



**Ninety-Ninth Legislature - Second Session - 2006
Committee Statement
LB 951**

Hearing Date: January 19, 2006
Committee On: Health and Human Services

Introducer(s): (Jensen)
Title: Provide for public assistance for persons with psychiatric or developmental disability

Roll Call Vote – Final Committee Action:

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

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

Proponents:
Senator Jensen
Roger Keetle
Brad Meurrens

Representing:
Introducer
Nebraska Hospital Association
Nebraska Advocacy Services Inc.

Opponents:
Mary Steiner

Representing:
Nebraska Health and Human Services System

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes: LB 951 amends section 68-1005 to clarify and expand provisions relating to eligibility for public assistance to persons with disabilities. To be considered disabled for purposes of receiving such assistance, persons must be “unable to engage in any substantial gainful activity by reason of an medically determinable physical or mental impairment which can be expected to result in death or which has lasted or can be expected to last for a continuous period of not less than one hundred eighty days”

LB 951 adds “psychiatric or developmental disability” as qualifying disabilities for purposes of receiving such assistance.

Explanation of amendments, if any:
