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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB240

Chairperson: Senator Rich Pahls

Committee: Banking, Commerce and Insurance

Date of Hearing: February 14, 2011

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

LB 240 creates the Nebraska Insurance Choices Exchange Task Force to study, evaluate, and develop recommendations regarding the establishment, governance, and requirements of the health insurance exchange required by the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Public Law 111-148, as amended. The task force shall consist of the following members, to be appointed on or before July 1, 2011:

- The Director of Insurance or his or her designee;
- The Chief Executive Office of the Department of Health and Human Services or his or her designee;
- The Chief Information Officer or his or her designee;
- Three members of the Legislature, appointed by the Executive Board of the Legislative Council; and,
- Three public members, one from each congressional district, appointed by the Governor.

Members of the task force shall serve without compensation and without reimbursement for actual expenses.

The task force shall be considered a stakeholder for any activities conducted under a federal grant received by the Department of Insurance to produce the Affordable Care Act Exchange Investigation Study.

The task force shall submit a report to the Legislature on or before December 1, 2011 with recommendations regarding the implementation of the health insurance exchange. The task force shall oversee implementation of the health insurance exchange in Nebraska until June 30, 2012.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Jeremy Nordquist