon any animal;
- 21 (4) Cruelly neglect means to fail to provide any animal in one's
- 22 care, whether as owner or custodian, with food, water, or other care as
- 23 is reasonably necessary for the animal's health;
- 24 (5) Humane killing means the destruction of an animal by a method
- 25 which causes the animal a minimum of pain and suffering;
- 26 (6) Law enforcement officer means any member of the Nebraska State
- 27 Patrol, <u>any University of Nebraska police officer</u>, any county or deputy
- 28 sheriff, any member of the police force of any city or village, or any
- 29 other public official authorized by a city or village to enforce state or
- 30 local animal control laws, rules, regulations, or ordinances. Law
- 31 enforcement officer also includes a special investigator appointed as a

1 deputy state sheriff as authorized pursuant to section 81-201 while

- 2 acting within the authority of the Director of Agriculture under the
- 3 Commercial Dog and Cat Operator Inspection Act;
- 4 (7) Mutilation means intentionally causing permanent injury,
- 5 disfigurement, degradation of function, incapacitation, or imperfection
- 6 to an animal. Mutilation does not include conduct performed by a
- 7 veterinarian licensed to practice veterinary medicine and surgery in this
- 8 state or conduct that conforms to accepted veterinary practices;
- 9 (8) Owner or custodian means any person owning, keeping, possessing,
- 10 harboring, or knowingly permitting an animal to remain on or about any
- 11 premises owned or occupied by such person;
- 12 (9) Police animal means a horse or dog owned or controlled by the
- 13 State of Nebraska, the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, or
- 14 any county, city, or village for the purpose of assisting a law
- 15 enforcement officer in the performance of his or her official enforcement
- 16 duties;
- 17 (10) Repeated beating means intentional successive strikes to an
- 18 animal by a person resulting in serious bodily injury or death to the
- 19 animal;
- 20 (11) Serious injury or illness includes any injury or illness to any
- 21 animal which creates a substantial risk of death or which causes broken
- 22 bones, prolonged impairment of health, or prolonged loss or impairment of
- 23 the function of any bodily organ; and
- 24 (12) Torture means intentionally subjecting an animal to extreme
- 25 pain, suffering, or agony. Torture does not include conduct performed by
- 26 a veterinarian licensed to practice veterinary medicine and surgery in
- 27 this state or conduct that conforms to accepted veterinary practices.
- 28 Sec. 9. Section 29-4103, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 29 amended to read:
- 30 29-4103 For purposes of the DNA Identification Information Act:
- 31 (1) Combined DNA Index System means the Federal Bureau of

- 1 Investigation's national DNA identification index system that allows the
- 2 storage and exchange of DNA records submitted by state and local forensic
- 3 DNA laboratories;
- 4 (2) DNA means deoxyribonucleic acid which is located in the cells
- 5 and provides an individual's personal genetic blueprint. DNA encodes
- 6 genetic information that is the basis of human heredity and forensic
- 7 identification;
- 8 (3) DNA record means the DNA identification information stored in
- 9 the State DNA Data Base or the Combined DNA Index System which is derived
- 10 from DNA typing test results;
- 11 (4) DNA sample means a blood, tissue, or bodily fluid sample
- 12 provided by any person covered by the DNA Identification Information Act
- 13 for analysis or storage, or both;
- 14 (5) DNA typing tests means the laboratory procedures which evaluate
- 15 the characteristics of a DNA sample which are of value in establishing
- 16 the identity of an individual;
- 17 (6) Law enforcement agency includes a police department, a town
- 18 marshal, a county sheriff, <u>a University of Nebraska police department</u>,
- 19 and the Nebraska State Patrol;
- 20 (7) Other specified offense means misdemeanor stalking pursuant to
- 21 sections 28-311.02 to 28-311.05 or false imprisonment in the second
- 22 degree pursuant to section 28-315 or an attempt, conspiracy, or
- 23 solicitation to commit stalking pursuant to sections 28-311.02 to
- 24 28-311.05, false imprisonment in the first degree pursuant to section
- 25 28-314, false imprisonment in the second degree pursuant to section
- 26 28-315, knowing and intentional sexual abuse of a vulnerable adult or
- 27 senior adult pursuant to subdivision (1)(c) of section 28-386, or a
- 28 violation of the Sex Offender Registration Act pursuant to section
- 29 29-4011; and
- 30 (8) Released means any release, parole, furlough, work release,
- 31 prerelease, or release in any other manner from a prison, a jail, or any

