

ONE HUNDRED FIFTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 186

Introduced by Howard, 9.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to examine the Nebraska Prescription Drug Monitoring Program and how providers access prescription drug data. The Nebraska Prescription Drug Monitoring Program is housed within the Nebraska Health Information Initiative, a public-private partnership that primarily serves as a home for the state health information exchange. The monitoring program is currently provided at no cost to providers or dispensers and is primarily funded with federal grant money.

This study shall examine the process of monitoring dispensed medication and the implementation of LB471 (2016). The study committee shall also examine issues including, but not limited to:

- (1) The sustainability of the Nebraska Prescription Drug Monitoring Program;
- (2) The extent of opioid abuse in Nebraska;
- (3) Monitoring prescription drug cash payments;
- (4) Current strengths and proposed policy changes needed to increase interstate operability; and
- (5) Continued policy discussion, including access to information for veterinarians and third-party payors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

1. That the Health and Human Services Committee of the Legislature shall be designated to conduct an interim study to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

2. That the committee shall upon the conclusion of its study make a report of its findings, together with its recommendations, to the Legislative Council

or Legislature.