

ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 270

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PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to study identification or creation of methods of keeping elderly Nebraskans safe in their homes where they can receive high quality care and support in order to avoid hospitalization, emergency room visits, and long-term facility care. This study shall include, but not be limited to, an examination of the following:

(1) Ways to reduce overall health care expenditures for the elderly by delivery of affordable care in the comfort and safety of their homes;

(2) How to identify or create methods of assistance for the elderly who often have limited incomes, limited resources, and families living at a distance;

(3) New methods of delivery of high quality in-home services to Nebraskans in underserved areas of the state to reduce overall health care expenditures for the elderly population;

(4) Development of one or more pilot projects in identified communities in order to demonstrate how providing high quality care to Nebraskans in their homes would help meet their health care needs in an affordable manner; and

(5) Weaknesses in the current community health care system which results in early transfers of elderly citizens from their residences.

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

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

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