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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB925

Chairperson: Senator Kathy Campbell

Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: February 08, 2012

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

The purpose of LB925 is to create a preference system for aid distributed under Program 514, Health Aid. The bill directs the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to prioritize those applications for funds from the following:

- Public health departments as defined in 71-1626
- Federally qualified health centers as defined in section 1905(l)(2)(B) of the federal Social Security Act, 42 U.S.C. 1396d(l)(2)(B), as such act and section existed on January 1, 2012, or
- Public or private healthcare facilities that provide comprehensive primary care in addition to preventive care services

DHHS may contract with a public or private health care facility which does not provide comprehensive primary care to prevent the severe limitation or elimination of access to services in any region of the state.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Deb Fischer