## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 443**

Approved by the Governor March 27, 2019

Introduced by McCollister, 20.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Treatment and Corrections Act; to amend section 83-181, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to require the Department of Correctional Services to allow committed offenders to communicate with their attorneys as prescribed; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

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

Section 1. Section 83-181, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is amended to read:

83-181 (1) Each person committed <u>offender</u> to the <u>Department</u> of <u>Correctional Services</u> shall have regular medical and dental care. Each <u>committed offender</u> person shall be adequately fed and clothed in accordance with the regulations of the <u>department</u> <u>Department</u> of <u>Correctional Services</u>. No <u>committed</u> offender shall be required to wear stripes or other degrading apparel.

(2) The department shall allow each committed offender reasonable access to his or her attorney or attorneys. If a committed offender communicates with his or her attorney or attorneys by telephone or videoconferencing, such communication shall be provided without charge to the committed offender and without monitoring or recording by the department or law enforcement.

Sec. 2. Original section 83-181, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is repealed.