ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2014 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB1088

Hearing Date: Thursday February 06, 2014 **Committee On:** Health and Human Services

Introducer: Conrad

One Liner: Change income eligibility provisions relating to federal child care assistance

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye: 6 Senators Krist, Howard, Gloor, Crawford, Cook, Campbell

Nay: 1 Senator Watermeier

Absent:

Present Not Voting:

Proponents: Representing:

Senator Danielle Conrad District 46

Aubrey Mancuso Voices for Children
James Goddard Nebraska Appleseed

Sarah Ann Kotchain Holland Children's Movement

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

The purpose of this bill is to increase the income levels at which the department must provide child care assistance to families.

Section 1: 68-1206 (1) is amended. Under current statute the department shall provide child care assistance to families with incomes up to one hundred twenty-five percent of the federal poverty level for FY2013-14. The bill changes eligibility from one hundred thirty to one hundred thirty-five percent of the federal poverty level for FY2014-15, and one hundred forty percent of the federal poverty level for FY2015-16 and each fiscal year thereafter.

Section 2: The original statute is repealed.

Section 3: Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when passed and approved according to law.

Kathy Campbell, Chairperson