- 1 other detention facility or institution.
- 2 Sec. 10. Section 42-903, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 3 2018, is amended to read:
- 4 42-903 For purposes of the Protection from Domestic Abuse Act,
- 5 unless the context otherwise requires:
- 6 (1) Abuse means the occurrence of one or more of the following acts
- 7 between family or household members:
- 8 (a) Attempting to cause or intentionally and knowingly causing
- 9 bodily injury with or without a dangerous instrument;
- 10 (b) Placing, by means of credible threat, another person in fear of
- 11 bodily injury. For purposes of this subdivision, credible threat means a
- 12 verbal or written threat, including a threat performed through the use of
- 13 an electronic communication device, or a threat implied by a pattern of
- 14 conduct or a combination of verbal, written, or electronically
- 15 communicated statements and conduct that is made by a person with the
- 16 apparent ability to carry out the threat so as to cause the person who is
- 17 the target of the threat to reasonably fear for his or her safety or the
- 18 safety of his or her family. It is not necessary to prove that the person
- 19 making the threat had the intent to actually carry out the threat. The
- 20 present incarceration of the person making the threat shall not prevent
- 21 the threat from being deemed a credible threat under this section; or
- (c) Engaging in sexual contact or sexual penetration without consent
- 23 as defined in section 28-318;
- 24 (2) Department means the Department of Health and Human Services;
- 25 (3) Family or household members includes spouses or former spouses,
- 26 children, persons who are presently residing together or who have resided
- 27 together in the past, persons who have a child in common whether or not
- 28 they have been married or have lived together at any time, other persons
- 29 related by consanguinity or affinity, and persons who are presently
- 30 involved in a dating relationship with each other or who have been
- 31 involved in a dating relationship with each other. For purposes of this

- 1 subdivision, dating relationship means frequent, intimate associations
- 2 primarily characterized by the expectation of affectional or sexual
- 3 involvement, but does not include a casual relationship or an ordinary
- 4 association between persons in a business or social context; and
- 5 (4) Law enforcement agency means the police department or town
- 6 marshal in incorporated municipalities, the office of the sheriff in
- 7 unincorporated areas, a University of Nebraska police department, and the
- 8 Nebraska State Patrol.
- 9 Sec. 11. Section 48-202, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 10 2018, is amended to read:
- 11 48-202 (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a public
- 12 employer shall not ask an applicant for employment to disclose, orally or
- 13 in writing, information concerning the applicant's criminal record or
- 14 history, including any inquiry on any employment application, until the
- public employer has determined the applicant meets the minimum employment
- 16 qualifications.
- 17 (2) This section does not apply to any law enforcement agency, to
- 18 any position for which a public employer is required by federal or state
- 19 law to conduct a criminal history record information check, or to any
- 20 position for which federal or state law specifically disqualifies an
- 21 applicant with a criminal background.
- 22 (3)(a) This section does not prevent a public employer that is a
- 23 school district or educational service unit from requiring an applicant
- 24 for employment to disclose an applicant's criminal record or history
- 25 relating to sexual or physical abuse.
- 26 (b) This section does not prevent a public employer from preparing
- 27 or delivering an employment application that conspicuously states that a
- 28 criminal history record information check is required by federal law,
- 29 state law, or the employer's policy.
- 30 (c) This section does not prevent a public employer from conducting
- 31 a criminal history record information check after the public employer has

1 determined that the applicant meets the minimum employment

- 2 qualifications.
- 3 (4) For purposes of this section:
- 4 (a) Law enforcement agency means an agency or department of this
- 5 state or of any political subdivision of this state which is responsible
- 6 for the prevention and detection of crime, the enforcement of the penal,
- 7 traffic, or highway laws of this state or any political subdivision of
- 8 this state, and the enforcement of arrest warrants. Law enforcement
- 9 agency includes a police department, an office of the town marshal, an
- 10 office of the county sheriff, a University of Nebraska police department,
- 11 the Nebraska State Patrol, and any department to which a deputy state
- 12 sheriff is assigned as provided in section 84-106; and
- 13 (b) Public employer means an agency or department of this state or
- 14 of any political subdivision of this state.
- 15 Sec. 12. Section 49-801, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 16 amended to read:
- 17 49-801 Unless the context is shown to intend otherwise, words and
- 18 phrases in the statutes of Nebraska hereafter enacted are used in the
- 19 following sense:
- 20 (1) Acquire when used in connection with a grant of power or
- 21 property right to any person shall include the purchase, grant, gift,
- 22 devise, bequest, and obtaining by eminent domain;
- 23 (2) Action shall include any proceeding in any court of this state;
- 24 (3) Attorney shall mean attorney at law;
- 25 (4) Company shall include any corporation, partnership, limited
- 26 liability company, joint-stock company, joint venture, or association;
- 27 (5) Domestic when applied to corporations shall mean all those
- 28 created by authority of this state;
- 29 (6) Federal shall refer to the United States;
- 30 (7) Foreign when applied to corporations shall include all those
- 31 created by authority other than that of this state;

