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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 02, 2012

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

LB926 requires a minimum base rate for foster care payments in order to bring Nebraska's payments in line with the rest of the country, stem the attrition of foster parents in Nebraska, and provide more stable care to foster children in Nebraska. After privatization of foster care services in 2009, payments for the care of state wards fluctuated dramatically. LB926 responds to those fluctuations by requiring a base rate to be paid to foster parents for the care of foster children.

Principal Introducer:	
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