

One Hundred Ninth Legislature - Second Session - 2026

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB734

Chairperson: Senator Brian Hardin

Committee: Health and Human Services

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

The intent of LB 734 is to opt Nebraska out of a recent federal change to SNAP which imposed work requirements on certain vulnerable groups that have historically been exempt from such requirements. Affected groups include veterans, people experiencing homelessness, and former foster youth who have aged out of care but are under age 24.

LB 734 would require the Department of Health and Human Services to pursue a federal SNAP waiver that would restore SNAP work requirement exemptions for these three vulnerable groups, returning Nebraska's exemptions to what they were prior to passage of the federal H.R.1 (2025).

The bill also strikes language regarding SNAP waivers passed by the legislature in 2025.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Megan Hunt