1 (8) Grantee shall include every person to whom any estate or

- 2 interest passes in or by any conveyance;
- 3 (9) Grantor shall include every person from or by whom any estate or
- 4 interest passes in or by any conveyance;
- 5 (10) Inhabitant shall be construed to mean a resident in the
- 6 particular locality in reference to which that word is used;
- 7 (11) Land or real estate shall include lands, tenements, and
- 8 hereditaments and all rights thereto and interest therein other than a
- 9 chattel interest;
- 10 (12) Magistrate shall include judge of the county court and clerk
- 11 magistrate;
- 12 (13) Month shall mean calendar month;
- 13 (14) Oath shall include affirmation in all cases in which an
- 14 affirmation may be substituted for an oath;
- 15 (15) Peace officer shall include sheriffs, coroners, jailers,
- 16 marshals, police officers, <u>University of Nebraska police officers,</u> state
- 17 highway patrol officers, members of the National Guard on active service
- 18 by direction of the Governor during periods of emergency, and all other
- 19 persons with similar authority to make arrests;
- 20 (16) Person shall include bodies politic and corporate, societies,
- 21 communities, the public generally, individuals, partnerships, limited
- 22 liability companies, joint-stock companies, and associations;
- 23 (17) Personal estate shall include money, goods, chattels, claims,
- 24 and evidences of debt;
- 25 (18) Process shall mean a summons, subpoena, or notice to appear
- 26 issued out of a court in the course of judicial proceedings;
- 27 (19) Service animal shall have the same meaning as in 28 C.F.R.
- 28 36.104, as such regulation existed on January 1, 2008;
- 29 (20) State when applied to different states of the United States
- 30 shall be construed to extend to and include the District of Columbia and
- 31 the several territories organized by Congress;

1 (21) Sworn shall include affirmed in all cases in which an

- 2 affirmation may be substituted for an oath;
- 3 (22) The United States shall include territories, outlying
- 4 possessions, and the District of Columbia;
- 5 (23) Violate shall include failure to comply with;
- 6 (24) Writ shall signify an order or citation in writing issued in
- 7 the name of the state out of a court or by a judicial officer; and
- 8 (25) Year shall mean calendar year.
- 9 Sec. 13. Section 53-1,121, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 10 amended to read:
- 11 53-1,121 (1) City police, county sheriffs, officers of the Nebraska
- 12 State Patrol, University of Nebraska police officers, and any other such
- 13 law enforcement officer with power to arrest for traffic violations may
- 14 take a person who is intoxicated and in the judgment of the officer
- 15 dangerous to himself, herself, or others, or who is otherwise
- 16 incapacitated, from any public or quasi-public property. An officer
- 17 removing an intoxicated person from public or quasi-public property shall
- 18 make a reasonable effort to take such intoxicated person to his or her
- 19 home or to place such person in any hospital, clinic, alcoholism center,
- 20 or with a medical doctor as may be necessary to preserve life or to
- 21 prevent injury. Such effort at placement shall be deemed reasonable if
- 22 the officer contacts those facilities or doctors which have previously
- 23 represented a willingness to accept and treat such individuals and which
- 24 regularly do accept such individuals. If such efforts are unsuccessful or
- 25 are not feasible, the officer may then place such intoxicated person in
- 26 civil protective custody, except that civil protective custody shall be
- 27 used only as long as is necessary to preserve life or to prevent injury,
- and under no circumstances for longer than twenty-four hours.
- 29 (2) The placement of such person in civil protective custody shall
- 30 be recorded at the facility or jail to which he or she is delivered and
- 31 communicated to his or her family or next of kin, if they can be located,

1 or to such person designated by the person taken into civil protective

- 2 custody.
- 3 (3) The law enforcement officer who acts in compliance with this
- 4 section shall be deemed to be acting in the course of his or her official
- 5 duty and shall not be criminally or civilly liable for such actions.
- 6 (4) The taking of an individual into civil protective custody under
- 7 this section shall not be considered an arrest. No entry or other record
- 8 shall be made to indicate that the person has been arrested or charged
- 9 with a crime.
- 10 (5) For purposes of this section, public property shall mean any
- 11 public right-of-way, street, highway, alley, park, or other state,
- 12 county, or municipally owned property.
- 13 (6) For the purposes of this section, quasi-public property shall
- 14 mean and include private or publicly owned property utilized for
- 15 proprietary or business uses which invites patronage by the public or
- 16 which invites public ingress and egress.
- 17 Sec. 14. Section 54-902, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 18 2018, is amended to read:
- 19 54-902 For purposes of the Livestock Animal Welfare Act:
- 20 (1) Abandon means to leave a livestock animal in one's care, whether
- 21 as owner or custodian, for any length of time without making effective
- 22 provision for the livestock animal's feed, water, or other care as is
- 23 reasonably necessary for the livestock animal's health;
- 24 (2) Animal welfare practice means veterinarian practices and animal
- 25 husbandry practices common to the livestock animal industry, including
- 26 transport of livestock animals from one location to another;
- 27 (3) Bovine means a cow, an ox, or a bison;
- 28 (4) Cruelly mistreat means to knowingly and intentionally kill or
- 29 cause physical harm to a livestock animal in a manner that is not
- 30 consistent with animal welfare practices;
- 31 (5) Cruelly neglect means to fail to provide a livestock animal in

