

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2021
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB86

Hearing Date: Wednesday February 10, 2021
Committee On: Health and Human Services
Introducer: Bostelman
One Liner: Require registration for the prescription drug monitoring system

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: Bruce Bostelman	Representing: Introducer
Opponents: Felicia Quintana-Zinn	Representing: Department of Health and Human Services
Neutral: Kevin Borchert	Representing: CyncHealth

Submitted Written Testimony:

Proponents: Bob Hallstrom Dexter Schrodt	Representing: Nebraska Pharmacists Association Nebraska Medical Association
Opponents:	Representing:
Neutral:	Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 86 would amend the Uniform Credentialing Act and the Prescription Drug Monitoring System statute.

Beginning October 1, 2021 each prescriber or dispenser under the Uniform Credentialing Act will register with the Department of Health and Human Services [DHHS] for the prescription drug monitoring system. [Section 2 [1], p. 3]. DHHS will establish the registration system, and renewal of the registration shall be one condition for renewal of the credential. No fee shall be charged for registration. [Section 2 [2], p. 3].

Certain credential holders would be exempt:

A credential holder who is not a prescriber or dispenser;

A veterinarian;

An active duty military member who does not practice in Nebraska;

A retired credential holder who doesn't treat patients;

A researcher who does not treat patients;

A faculty member who does not treat patients; and

Any other credential holder who does not treat patients. [Section 2 [3], p. 3].

Explanation of amendments:

AM 212 would introduce an emergency clause to the bill, and add new language.

The new language would state that the credential holder shall provide the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) with their credential number under the Uniform Credentialing Act, their drug enforcement administration number, and their national provider identifier. It also states DHHS would design their registration system to include identification of the credential by type and identification of clinical specialty.

John Arch, Chairperson