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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB338

Chairperson: Senator Kathy Campbell

Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: March 06, 2013

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

LB 338 amends the Uniform Credentialing Act and the Health Care Facility Licensure Act to prohibit discrimination against persons eligible for medical assistance or covered by Medicaid by licensed health care facilities and licensed health care professionals.

A licensed health care facility or health care professional may be subject to disciplinary action if found discriminating against persons with Medicaid coverage or eligibility. Such finding would be the result of a complaint made to the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services that is reviewed, as is currently the case with any unsolicited complaint, upon application for renewal of licensure.

A health care facility or health care professional that is providing care as a patient-centered medical home is deemed to be providing care to Medicaid patients on a non-discriminatory basis.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Mike Gloor