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1 one's care, whether as owner or custodian, with feed, water, or other

- 2 care as is reasonably necessary for the livestock animal's health;
- 3 (6) Equine means a horse, pony, donkey, mule, or hinny;
- 4 (7) Euthanasia means the destruction of a livestock animal by
- 5 commonly accepted veterinary practices;
- 6 (8) Law enforcement officer means any member of the Nebraska State
- 7 Patrol, any University of Nebraska police officer, any county or deputy
- 8 sheriff, any member of the police force of any city or village, or any
- 9 other public official authorized by a city or village to enforce state or
- 10 local laws, rules, regulations, or ordinances;
- 11 (9) Livestock animal means any bovine, equine, swine, sheep, goats,
- 12 domesticated cervine animals, ratite birds, llamas, or poultry;
- 13 (10) Owner or custodian means any person owning, keeping,
- 14 possessing, harboring, or knowingly permitting an animal to remain on or
- 15 about any premises owned or occupied by such person; and
- 16 (11) Serious injury or illness includes any injury or illness to any
- 17 livestock animal which creates a substantial risk of death or which
- 18 causes broken bones, prolonged impairment of health, or prolonged loss or
- 19 impairment of the function of any bodily organ.
- 20 Sec. 15. Section 60-646, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 21 amended to read:
- 22 60-646 Peace officer shall mean any town marshal, chief of police,
- 23 local police officer, <u>University of Nebraska police officer</u>, sheriff, or
- 24 deputy sheriff, the Superintendent of Law Enforcement and Public Safety,
- 25 or any officer of the Nebraska State Patrol and shall also include
- 26 members of the National Guard on active service by direction of the
- 27 Governor during periods of emergency or civil disorder and Game and Parks
- 28 Commission conservation officers while in areas under the control of the
- 29 Game and Parks Commission. With respect to directing traffic only, peace
- 30 officer shall also include any person authorized to direct or regulate
- 31 traffic.

1 Sec. 16. Section 60-683, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is

- 2 amended to read:
- 3 60-683 All peace officers are hereby specifically directed and
- 4 authorized and it shall be deemed and considered a part of the official
- 5 duties of each of such officers to enforce the provisions of the Nebraska
- 6 Rules of the Road, including the specific enforcement of maximum speed
- 7 limits, and any other law regulating the operation of vehicles or the use
- 8 of the highways. To perform the official duties imposed by this section,
- 9 the Superintendent of Law Enforcement and Public Safety and all officers
- 10 of the Nebraska State Patrol shall have the powers stated in section
- 11 81-2005. All other peace officers, including University of Nebraska
- 12 <u>police officers</u>, shall have the power:
- 13 (1) To make arrests upon view and without warrant for any violation
- 14 committed in their presence of any of the provisions of the Motor Vehicle
- 15 Operator's License Act or of any other law regulating the operation of
- 16 vehicles or the use of the highways, if and when designated or called
- 17 upon to do so as provided by law;
- 18 (2) To make arrests upon view and without warrant for any violation
- 19 committed in their presence of any provision of the laws of this state
- 20 relating to misdemeanors or felonies, if and when designated or called
- 21 upon to do so as provided by law;
- 22 (3) At all times to direct all traffic in conformity with law or, in
- 23 the event of a fire or other emergency or in order to expedite traffic or
- 24 insure safety, to direct traffic as conditions may require;
- 25 (4) When in uniform, to require the driver of a vehicle to stop and
- 26 exhibit his or her operator's license and registration certificate issued
- 27 for the vehicle and submit to an inspection of such vehicle and the
- 28 license plates and registration certificate for the vehicle and to
- 29 require the driver of a motor vehicle to present the vehicle within five
- 30 days for correction of any defects revealed by such motor vehicle
- 31 inspection as may lead the inspecting officer to reasonably believe that

- 1 such motor vehicle is being operated in violation of the statutes of
- 2 Nebraska or the rules and regulations of the Director of Motor Vehicles;
- 3 (5) To inspect any vehicle of a type required to be registered
- 4 according to law in any public garage or repair shop or in any place
- 5 where such a vehicle is held for sale or wrecking;
- 6 (6) To serve warrants relating to the enforcement of the laws
- 7 regulating the operation of vehicles or the use of the highways; and
- 8 (7) To investigate traffic accidents for the purpose of carrying on
- 9 a study of traffic accidents and enforcing motor vehicle and highway
- 10 safety laws.
- 11 Sec. 17. Section 69-2429, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 12 amended to read:
- 13 69-2429 For purposes of the Concealed Handgun Permit Act:
- 14 (1) Concealed handgun means the handgun is totally hidden from view.
- 15 If any part of the handgun is capable of being seen, it is not a
- 16 concealed handgun;
- 17 (2) Emergency services personnel means a volunteer or paid
- 18 firefighter or rescue squad member or a person licensed to provide
- 19 emergency medical services pursuant to the Emergency Medical Services
- 20 Practice Act or authorized to provide emergency medical services pursuant
- 21 to the EMS Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact;
- 22 (3) Handgun means any firearm with a barrel less than sixteen inches
- 23 in length or any firearm designed to be held and fired by the use of a
- 24 single hand;
- 25 (4) Peace officer means any town marshal, <u>University of Nebraska</u>
- 26 police officer, chief of police or local police officer, sheriff or
- 27 deputy sheriff, the Superintendent of Law Enforcement and Public Safety,
- 28 any officer of the Nebraska State Patrol, any member of the National
- 29 Guard on active service by direction of the Governor during periods of
- 30 emergency or civil disorder, any Game and Parks Commission conservation
- 31 officer, and all other persons with similar authority to make arrests;

- 1 (5) Permitholder means an individual holding a current and valid
- 2 permit to carry a concealed handgun issued pursuant to the Concealed
- 3 Handgun Permit Act; and
- 4 (6) Proof of training means an original document or certified copy
- 5 of a document, supplied by an applicant, that certifies that he or she
- 6 either:
- 7 (a) Within the previous three years, has successfully completed a
- 8 handgun training and safety course approved by the Nebraska State Patrol
- 9 pursuant to section 69-2432; or
- 10 (b) Is a member of the active or reserve armed forces of the United
- 11 States or a member of the National Guard and has had handgun training
- 12 within the previous three years which meets the minimum safety and
- 13 training requirements of section 69-2432.
- 14 Sec. 18. Section 71-507, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 15 amended to read:
- 16 71-507 For purposes of sections 71-507 to 71-513:
- 17 (1) Alternate facility means a facility other than a health care
- 18 facility that receives a patient transported to the facility by an
- 19 emergency services provider;
- 20 (2) Department means the Department of Health and Human Services;
- 21 (3) Designated physician means the physician representing the
- 22 emergency services provider as identified by name, address, and telephone
- 23 number on the significant exposure report form. The designated physician
- 24 shall serve as the contact for notification in the event an emergency
- 25 services provider believes he or she has had significant exposure to an
- 26 infectious disease or condition. Each emergency services provider shall
- 27 designate a physician as provided in subsection (2) of section 71-509;
- 28 (4) Emergency services provider means an out-of-hospital emergency
- 29 care provider licensed pursuant to the Emergency Medical Services
- 30 Practice Act or authorized pursuant to the EMS Personnel Licensure
- 31 Interstate Compact, a sheriff, a deputy sheriff, a police officer, a

- 1 University of Nebraska police officer, a state highway patrol officer, a
- 2 funeral director, a paid or volunteer firefighter, a school district
- 3 employee, and a person rendering emergency care gratuitously as described
- 4 in section 25-21,186;
- 5 (5) Funeral director means a person licensed under section 38-1414
- 6 or an employee of such a person with responsibility for transport or
- 7 handling of a deceased human;
- 8 (6) Funeral establishment means a business licensed under section
- 9 38-1419;
- 10 (7) Health care facility has the meaning found in sections 71-419,
- 11 71-420, 71-424, and 71-429 or any facility that receives patients of
- 12 emergencies who are transported to the facility by emergency services
- 13 providers;
- 14 (8) Infectious disease or condition means hepatitis B, hepatitis C,
- 15 meningococcal meningitis, active pulmonary tuberculosis, human
- 16 immunodeficiency virus, diphtheria, plague, hemorrhagic fevers, rabies,
- 17 and such other diseases as the department may by rule and regulation
- 18 specify;
- 19 (9) Patient means an individual who is sick, injured, wounded,
- 20 deceased, or otherwise helpless or incapacitated;
- 21 (10) Patient's attending physician means the physician having the
- 22 primary responsibility for the patient as indicated on the records of a
- 23 health care facility;
- 24 (11) Provider agency means any law enforcement agency, University of
- 25 Nebraska police department, fire department, emergency medical service,
- 26 funeral establishment, or other entity which employs or directs emergency
- 27 services providers or public safety officials;
- 28 (12) Public safety official means a sheriff, a deputy sheriff, a
- 29 police officer, <u>a University of Nebraska police officer</u>, a state highway
- 30 patrol officer, a paid or volunteer firefighter, a school district
- 31 employee, and any civilian law enforcement employee or volunteer

