

One Hundred Fourth Legislature - Second Session - 2016

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB1081

Chairperson: Senator Kathy Campbell

Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: February 19, 2016

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

LB1081 creates an exclusion from income when determining eligibility for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and the child care subsidy program. The exclusion is for income received by participants in grant-funded research on the impact that such income has on the development of children in low-income families.

LB1081 ensures that research participants do not lose benefits or access to benefits during a given term of participation. Without the exclusion, benefits will be reduced or lost due to receipt of such income, effectively cancelling out the "increase" which is to be studied and making it difficult or impossible to conduct such research.

The exclusion is limited to no more than four thousand dollars per year for a maximum of four years.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Kathy Campbell