

ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

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PURPOSE: The purpose of this interim study is to examine the accessibility of health care providers for persons on medicaid in Nebraska. The committee shall conduct a study that includes, but is not limited to, an examination of the following issues:

(1) An analysis of the geographic distribution of medicaid providers by category of provider;

(2) A historical review of the impact of provider rates on the number of providers who accept medicaid;

(3) An analysis of the prevalence of providers who accept medicaid but limit the number of medicaid-eligible patients in their practice;

(4) A review of the impact of medicaid managed care on provider accessibility; and

(5) An examination of the potential impact on provider availability of the medicaid expansion as a result of the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Public Law 111-148.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

1. That the Appropriations Committee and the Health and Human Services Committee of the Legislature shall be designated to conduct a joint interim study to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

2. That the committees shall upon the conclusion of the study make a report of their findings, together with their recommendations, to the Legislative Council or Legislature.