ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2011 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB401

Hearing Date: Thursday January 27, 2011
Committee On: Health and Human Services

Introducer: Howard

One Liner: Require assisted-living facilities to provide written information to applicants for admission

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye: 6 Senators Wallman, Bloomfield, Cook, Howard, Krist, Campbell

Nay:

Absent: 1 Senator Gloor

Present Not Voting:

Proponents: Representing:

Senator Gwen Howard District #9
Mark Intermill AARP

Clayton Freeman Alzheimer's Association

Rosalee C. Yeaworth Self

Carol McShane Nebraska Nursing Consultants/Self

Don Wesely City of Lincoln and the Nebraska Nurses Association

Barbara McCabe Self

Opponents: Representing:

Ron Jensen Leading Age Nebraska Helen Crunk Hillcrest Health Systems

Neutral: Representing:

Brandon Polt Nebraska Assisted Living Association and Nebraska

Health Care Association

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 401 requires an assisted-living facility to provide to each applicant, or his or her authorized representative, written information about the practices of the assisted-living facility. The information shall include:

- Services provided by the facility
- Number of staff employed by the facility
- Charges for services
- Whether the facility accepts residents eligible for the medical assistance program, and the number of beds set aside for those residents
- Circumstances under which a resident would be required to leave the facility
- Process for developing and updating the resident services agreement
- If a special unit is available for residents with dementia ,what special needs services are provided in such units

Kathy Campbell, Chairperson