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**Introducer's Statement of Intent**  
**LB 448**

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**Chairperson:** Tim Gay  
**Committee:** Health and Human Services  
**Date of Hearing:** February 6, 2009

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

LB 448 is intended to require the Department of Health and Human Services to establish the School-Based Influenza Vaccination Pilot Project and to report to the Legislature at the conclusion of the pilot project.

The project would operate for two years beginning in school year 2009-2010 for Nebraska children between the ages of six months and 18 years of age. Schools would participate on a voluntary basis. Vaccinations would be administered only with parental consent. Funding for the pilot project would come from the federal Vaccines for Children program, federal and state resources for influenza vaccine, and any appropriations, grants, donations, or reimbursement from any public or private source. The Department of Health and Human Services would report to the Legislature by October 2011 on the benefits and costs of the project.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Senator Kathy Campbell**