

ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2013
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB487

Hearing Date: Tuesday March 05, 2013
Committee On: Health and Human Services
Introducer: Wightman
One Liner: Change health care certificate of need provisions

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

Vote Results:
Aye: 6 Senators Campbell, Crawford, Gloor, Howard, Krist, Cook
Nay: 1 Senator Watermeier
Absent:
Present Not Voting:

Proponents:
Senator John Wightman
David Buntain
Marsha Lommel
Gary Hausmann
Victor Witkowicz

Representing:
District #36
Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital
Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital
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Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital

Opponents:
Jill Powers
Thomas Theroult

Representing:
Alegent Creighton Health
Select Specialty Hospital

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 487 amends the requirement of a certificate of need for rehabilitation beds providing an exception so that a certificate is not required for relocation of rehabilitation beds owned and operated by the transferring health care facility before and after the transfer.

Explanation of amendments:

The Committee Amendment clarifies that the exception to the certificate of need requires that the transferred or relocated rehabilitation beds must be utilized by the same entity. The amendment states "no certificate of need is required for relocation or transfer of rehabilitation beds from a health care facility to another health care facility owned and operated by the same entity."

Kathy Campbell, Chairperson