



Ninety-Ninth Legislature - Second Session - 2006  
**Introducer's Statement of Intent**  
**LB 1254**

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**Chairperson:** Jim Jensen  
**Committee:** Health and Human Services  
**Date of Hearing:** February 10, 2006

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 1254 would allow nurse practitioners who have certification in a psychiatric or mental health specialty to independently manage the care of patients committed under the Nebraska Mental Health Commitment Act. Patients who require care beyond the scope of practice of the nurse practitioner shall be referred to an appropriate health care provider.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Senator John Synowiecki**