1 performing his or her duties, other than those as an emergency services

- 2 provider;
- 3 (13) Responsible person means an individual who has been designated
- 4 by an alternate facility to carry out the facility's responsibilities
- 5 under sections 71-507 to 71-513. A responsible person may be designated
- 6 on a case-by-case basis;
- 7 (14) Significant exposure means a situation in which the body
- 8 fluids, including blood, saliva, urine, respiratory secretions, or feces,
- 9 of a patient or individual have entered the body of an emergency services
- 10 provider or public safety official through a body opening including the
- 11 mouth or nose, a mucous membrane, or a break in skin from cuts or
- 12 abrasions, from a contaminated needlestick or scalpel, from intimate
- 13 respiratory contact, or through any other situation when the patient's or
- 14 individual's body fluids may have entered the emergency services
- 15 provider's or public safety official's body or when an airborne pathogen
- 16 may have been transmitted from the patient or individual to the emergency
- 17 services provider or public safety official; and
- 18 (15) Significant exposure report form means the form used by the
- 19 emergency services provider to document information necessary for
- 20 notification of significant exposure to an infectious disease or
- 21 condition.
- 22 Sec. 19. Section 71-910, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 23 amended to read:
- 71-910 Peace officer or law enforcement officer means a sheriff, a
- 25 jailer, a marshal, a police officer, a University of Nebraska police
- 26 officer, or an officer of the Nebraska State Patrol.
- 27 Sec. 20. Section 81-1401, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 28 2018, is amended to read:
- 29 81-1401 For purposes of sections 81-1401 to 81-1414.10, unless the
- 30 context otherwise requires:
- 31 (1) Commission means the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and

- 1 Criminal Justice;
- 2 (2) Council means the Nebraska Police Standards Advisory Council;
- 3 (3) Director means the director of the Nebraska Law Enforcement
- 4 Training Center;
- 5 (4) Felony means a crime punishable by imprisonment for a term of
- 6 more than one year or a crime committed outside of Nebraska which would
- 7 be punishable by imprisonment for a term of more than one year if
- 8 committed in Nebraska;
- 9 (5) Handgun means any firearm with a barrel less than sixteen inches
- 10 in length or any firearm designed to be held and fired by the use of a
- 11 single hand;
- 12 (6) Incapacity means incapable of or lacking the ability to perform
- 13 or carry out the usual duties of a law enforcement officer in accordance
- 14 with the standards established by the commission due to physical, mental,
- 15 or emotional factors. Incapacity does not exist if a law enforcement
- 16 officer remains employed as a law enforcement officer, including
- 17 employment as a law enforcement officer in a restricted or limited-duty
- 18 status;
- 19 (7) Law enforcement agency means the police department or the town
- 20 marshal in incorporated municipalities, the office of sheriff in
- 21 unincorporated areas, any University of Nebraska police department, and
- 22 the Nebraska State Patrol;
- 23 (8)(a) Law enforcement officer means any person who is responsible
- 24 for the prevention or detection of crime or the enforcement of the penal,
- 25 traffic, or highway laws of the state or any political subdivision of the
- 26 state for more than one hundred hours per year and is authorized by law
- 27 to make arrests and includes, but is not limited to:
- 28 (i) A full-time or part-time member of the Nebraska State Patrol;
- 29 (ii) A county sheriff;
- 30 (iii) A full-time, part-time, or reserve employee of a county
- 31 sheriff's office;

