## **One Hundred Fourth Legislature - First Session - 2015**

## **Introducer's Statement of Intent**

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**Chairperson: Senator Kathy Campbell** 

**Committee: Health and Human Services** 

Date of Hearing: March 18, 2015

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

LB 631 will expand Medicaid services provided by the State of Nebraska in accordance with the Affordable Care Act (ACA).

Recent attempts to expand Medicaid in the Nebraska have carried a great cost and expanded services beyond what is required in accordance with the ACA. This bill will only expand the Medicaid services required by federal law in accordance with the ACA. This bill carries a much lower cost than previous bills to expand Medicaid and is an attempt to find common ground between those who wish to expand all of the coverages currently offered by Nebraska and those who do not wish to not expand Medicaid at all.

Principal Introducer:	
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**Senator Jim Scheer**