ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2015 COMMITTEE STATEMENT

LB342

Hearing Date: Committee On: Introducer: One Liner:		
Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action: Advanced to General File		
Vote Results:		
Aye:	7	Senators Campbell, Gloor, Howard, Lindstrom, Scheer, Schumacher, Williams
Nay:		
Absent:	1	Senator Craighead
Present No	t Voting:	
	Verbal Testin	nony:
Proponents:		Representing:
Senator Sara Howard		Introducer
Jerome Wohleb		NE Pharmacist Association
Eric Dunning		Blue Cross and Blue Shield of NE
Ann Frohman		NE Medical Association
Joni Cover		NE Pharmacists Association
Opponents:		Representing:
Neutral:		Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

This bill would provide that, on and after January 1, 2016, a health insurer may contract with a licensed pharmacist for pharmacist professional services.

The bill would provide (1) that it does not prohibit an insurer from contracting with a licensed pharmacist who is not employed or associated with a pharmacy, and (2) that it does not require a licensed pharmacist to contract with an insurer for pharmacist professional services.

The bill would define "pharmacist professional services" as professional services provided to patients by licensed pharmacists as allowed by law.

Jim Scheer, Chairperson