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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB1016

Chairperson: Senator Kathy Campbell

Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: February 01, 2012

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

This bill would authorize the Dept. of Health and Human Services to enter into agreements with community-based organizations to provide information, assistance and outreach to persons who are having difficulty using the ACCESS Nebraska web-based interface and call centers. The organizations would not enroll persons in public benefit programs – that would remain the exclusive role of staff of the Department. This bill would help ensure that low-income Nebraskans get the services they need.

For purposes of this bill, community-based organization means one of the following: 2) an area agency on aging; b) a Nebraska-based community action agency; c) a Nebraska-based center for independent living; d) a Nebraska-based rural health clinic; e) a Nebraska-based federally qualified health center; and f) any other organization that demonstrates to the Department that it can provide the service.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Danielle Conrad