

AMENDMENTS TO LB371

Introduced by Hunt, 8.

1 1. Strike the original section and insert the following new section:

2 Section 1. (1) The Legislature finds that there is a well-  
3 documented history of indoctrination and sexual abuse perpetrated by  
4 religious leaders and clergy people upon children. Abusers within  
5 churches and other religious institutions often use events like church or  
6 youth-group-sponsored camps and retreats to earn children's trust and  
7 gain unsupervised access to such children in order to commit such abuse.

8 (2) For purposes of this section, religious indoctrination camp  
9 means a camp, vacation Bible study, retreat, lock-in, or convention held  
10 by a church, youth group, or religious organization for the purpose of  
11 indoctrinating children with a specific set of religious beliefs.

12 (3)(a) No individual under nineteen years of age shall be present at  
13 a religious indoctrination camp. Any person nineteen years of age or  
14 older who knowingly brings an individual under nineteen years of age to a  
15 religious indoctrination camp shall be guilty of a Class I misdemeanor.

16 (b) No individual under twenty-one years of age shall be present at  
17 a religious indoctrination camp if alcoholic liquor is being served at  
18 such location, regardless if such alcoholic liquor is being served as  
19 part of a religious ceremony.

20 (4)(a) Any business, establishment, or nonprofit organization that  
21 hosts a religious indoctrination camp and allows an individual (i) under  
22 nineteen years of age in violation of subdivision (3)(a) of this section  
23 or (ii) under twenty-one years of age in violation of subdivision (3)(b)  
24 of this section to be present at a religious indoctrination camp shall be  
25 fined ten thousand dollars for each violation of this section. Any fines  
26 collected under this section shall be remitted to the State Treasurer for  
27 distribution in accordance with Article VII, section 5, of the

1 Constitution of Nebraska.

2 (b) An officer or owner of a business, establishment, or nonprofit  
3 organization that hosts a religious indoctrination camp and knowingly  
4 allows an individual (i) under nineteen years of age in violation of  
5 subdivision (3)(a) of this section or (ii) under twenty-one years of age  
6 in violation of subdivision (3)(b) of this section to be present at a  
7 religious indoctrination camp shall be guilty of a Class I misdemeanor.

8 (5) No state agency that receives state funds shall use such funds  
9 to host a religious indoctrination camp.