

ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2011
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB464

Hearing Date: Monday March 14, 2011
Committee On: Appropriations
Introducer: Campbell
One Liner: Change child care reimbursement

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:

Aye:	8	Senators Conrad, Fulton, Hansen, Harms, Heidemann, Mello, Nelson, Nordquist
Nay:		
Absent:	1	Senator Wightman
Present Not Voting:		

Proponents:

Senator Kathy Campbell
Todd Reckling

Representing:

Introducer
DHHS

Opponents:

Jen Hernandez
John Cavanaugh
Aubrey Mancuso
James Goddard
Gale Henderson
Daemon Stevenson

Representing:

Nebraska Children and Families Foundation
Building Bright Futures
Voice for Children in Nebraska
Nebraska Appleseed
Building Brighter Futures, WISEKIDS, Inc.
Self

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

The bill repeals the requirement that the Department of Health and Human Services adjusts the reimbursement rate for child care providers every odd numbered year to a rate that is not less than the sixtieth percentile or more than the seventy-fifth percentile of the current market rate survey. The authorization to pay nationally accredited child care providers at higher rates is also repealed.

Explanation of amendments:

The amendment drops the minimum percentile that child care providers are required to be paid to the fiftieth for two years beginning July 1, 2011. The rate paid to child care providers cannot be lower than the rate paid in the immediately preceding fiscal year.

