

ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2012
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB900

Hearing Date: Wednesday January 25, 2012
Committee On: Health and Human Services
Introducer: Lathrop
One Liner: Require a report concerning individuals in need of multiple division services from the Department of Health and Human Services

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

Vote Results:
Aye: 7 Senators Bloomfield, Campbell, Cook, Gloor, Howard, Krist, Lambert
Nay:
Absent:
Present Not Voting:

Proponents:	Representing:
Senator Steve Lathrop	District #12
Marshall Lux	Ombudsman's Office
Joe Valenti	Self
Mary Gordon	Nebraska Planning Council on Developmental Disabilities
Marla Fischer-Lempke	The Arc of Nebraska
Joe Kohout	Nebraska Association of Regional Administrators
Janine Stearns	Self

Opponents: **Representing:**

Neutral: **Representing:**

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 900 requires a report on or before December 1, 2012, from the directors of Development Disabilities, Behavioral Health, and Medicaid to the Health and Human Services and the Developmental Disabilities Special Investigative Committees of the Legislature. The report is to be on the access of individuals, with co-occurring conditions of an intellectual disability and mental illness, to the full array of services needed to appropriately treat their specific conditions. The report shall include, but not be limited to:

1. A summary of how these individuals are being served, including eligibility determinations, by the divisions;
 2. A defining and explanation of the individuals who currently fall into a gap between divisions, or move between divisions, in search of appropriate services;
 3. Explanation of the services, unmet demand for services, and the costs for services provided by more than one division to individuals with co-occurring conditions;
 4. The funding sources for services within divisions and how the funds are blended, or can be blended, to best serve these individuals;
 5. A plan by the divisions that would provide more integrated and coordinated treatment by the divisions for these individuals; and
 6. Any recommendations for potential legislation that would assist the divisions in carrying out the above plan.
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Explanation of amendments:

The Committee Amendment adds the Division of Children and Family Services to the Division of Developmental Disabilities, the Division of Behavioral Health, and the Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care requiring that they participate in a joint report by December 1, 2012, to the Health and Human Services Committee and the Developmental Disabilities Special Investigative Committee of the Legislature on the services available and required by individuals with co-occurring conditions.

Kathy Campbell, Chairperson