

ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2014
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB901

Hearing Date: Thursday January 30, 2014
Committee On: Health and Human Services
Introducer: McGill
One Liner: Provide for psychology internships through the Behavioral Health Education Center

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Advanced to General File

Vote Results:
Aye: 7 Senators Campbell, Cook, Crawford, Gloor, Howard, Krist, Watermeier
Nay:
Absent:
Present Not Voting:

Proponents:

Senator Amanda McGill
Joseph H. Evans
William Spalding
Lynn F. Clure
Sarah Swanson
Ann Clare

Representing:

District 26
Self
Nebraska Psychological Association
Self
Self
Self

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 901 (McGill): relating to the Behavioral Health Education Center; to amend section 71-830, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2012; to provide for psychology internships as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

The purposes of this Act are to update outdated language and to institute a doctoral-level internship program designed to improve access to behavioral health services for rural and under served populations in Nebraska.

Section 1: 71-830 is amended throughout to remove outdated language. (2) (a) (ii) is added to require the Behavioral Health Education Center to provide funds for five one-year doctoral-level internships in Nebraska within twelve months of its enactment. The center shall increase the number of interns in the program to ten within 36 months of this section's enactment. The interns shall be placed in communities where their presence will improve access to behavioral health services for patients residing in rural and under served areas of Nebraska. (2) (e) is amended to change "Curriculum" to "curricula."

Section 2: the original section is repealed.

Kathy Campbell, Chairperson