

**ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2009**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB408**

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**Hearing Date:** Friday February 20, 2009  
**Committee On:** Health and Human Services  
**Introducer:** Dierks  
**One Liner:** Authorize consultation between veterinarians and other health care professionals

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**Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**  
Indefinitely postponed

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**Vote Results:**  
**Aye:** 7 Senators Campbell, Gay, Gloor, Howard, Pankonin, Stuthman, Wallman  
**Nay:**  
**Absent:**  
**Present Not Voting:**

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**Proponents:**  
Senator Dierks  
David Ylander  
Henry Cerny

**Representing:**  
Introducer  
Nebraska Board of Veterinary Medicine and Surgery  
Nebraska Veterinary Medical Association

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Summary of purpose and/or changes:**

LB 408 relates to consultations between a licensed veterinarian and other licensed health care professionals. Current law permits licensed health care professionals to consult with a licensed veterinarian contracted with or employed by an accredited zoological park or garden or to perform collaborative animal health care tasks on an animal under the veterinarian's care and if such tasks are performed under the veterinarian's immediate supervision.

LB 408 expands the current law to permit licensed health care professionals to consult with any licensed veterinarian or to perform collaborative health care tasks on an animal under the veterinarian's care and if such tasks are performed under the veterinarian's immediate supervision.

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Tim Gay, Chairperson