

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1195

Approved by the Governor April 14, 2026

Introduced by Storer, 43.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to jails; to amend section 47-111, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change requirements relating to female inmates of county jails and matrons; to require compliance of county and city jails with certain rules and regulations of the Jail Standards Board; and to repeal the original section.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. Section 47-111, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

47-111 (1) This section applies to a county containing a city of the metropolitan class or a city of the primary class.

(2) In every county jail where there is a female prisoner, twenty-four-hour supervision shall be provided by a female correctional officer matron appointed by the county board, whose duty it shall be to have entire charge of the female prisoners. The , and the board may also in its discretion appoint a female correctional officer such matron when there is a sick prisoner or one that is a minor under the age of sixteen.

(3) Such female correctional officers matrons shall:

(a) Be be under the direction of the sheriff or such other person as may be charged with the administrative direction of the jail;

(b) Take , shall take the necessary oath before entering upon the duties of the office;

(c) Be , and shall be paid by the board from the county treasury only for the time actually engaged; and

(d) When required, report to the board or district judges. Provided, that in counties having a population in excess of two hundred thousand inhabitants, a deputy or correctional officer shall be hired by the person whose duty it shall be to have charge of the female prisoners and perform those functions required of a deputy related to such duty, at a salary of not less than five hundred dollars per month, which salary shall be drawn out of the county treasury. Such matron, deputy, or correctional officer shall, when required, report to the board or district judges.

Sec. 2. Each county and city jail shall comply with the rules and regulations of the Jail Standards Board concerning cross-gender supervision and cross-gender searches of inmates.

Sec. 3. Original section 47-111, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is repealed.