## ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2010 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB702

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday January 20, 2010 **Committee On:** Health and Human Services

Introducer: Gloor

One Liner: Change provisions relating to a patient's access to medical records

## **Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**

Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

**Vote Results:** 

Aye: 7 Senators Campbell, Gay, Gloor, Howard, Pankonin, Stuthman, Wallman

Nay: Absent:

**Present Not Voting:** 

Proponents: Representing:

Senator Gloor Introducer

Brenda Decker Nebraska Information Technology Commission

Wende Baker Behavioral Health Information Network

Travis Parker Community Mental Health Center of Lancaster County

Sheila Wrobel UNMC

Deborah Bass

David Buntain

Nebraska Information Initiative
Nebraska Medical Association

Opponents: Representing:

Don Wesley Nebraska Trial Attorneys

Neutral: Representing:

## Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 702 removes provisions in section 71-8403 relating to medical records. The law allows individuals to obtain copies, or review, medical records if requested or authorized in writing. Currently the request is effective for 180 days. LB 702 removes the 180 day time frame.

## **Explanation of amendments:**

Amendment 1730 states if the written authorization for release of records does not contain an expiration date, or specify an event that causes the authorization to expire, the authorization expires twelve months after the date the release was signed.

Tim Gay, Chairperson