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- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to postsecondary education; to require a
- 2 sexual assault campus climate survey, a report, and training.
- 3 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Once every two years, each public postsecondary
2 educational institution shall administer an anonymous sexual assault
3 campus climate survey to its students.

4 (2) Participation in the survey shall be voluntary. No student shall
5 be required to participate in the survey. No student shall face
6 retribution or negative consequences of any kind for declining to
7 participate.

8 (3) Each public postsecondary educational institution shall develop
9 a survey and establish procedures for administration of the survey on
10 each of its campuses.

11 (4) On or before September 1, 2019, and September 1 of each odd-
12 numbered year thereafter, each public postsecondary educational
13 institution shall electronically submit a report to the Legislature that
14 includes the results of the sexual assault campus climate survey and
15 contains information about the number of sexual assault complaints made
16 to the institution during the two-year reporting period. The report shall
17 not include the personal information of victims or perpetrators. Each
18 public postsecondary educational institution shall also post the report
19 on the web site for each campus of such institution and in any other
20 manner or venue the institution deems necessary or appropriate. The
21 report shall include information regarding:

- 22 (a) Types of sexual misconduct;
- 23 (b) The outcome of each investigation into sexual misconduct; and
- 24 (c) Disciplinary actions taken by the institution.

25 (5) On or before January 1, 2020, each public postsecondary
26 educational institution shall develop a program for training for all
27 individuals involved in implementing student grievance procedures
28 relating to sexual assaults or sexual misconduct policy violations,
29 including individuals responsible for resolving complaints and
30 interviewing alleged victims. The training program may be developed in
31 consultation with state or local victim services organizations. Each

1 public postsecondary educational institution shall ensure that such
2 individuals receive such training beginning no later than the beginning
3 of the 2020-21 school year.