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## **Introducer's Statement of Intent**

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**Chairperson: Senator Kathy Campbell** 

**Committee: Health and Human Services** 

Date of Hearing: February 03, 2011

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

LB 468, introduced at the request of the Governor, is a part of the Governor's biennial budget recommendations.

The bill proposes to allow the Department of Health and Human Services to implement copayments for medical goods and services in the Medicaid program. LB468 also allows DHHS to adjust copayments for medical goods and services, within the federally allowable maximums, where copayments are currently in place. Beginning on December 1, 2011, DHHS will notify the Governor, Legislature and Medicaid Reform Council prior to the adoption of premiums, copayments or deductibles in the Medicaid program.

Principal Introducer: _	
	Senator Kathy Campbell