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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB649

Chairperson: Senator Brad Ashford

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: February 09, 2011

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

Legislative Bill 649 would require the Judiciary Committee to examine the report and the recommendations of a 2009 guardian ad litem system study by the National Association of Counsel for Children (NACC), entitled *Evaluation of the Guardian ad Litem System in Nebraska*. The Judiciary Committee would also be required to develop legislative recommendations for improving Nebraska's guardian ad litem system for the benefit of children within the Child Welfare System.

It is the intent of this bill that the recommendations in the NACC report be looked at by the Judiciary Committee as a starting place for continued discussion for the development of proposals to improve the Nebraska's guardian ad litem system and not a requirement to endorse and develop all recommendations by this report.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Mark Christensen