

**ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2014**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB893**

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**Hearing Date:** Friday February 21, 2014  
**Committee On:** Judiciary  
**Introducer:** Seiler  
**One Liner:** Change the amount recoverable under the Nebraska Hospital-Medical Liability Act

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**Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**  
Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

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**Vote Results:**

<b>Aye:</b>	7	Senators Ashford, Christensen, Coash, Davis, Lathrop, McGill, Seiler
<b>Nay:</b>		
<b>Absent:</b>	1	Senator Chambers
<b>Present Not Voting:</b>		

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<b>Proponents:</b>	<b>Representing:</b>
SEN. LES SEILER	INTRODUCER
PETER WHITTED	SELF
THOMAS SHOMAKER	SELF
ANGELA GUORIN	SELF
LOREN SCHMIT	SELF

<b>Opponents:</b>	<b>Representing:</b>
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<b>Neutral:</b>	<b>Representing:</b>
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**Summary of purpose and/or changes:**

LB893 would amend 44-2825, to increase the cap on damages under the Nebraska Hospital-Medical Liability Act. LB893 provides that the amount recoverable may not exceed \$2 million for any occurrence after December 31, 2014. Under current law, recovery is limited to \$1.75 million for any occurrence after December 31, 2003.

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**Explanation of amendments:**

AM2222 to LB893 increases the cap on damages to \$2,250,000.

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Brad Ashford, Chairperson