1 (iv) A full-time, part-time, or reserve employee of a municipal or

- 2 village police agency;
- 3 (v) A full-time or part-time Game and Parks Commission conservation
- 4 officer;
- 5 (vi) A full-time or part-time deputy state sheriff; or
- 6 (vii) A full-time or part-time University of Nebraska police
- 7 officer; or
- 8 <u>(viii)</u> A full-time employee of an organized and paid fire
- 9 department of any city of the metropolitan class who is an authorized
- 10 arson investigator and whose duties consist of determining the cause,
- 11 origin, and circumstances of fires or explosions while on duty in the
- 12 course of an investigation;
- 13 (b) Law enforcement officer does not include employees of the
- 14 Department of Correctional Services, probation officers under the
- 15 Nebraska Probation System, parole officers appointed by the Director of
- 16 Supervision and Services of the Division of Parole Supervision, or
- 17 employees of the Department of Revenue under section 77-366; and
- 18 (c) A law enforcement officer shall possess a valid law enforcement
- 19 officer certificate or diploma, as established by the council, in order
- 20 to be vested with the authority of this section, but this subdivision
- 21 does not prohibit an individual from receiving a conditional appointment
- 22 as an officer pursuant to subsection (2) of section 81-1414;
- 23 (9) Training academy means the training center or such other
- 24 council-approved law enforcement training facility operated and
- 25 maintained by a law enforcement agency which offers certification
- 26 training that meets or exceeds the certification training curriculum of
- 27 the training center;
- 28 (10) Training center means the Nebraska Law Enforcement Training
- 29 Center; and
- 30 (11) Training school means a public or private institution of higher
- 31 education, including the University of Nebraska, the Nebraska state

1 colleges, and the community colleges of this state, that offers training

- 2 in a council-approved pre-certification course.
- 3 Sec. 21. Section 81-1452, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 4 2018, is amended to read:
- 5 81-1452 For purposes of sections 81-1452 to 81-1454, unless the
- 6 context otherwise requires:
- 7 (1) Body-worn camera means a device worn by a peace officer in
- 8 uniform which has the capability to record both audio and video of an
- 9 interaction between a peace officer and a member of the public but does
- 10 not include any device used by a plain clothes officer;
- 11 (2) Commission means the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and
- 12 Criminal Justice;
- 13 (3) Law enforcement agency means an agency or department of this
- 14 state or of any political subdivision of this state which is responsible
- 15 for the prevention and detection of crime, the enforcement of the penal,
- 16 traffic, or highway laws of this state or any political subdivision of
- 17 this state, and the enforcement of arrest warrants. Law enforcement
- 18 agency includes a police department, an office of a town marshal, an
- 19 office of a county sheriff, a University of Nebraska police department,
- 20 the Nebraska State Patrol, and any department to which a deputy state
- 21 sheriff is assigned as provided in section 84-106; and
- 22 (4) Peace officer means any officer or employee of a law enforcement
- 23 agency authorized by law to make arrests.
- 24 Sec. 22. Section 81-1455, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 25 2018, is amended to read:
- 26 81-1455 (1) On or before January 1, 2017, the Nebraska State Patrol,
- 27 each county sheriff, each city or village police department, and any
- 28 other law enforcement agency in this state and, beginning January 1,
- 29 <u>2020, each University of Nebraska police department, which conducts</u>
- 30 eyewitness suspect identifications shall adopt a written policy on
- 31 eyewitness suspect identifications and provide a copy of such policy to

- 1 the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice. The
- 2 policy shall include the minimum standards developed by the commission
- 3 relating to the following: (a) Standards which describe the
- 4 administration of a lineup, (b) procedures governing the instructions
- 5 given by a peace officer to an eyewitness, and (c) procedures for
- 6 documentation of the eyewitness's level of certainty of an
- 7 identification.
- 8 (2) The Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice
- 9 shall distribute a standard model written policy on suspect
- 10 identification by eyewitnesses. Any law enforcement agency described in
- 11 subsection (1) of this section which fails to adopt its own policy as
- 12 required by this section shall adopt the commission's standard model
- 13 written policy.
- 14 Sec. 23. (1) University of Nebraska police officers employed by the
- 15 chief executive officer of the University of Nebraska; the chancellors of
- 16 the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, the University of Nebraska at Omaha,
- 17 the University of Nebraska at Kearney, the University of Nebraska Medical
- 18 <u>Center; or any other postsecondary educational institution designated by</u>
- 19 the Legislature to be a part of the University of Nebraska have authority
- 20 to aid state and local law enforcement agencies; enforce state law and
- 21 city and village ordinances; and enforce the policies, bylaws, rules, and
- 22 regulations of the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska and its
- 23 <u>campuses</u>, whether or not violation thereof constitutes a criminal
- 24 offense. Upon satisfaction of the training requirements in section
- 25 81-1414, University of Nebraska police officers shall have the power and
- 26 authority of law enforcement officers and peace officers throughout this
- 27 <u>state, including, but not limited to:</u>
- 28 (a) On property owned, occupied, or operated by the Board of Regents
- 29 of the University of Nebraska; an endowment association; an affiliated
- 30 corporation; an athletic association; a fraternity, sorority, or other
- 31 student group associated with the University of Nebraska; or at the site

