

# **One Hundred Eighth Legislature - Second Session - 2024**

## **Introducer's Statement of Intent**

### **LB1261**

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**Chairperson: Senator Ben Hansen**

**Committee: Health and Human Services**

**Date of Hearing: February 28, 2024**

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB1261 adopts the Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Respite Services Act. The act provides for coordinated respite services to be available and reliable when needed by families and caregivers in Nebraska. The bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to partner with a statewide nonprofit to deliver Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis respite care programs.

The purpose of this bill is to reduce family and caregiver stress, enhance family and caregiver coping ability, and strengthen the ability of family and caregivers to meet the challenging demands of caring for family members with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Senator Lynne Walz**