

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2023
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB14

Hearing Date: Wednesday February 22, 2023
Committee On: Judiciary
Introducer: Dungan
One Liner: Change provisions under the Young Adult Bridge to Independence Act

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

Vote Results:

Aye:	7	Senators Bosn, DeBoer, DeKay, Holdcroft, Ibach, McKinney, Wayne
Nay:		
Absent:	1	Senator Blood
Present Not Voting:		

Testimony:

Proponents:

Senator George Dungan
Jeanne K. Brandner
Garret Swanson
Sarah Helvey
Lakeisha Phelps
Monika Gross
Diamond Johnson
Anahi Salazar
Hazell Rodriguez
Karolina Yoder

Ivy Svoboda
Lincoln Arneal
Brandy Gustoff

Representing:

District 26
Administrative Office of the Courts and Probation
Holland Children's Movement
Nebraska Appleseed
Self
Foster Care Review Office
Self
Voices for Children in Nebraska
Legal Aid of Nebraska
Self / Nebraska Children and Family Foundation,
Youth Advisory Board
Nebraska Alliance of Child Advocacy Centers
Nebraska Children and Families Foundation
Nebraska Children's Commission / Children and
Family Coalition of Nebraska

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

* ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

The Young Adult Bridge to Independence Act currently allows a juvenile aging out of the juvenile court system on an abuse/neglect case to receive voluntary additional services until age 21.

Section 3 would amend § 43-4504 to expand eligibility to include juveniles in delinquency and status offense cases that have been placed out of their family home.

Section 1 would amend § 43-1311.03 to authorize a court hearing in subdivision (1) and (2) (“delinquency”) and subdivision (3)(b) (“status offense”) cases when a juvenile is in a court-ordered out-of-home placement and the juvenile is within six months of aging out of the juvenile court system. If the court finds that it would be contrary to the juvenile’s welfare to return to the family home, the court shall enter an order that triggers potential eligibility for the Young Adult Bridge to Independence Act.

Section 4 would amend § 43-4505 to include the newly eligible juveniles in the extended services under the bridge to independence program, including medical care.

Explanation of amendments:

AM1146 replaces the original bill and includes LB14 and LB521 and amended versions of LB220 and LB265.

Sections 2, 12, 13, and 16 contain an amended version of LB220.

Section 2 would amend § 29-2261 to require the Department of Correctional Services to provide a copy of an offender’s presentence investigation to the Board of Parole, Division of Parole Supervision, or Board of Pardons upon request.

Section 12 would amend § 81-1850 to require a county attorney to provide the name and address of any victim of a person convicted of a felony to the Board of Parole, Department of Correctional Services, the county corrections agency, the Department of Health and Human Services, and the Board of Pardons. This section would also be amended to require the Board of Pardons to provide notice to victims of certain offenses via certified mail at least thirty days prior to a hearing and within ten days of granting a pardon or commutation.

Section 15 is a new section that is an amended version of LB265. This section would require the Department of Correctional Services to provide each correctional officer protective vests to protect against stabbings.

Section 1 contains the provisions of LB521. This section would amend § 28-470 to provide immunity to school personnel for administering naloxone.

Justin Wayne, Chairperson