



Hundredth Legislature - First Session - 2007  
**Introducer's Statement of Intent**  
**LB 327**

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**Chairperson:** Lavon Heidemann  
**Committee:** Appropriations  
**Date of Hearing:** February 27, 2007

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

LB 327, introduced by the Speaker at the request of the Governor, is part of the Governor's biennial budget recommendations.

The bill provides changes to the rate levels established for child care reimbursement following the market rate survey of child care providers in this state by amending Section 43-536. This bill provides that for the two fiscal years beginning July 1, 2007, such rate may be less than the 60<sup>th</sup> percentile but shall not be less than the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile or the current established rates, whichever is greater. This bill will allow Nebraska some flexibility when determining strategies to maintain the state's overall child care budget.

**Principal Introducer:**

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**Senator Mike Flood**  
**At the request of the Governor**