

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2023
COMMITTEE STATEMENT (CORRECTED)
LB460

Hearing Date: Monday March 06, 2023
Committee On: Business and Labor
Introducer: McDonnell
One Liner: Provide for reimbursement of mental health examinations and resilience training for certain persons under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye:	6	Senators Halloran, Hansen, B., Hunt, Ibach, McKinney, Riepe
Nay:		
Absent:	1	Senator Blood
Present Not Voting:		

Testimony:

Proponents:

Senator Mike McDonnell
Todd Bennett
Timothy Benak

Michael Dowd
Jerry Stilmock

Representing:

District 5
Nebraska Association Trial Attorney
Nebraska Center for Workforce Development and Education
AFL-CIO
Nebraska St. Volunteer Firefighter Association, Nebraska Fire Chief Association, Nebraska for Workers Compensation Equity and Fairness, National Federation of Independence Business

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

* ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

Legislative Bill 460, relating to mental health injuries or mental illnesses for Nebraska's first responders pursuant to the Nebraska Workers Compensation Act, provides for reimbursement by the Department of Health and Human Services for the cost of mental health examinations and resilience training to the extent not reimbursed by the first responder's employer. Further, the reimbursement rate for mental health examinations would be established by the Critical Incident Stress Management Program, whose lead agency is the Department of Health and Social Services. Presently, only rates are set for resilience training.

Merv Riepe, Chairperson