



**Ninety-Ninth Legislature - Second Session - 2006  
Committee Statement  
LB 949**

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**Hearing Date:** January 26, 2006  
**Committee On:** Health and Human Services

**Introducer(s):** (Jensen, Howard)  
**Title:** Provide for a statewide immunization registry

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**Roll Call Vote – Final Committee Action:**

- X Advanced to General File
  - Advanced to General File with Amendments
  - Indefinitely Postponed
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**Vote Results:**

6	Yes	Senator Jensen, Cunningham, Erdman, Johnson, Stuthman and Howard
	No	
	Present, not voting	
1	Absent	Senator Johnson

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**Proponents:**

Senator Jensen  
Dr. Linda Ohri  
Cynthia Tiedman  
Nancy Shirley  
Denise Kubik  
Carol Allensworth  
David Buntain  
Linda Lazure  
Jeff Kuhr  
Dr. Joe Fisher  
Kris Stapp

**Representing:**

Introducer  
Nebraska Immunization Registry Coalition  
Nebraska School Nurses Association  
Nebraska Nurses Association  
Metro Omaha Immunization Task Force  
Douglas County Health Department  
Nebraska Medical Association  
Nebraska State Board of Health  
Public Health Association of Nebraska  
Self  
Visiting Nurse Association

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

Dr. John Walburn  
Joni Cover

**Representing:**

Self  
Nebraska Pharmacists Association

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**Summary of purpose and/or changes:** LB 949 permits the Department of Health and Human Services Regulation and Licensure (department) to establish and maintain a statewide

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immunization registry.

The registry must be accessible to public and private immunization providers and must comply with all applicable national standards and federal and state law and rules and regulations.

The department, in consultation with interested parties, is required to submit a plan for such a registry to the Governor and the Legislature on or before December 1, 2006.

The bill provides purposes for the registry. The bill provides that costs associated with administration of the statewide immunization registry must be paid from cash funds, contract receipts, gifts, and grants. No General Funds may be used to pay for such costs.

The department may adopt and promulgate rules and regulations to implement the registry.

**Explanation of amendments, if any:**

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**Senator Jim Jensen, Chairperson**