



**Hundredth Legislature - Second Session - 2008**  
**Introducer's Statement of Intent**  
**LB 1022**

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**Chairperson:** Joel Johnson  
**Committee:** Health and Human Services  
**Date of Hearing:** February 22, 2008

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

The purpose of LB 1022 is to codify a process by which those who sell or otherwise distribute veterinary legend drugs in Nebraska and who are not a pharmacist or veterinarian shall become licensed as a veterinary drug distributor. Veterinary legend drug means a drug which under federal law is required, prior to being distributed, to be labeled with the following statement: "Caution: Federal law restricts this drug to use by or on the order of a licensed veterinarian."

This act is necessary because revisions to the Pharmacy Act in 2005 and the Wholesale Drug Distributor Licensing Act in 2006 left the suppliers of veterinary legend drugs without licensure, oversight and most importantly, without a sufficient understanding of their current legal requirements.

This act creates a new class of license exclusive to those who handle only veterinary legend drugs. Oversight, licensure and inspection will be performed by the Department of Health and Human Services.

**Principal Introducer:**

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**Senator Thomas Hansen**