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of a function or academic program sponsored by the University of 1

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- 2 Nebraska;
- (b) Within the city or village or county where such property, as 3
- 4 described in subdivision (1)(a) of this section, is located, as necessary
- to protect the health, safety, and welfare of students, faculty, and 5
- 6 staff of the University of Nebraska;
- 7 (c) Wherever University of Nebraska activities are taking place; or
- (d) When there is reason to believe that a violation of state law or 8
- 9 a city or village ordinance has occurred. In such case, University of
- Nebraska police officers may investigate and arrest persons for such 10
- violation anywhere as identified in subdivisions (1)(a), (b), and (c) of 11
- this section. University of Nebraska police officers shall also have 12
- 13 authority to transport persons in custody to an appropriate facility,
- wherever located. 14
- (2) In performance of any of the powers, duties, and functions 15
- authorized by this section or any other law, University of Nebraska 16
- 17 police officers shall have the same responsibilities, rights,
- protections, and immunities afforded to other law enforcement officers 18
- 19 and peace officers under law.
- (3) Any University of Nebraska law enforcement agency may, under the 20
- Interlocal Cooperation Act, enter into an agreement with a city or 21
- 22 village or county for supplemental law enforcement services. Under such
- an agreement, city or village or county law enforcement personnel may 23
- 24 have enforcement authority when working directly with University of
- 25 Nebraska agencies providing services at university events and activities
- as set forth in the agreement. Unless otherwise set forth in the 26
- 27 agreement, each participating city or village or county shall provide
- 28 liability insurance coverage for its own law enforcement personnel under
- section 13-1802. 29
- Sec. 24. Section 85-2602, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 30
- 2018, is amended to read: 31

- 1 85-2602 For purposes of the Law Enforcement Education Act:
- 2 (1) Associate degree program means a degree program at a community
- 3 college, state college, or state university which typically requires
- 4 completion of an organized program of study of at least sixty semester
- 5 credit hours or an equivalent that can be shown to accomplish the same
- 6 goal. Associate degree program does not include a baccalaureate degree
- 7 program;
- 8 (2) Baccalaureate degree program means a degree program at a
- 9 community college, state college, or state university which typically
- 10 requires completion of an organized program of study of at least one
- 11 hundred twenty semester credit hours or an equivalent that can be shown
- 12 to accomplish the same goal;
- 13 (3) Community college means a public postsecondary educational
- 14 institution which is part of the community college system and includes
- 15 all branches and campuses of such institution located within the State of
- 16 Nebraska;
- 17 (4) Law enforcement officer means any person who is responsible for
- 18 the prevention or detection of crime or the enforcement of the penal,
- 19 traffic, or highway laws of the State of Nebraska or any political
- 20 subdivision of the state for more than one hundred hours per year and who
- 21 is authorized by law to make arrests;
- 22 (5) Law enforcement agency means a police department in a
- 23 municipality, a sheriff's office, <u>a University of Nebraska police</u>
- 24 <u>department</u>, and the Nebraska State Patrol;
- 25 (6) State college means a public postsecondary educational
- 26 institution which is part of the Nebraska state college system and
- 27 includes all branches and campuses of such institution located within the
- 28 State of Nebraska;
- 29 (7) State university means a public postsecondary educational
- 30 institution which is part of the University of Nebraska and includes all
- 31 branches and campuses of such institution located within the State of

- 1 Nebraska; and
- 2 (8) Tuition means the charges and cost of tuition as set by the
- 3 governing body of a state university, state college, or community
- 4 college.
- 5 Sec. 25. Section 86-802, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 6 amended to read:
- 7 86-802 For purposes of the Kelsey Smith Act:
- 8 (1) Call location information means the best available location
- 9 information, including, but not limited to, information obtained using
- 10 historical cellular site information or a mobile locator tool;
- 11 (2) Law enforcement agency means a police department, a town
- 12 marshal, the office of sheriff, <u>a University of Nebraska police</u>
- 13 <u>department</u>, and the Nebraska State Patrol;
- 14 (3) Wireless carrier has the same meaning as in section 86-456; and
- 15 (4) Wireless communication device means any wireless electronic
- 16 communication device that provides for voice or data communication
- 17 between two or more parties, including a mobile or cellular telephone.
- 18 Sec. 26. Original sections 25-21,303, 28-109, 28-359, 28-710,
- 19 28-1008, 29-4103, 49-801, 53-1,121, 60-646, 60-683, 69-2429, 71-507,
- 20 71-910, and 86-802, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections
- 21 20-502, 20-504, 28-470, 42-903, 48-202, 54-902, 81-1401, 81-1452,
- 22 81-1455, and 85-2602, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2018, are
- 23 repealed.