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Introducer's Statement of Intent
LB 1062

Chairperson: Senator Jim Jensen
Committee: Health and Human Services
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The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 1062 is the annual agency cleanup legislation from the Nebraska Health and Human Services System. The bill (1) requires the state IV-D (child support enforcement) agency, instead of the state disbursement unit, to certify child support delinquency records ; (2) changes provisions relating to licensure of physicians, osteopathic physicians and nurses who have been engaged in active practice in another state preceding licensure or relicensure in Nebraska; (3) provides for the performance of assigned functions by unlicensed optometric assistants; (4) changes the definition of "calculated expiration date;" (5) changes nursing references, to delete references to "professional or practical" nursing; (6) changes an accreditation reference for the purpose of licensing veterinarians; (7) changes provisions of the Health Care Facility Licensure Act relating to the definition of adult day services and the reinstatement of licenses placed on probation, and provides for certain permissive activities by the Director of Regulation and Licensure; (8) changes provisions relating to nursing home administration, to eliminate a required state examination, and provide for a range of licensure fees; and (9) expands the number of exempt HHS employees to include the chief executive officers of the Youth Rehabilitation and Treatment Centers in Kearney and Geneva.

The bill has an emergency clause, and outright repeals the State Hospital Survey and Construction Act (sections 71-2001 to 71-2016).

Principal Introducer:

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