LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE BILL 772

Introduced by Day, 49; Blood, 3; Cavanaugh, M., 6. Read first time January 05, 2022 Committee: Judiciary

1	A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to prohibit
2	providers of services relating to examination or treatment of
3	injuries arising from sexual assault, domestic assault, and child
4	abuse from taking actions relating to victims' debts for such
5	services.

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

1	Section 1. <u>(1) A health care provider, emergency medical services</u>
2	provider, laboratory, or pharmacy providing medical services,
3	transportation, medications, or other services related to the examination
4	or treatment of injuries arising out of sexual assault as defined in
5	section 29-4309, domestic assault under section 28-323, or child abuse
6	under section 28-707 shall not:
7	<u>(a) Refer a bill for such services to a collection agency or</u>
8	attorney for collection against the victim or the victim's guardian or
9	family;
10	<u>(b) Distribute information regarding such services and status of</u>
11	payment in any way that would affect the credit rating of the victim or
12	<u>the victim's guardian or family;</u>
13	<u>(c) Take any other action adverse to the victim or the victim's</u>
14	guardian or family on account of providing such services.
15	(2) This section shall not be construed to prevent an entity
16	described in subsection (1) of this section from otherwise seeking
17	payment for such services from the victim or any other source.