

One Hundred Ninth Legislature - Second Session - 2026

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB891

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:

LB891 reduces administrative burdens on licensed child care providers under the Child Care Licensing Act and streamlines regulatory barriers to efficiently staffing and operating child care.

The bill aligns Nebraska statute with federal background check regulations designed to reduce staffing disruptions while ensuring child safety. It delineates self-reported licensing investigations on public records. It authorizes eligible volunteers to be counted in staff-to-child ratios in regulations and provides alignment with certain staff qualification and training requirements. It also prevents local regulations from restricting alternative models of care by family child care home providers.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Ben Hansen