

One Hundred Eighth Legislature - First Session - 2023

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB87

Chairperson: Senator Justin Wayne

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: February 22, 2023

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

LB 87 changes the legal age to make health care decisions from nineteen to eighteen.

It also allows for youths under nineteen who are committed to the Dept. of Correctional Services to consent to mental health services, medical care and related services during the period of confinement. There is currently one DCS-operated facility for minors in Nebraska: the Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility in Omaha.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Megan Hunt