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SENATE BILL

No. 1334

Introduced by Senator Stone

February 19, 2016

An act to amend Section 11160 of the Penal Code, relating to crime reporting.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1334, as amended, Stone. Crime reporting: health practitioners: ~~human trafficking. reports.~~

Existing law requires a health practitioner, as specified, who, in his or her professional capacity or within the scope of his or her employment, provides medical services to a patient who he or she knows, or reasonably suspects, has suffered from a wound or other physical injury where the injury is by means of a firearm or is the result of assaultive or abusive conduct, to make a report to a law enforcement agency, as specified. Existing law defines "assaultive or abusive conduct" for these purposes as a violation of specified crimes. Under existing law, a violation of this provision is a crime.

This bill would require a health care practitioner who provides medical services to a patient who discloses that he or she is seeking treatment due to being the victim of assaultive or abusive conduct, to additionally make a report to a law enforcement agency. ~~The bill would also add the crime of human trafficking to the list of crimes that constitute assaultive or abusive conduct for purposes of the above reporting requirements and the reporting requirements added by this bill.~~ By increasing the scope of an existing crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.

State-mandated local program: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 11160 of the Penal Code is amended to
2 read:

3 11160. (a) (1) A health practitioner employed in a health
4 facility, clinic, physician’s office, local or state public health
5 department, or a clinic or other type of facility operated by a local
6 or state public health department who, in his or her professional
7 capacity or within the scope of his or her employment, provides
8 medical services for a physical condition to a patient who he or
9 she knows, or reasonably suspects, is a person described as follows,
10 shall immediately make a report in accordance with subdivision

11 (b):

12 (A) A person suffering from a wound or other physical injury
13 inflicted by his or her own act or inflicted by another where the
14 injury is by means of a firearm.

15 (B) A person suffering from a wound or other physical injury
16 inflicted upon the person where the injury is the result of assaultive
17 or abusive conduct.

18 (2) A health practitioner employed in a health facility, clinic,
19 physician’s office, local or state public health department, or a
20 clinic or other type of facility operated by a local or state public
21 health department who, in his or her professional capacity or within
22 the scope of his or her employment, provides medical services to
23 a patient who discloses that he or she is seeking treatment due to
24 being the victim of assaultive or abusive conduct, shall immediately
25 make a report in accordance with subdivision (b).

26 (b) A health practitioner employed in a health facility, clinic,
27 physician’s office, local or state public health department, or a
28 clinic or other type of facility operated by a local or state public
29 health department shall make a report regarding persons described
30 in subdivision (a) to a local law enforcement agency as follows:

1 (1) A report by telephone shall be made immediately or as soon
2 as practically possible.

3 (2) A written report shall be prepared on the standard form
4 developed in compliance with paragraph (4) of this subdivision
5 adopted by the Office of Emergency Services, or on a form
6 developed and adopted by another state agency that otherwise
7 fulfills the requirements of the standard form. The completed form
8 shall be sent to a local law enforcement agency within two working
9 days of receiving the information regarding the person.

10 (3) A local law enforcement agency shall be notified and a
11 written report shall be prepared and sent pursuant to paragraphs
12 (1) and (2) even if the person who suffered the wound, other injury,
13 or assaultive or abusive conduct has expired, regardless of whether
14 or not the wound, other injury, or assaultive or abusive conduct
15 was a factor contributing to the death, and even if the evidence of
16 the conduct of the perpetrator of the wound, other injury, or
17 assaultive or abusive conduct was discovered during an autopsy.

18 (4) The report shall include, but shall not be limited to, the
19 following:

20 (A) The name of the injured, assaulted, or abused person, if
21 known.

22 (B) The injured, assaulted, or abused person's whereabouts.

23 (C) The character and extent of the person's injuries, if any.

24 (D) The identity of a person the injured, assaulted, or abused
25 person alleges inflicted the wound, other injury, or assaultive or
26 abusive conduct upon the injured person.

27 (c) For the purposes of this section, "injury" shall not include
28 any psychological or physical condition brought about solely
29 through the voluntary administration of a narcotic or restricted
30 dangerous drug.

