ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2022 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB1007

Hearing Date: Friday February 11, 2022 **Committee On:** Health and Human Services

Introducer: Murman

One Liner: Change provisions relating to the Rural Health Systems and Professional Incentive Act

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:

Aye: 7 Senators Arch, Cavanaugh, M., Day, Hansen, B., Murman, Walz, Williams

Nay: Absent:

Present Not Voting:

Oral Testimony:

Proponents: Representing:

John Adams Senator Dave Murman

David Watts Nebraska Medical Association

Abby Alfs Nebraska Association of Behavioral Health Organizations

Andy Hale Nebraska Hospital Association

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 1007 would amend the Rural Health Systems Professional Incentive Act to state that if federal law does not require the local entity to match the State's or practitioner's educational debt funding, such local match will not be required.

Explanation of amendments:

AM 2099 would replace the green copy of LB 1007 and become the bill. AM 2099 would state that any agreements entered into regarding the Rural Health Systems and Professional Incentive Act between July 1, 2022 and December 31, 2024 would first use federal ARPA dollars, prior to using state or local funds.

Agreements using federal ARPA funds would not require a local match. Any ARPA funds would need to be expended by December 31, 2026. If no ARPA funds are appropriated, there is no change to the program.

John Arch, Chairperson