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Introducer's Statement of Intent

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Chairperson: Senator Laura Ebke

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: March 17, 2017

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

LB 562 would require the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services to prepare a monthly report, that would be provided to the Appropriations and Judiciary Committees of the Legislature, as well as to the Inspector General for Corrections and the Office of the Public Counsel.

The report would include:

- 1. The number of committed offenders, at or past their parole eligibility dates, who have not received appropriate programming.
- 2. The number and type of vacant positions for behavioral health staff, employed by or under contract with the department, both for the entire department and for each correctional facility.
- 3. The number of inmates who have achieved community-custody status, but are not in a community-custody facility.

Principal Introducer:	
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	Senator John McCollister