31 (d) For the purposes of this section, "assaultive or abusive
32 conduct" includes any of the following offenses:

33 (1) Murder, in violation of Section 187.

34 (2) Manslaughter, in violation of Section 192 or 192.5.

35 (3) Mayhem, in violation of Section 203.

36 (4) Aggravated mayhem, in violation of Section 205.

37 (5) Torture, in violation of Section 206.

38 (6) Assault with intent to commit mayhem, rape, sodomy, or
39 oral copulation, in violation of Section 220.

- 1 (7) Administering controlled substances or anesthetic to aid in
- 2 commission of a felony, in violation of Section 222.
- 3 ~~(8) Human trafficking, in violation of Section 236.1.~~
- 4 ~~(9)~~
- 5 (8) Battery, in violation of Section 242.
- 6 ~~(10)~~
- 7 (9) Sexual battery, in violation of Section 243.4.
- 8 ~~(11)~~
- 9 (10) Incest, in violation of Section 285.
- 10 ~~(12)~~
- 11 (11) Throwing any vitriol, corrosive acid, or caustic chemical
- 12 with intent to injure or disfigure, in violation of Section 244.
- 13 ~~(13)~~
- 14 (12) Assault with a stun gun or taser, in violation of Section
- 15 244.5.
- 16 ~~(14)~~
- 17 (13) Assault with a deadly weapon, firearm, assault weapon, or
- 18 machinegun, or by means likely to produce great bodily injury, in
- 19 violation of Section 245.
- 20 ~~(15)~~
- 21 (14) Rape, in violation of Section 261.
- 22 ~~(16)~~
- 23 (15) Spousal rape, in violation of Section 262.
- 24 ~~(17)~~
- 25 (16) Procuring a female to have sex with another man, in
- 26 violation of Section 266, 266a, 266b, or 266c.
- 27 ~~(18)~~
- 28 (17) Child abuse or endangerment, in violation of Section 273a
- 29 or 273d.
- 30 ~~(19)~~
- 31 (18) Abuse of spouse or cohabitant, in violation of Section
- 32 273.5.
- 33 ~~(20)~~
- 34 (19) Sodomy, in violation of Section 286.
- 35 ~~(21)~~
- 36 (20) Lewd and lascivious acts with a child, in violation of
- 37 Section 288.
- 38 ~~(22)~~
- 39 (21) Oral copulation, in violation of Section 288a.
- 40 ~~(23)~~

1 (22) Sexual penetration, in violation of Section 289.

2 ~~(24)~~

3 (23) Elder abuse, in violation of Section 368.

4 ~~(25)~~

5 (24) An attempt to commit any crime specified in paragraphs
6 (1) to ~~(24)~~ (23), inclusive.

7 (e) If two or more persons who are required to report are present
8 and jointly have knowledge of a known or suspected instance of
9 violence that is required to be reported pursuant to this section,
10 and if there is an agreement among these persons to report as a
11 team, the team may select by mutual agreement a member of the
12 team to make a report by telephone and a single written report, as
13 required by subdivision (b). The written report shall be signed by
14 the selected member of the reporting team. A member who has
15 knowledge that the member designated to report has failed to do
16 so shall thereafter make the report.

17 (f) The reporting duties under this section are individual, except
18 as provided in subdivision (e).

19 (g) A supervisor or administrator shall not impede or inhibit the
20 reporting duties required under this section and a person making
21 a report pursuant to this section shall not be subject to sanction for
22 making the report. However, internal procedures to facilitate
23 reporting and apprise supervisors and administrators of reports
24 may be established, except that these procedures shall not be
25 inconsistent with this article. The internal procedures shall not
26 require an employee required to make a report under this article
27 to disclose his or her identity to the employer.

28 (h) For the purposes of this section, it is the Legislature's intent
29 to avoid duplication of information.

30 SEC. 2. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to
31 Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because
32 the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school
33 district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or
34 infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty
35 for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of
36 the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within
37 the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California
38 Constitution.

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