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LEGISLATIVE BILL 596

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Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to legal notices; to amend section 25-2228,
- 2 Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions
- 3 relating to how legal notices are published; and to repeal the
- 4 original section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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Section 1. Section 25-2228, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,

2 2024, is amended to read:

25-2228 (1) All legal publications and notices of whatever kind or 3 4 character that may by law be required to be published a certain number of 5 days or a certain number of weeks shall be legally published when they 6 have been (a) published in one issue in each week in a daily, semiweekly, 7 or triweekly newspaper, such publication in such daily, semiweekly, or triweekly paper or papers to be made upon any one day of the week upon 8 which such paper is published, or (b) published on a website or 9 10 application of a digital news publication for the certain number of days or certain number of weeks required, if a digital news publication does 11 not have a print publication. Nothing in this section shall be construed 12 13 as preventing the publication of such legal notices and publications in weekly newspapers. Any newspaper or digital news publication publishing 14 such legal notices or publications as provided in this section shall be 15 16 otherwise qualified under existing law to publish such notices or 17 publications. All legal publications and all notices of whatever kind or character that may be required by law to be published a certain number of 18 days or a certain number of weeks, shall be and hereby are declared to be 19 legally published when they shall have been published once a week in a 20 weekly, semiweekly, triweekly, or daily newspaper for the number of 21 22 weeks, or for the certain number of days or weeks on a website or application covering the period of publication. For the purpose of this 23 section, when a newspaper is published regularly four or more times each 24 25 week, it shall be deemed a daily newspaper.

(2) Beginning October 1, 2022, all legal publications and notices of whatever kind or character that may by law be required to be published a certain number of days or a certain number of weeks shall also be posted by the newspaper or digital news publication publishing such legal publications or notices on a statewide website established and maintained as a repository for such notices by a majority of Nebraska newspapers. A

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- 1 website posting or a failure to make such website posting under this
- 2 subsection shall not affect the validity of the publication or notice
- 3 published under subsection (1) of this section.
- 4 Sec. 2. Original section 25-2228, Revised Statutes Cumulative
- 5 Supplement, 2024, is repealed.