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Introducer's Statement of Intent
LB 342

Chairperson: Tim Gay
Committee: Health and Human Services
Date of Hearing: February 25, 2009

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

LB 342 provides a mechanism to allow for the State of Nebraska's Medicaid program to authorize the utilization of pediatric feeding disorder programs for children suffering from feeding disorders and who already qualify for Medicaid, prior to the insertion of a gastrostomy, or G-tube. The use of a pediatric feeding disorder program is less costly and less invasive than the traditional G-tube.

It is not the intent of LB 342 to expand Medicaid. Rather it is the intent of LB 342 to provide a less-costly alternative to patients between Medicaid authorized procedures.

Principal Introducer:

Senator Tim Gay