

**ONE HUNDRED FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2017**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB6**

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**Hearing Date:** Friday January 20, 2017  
**Committee On:** Executive Board  
**Introducer:** Krist  
**One Liner:** Provide for release of a summarized report by the office of Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare

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**Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**  
Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

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**Vote Results:**

<b>Aye:</b>	8	Senators Bolz, Chambers, Crawford, Hughes, Kuehn, McCollister, Scheer, Watermeier
<b>Nay:</b>		
<b>Absent:</b>	1	Senator Larson
<b>Present Not Voting:</b>		

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**Verbal Testimony:**

**Proponents:**

Senator Bob Krist  
Julie L Rogers  
Kim B Hawekottee

**Representing:**

District 10  
Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare  
Foster Care Review Office

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

Corey Steele

**Representing:**

Nebraska Supreme Court

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

LB6 authorizes the Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare to release a public summarized final report of an investigation when the IG, the chair of the Health & Human Services Committee, and the chair of the Judiciary Committee determine that doing so is in the public's best interest.

Currently, the IG can only publicly release a summary of completed reports and investigations once per year in an annual report.

LB6 includes the emergency clause.

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**Explanation of amendments:**

The committee amendment (AM38) provides clarifying language regarding when a summarized final report based on an investigation may be publicly released by the Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare.

