

ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2016
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB1081

Hearing Date: Friday February 19, 2016
Committee On: Health and Human Services
Introducer: Campbell
One Liner: Change provisions relating to eligibility for public assistance

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

Vote Results:
Aye: 7 Senators Baker, Campbell, Crawford, Fox, Howard, Kolterman, Riepe
Nay:
Absent:
Present Not Voting:

Verbal Testimony:

Proponents:

Senator Kathy Campbell
Elizabeth Eynon-Kokrda
Don Wesely

Representing:

District 25
Nebraskans for Poverty Research
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Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB1081 amends statutes relating to public assistance eligibility to exclude income received for participation in grant-funded research on child development in low-income families. Sets a policy for adopting an unearned income disregard for such purposes in the Aid to Dependent Children program, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, and the Child Care Subsidy program.

Explanation of amendments:

AM2180 includes the low-income home energy assistance program. Adds language ensuring the exclusion will only be made if allowed under federal law, and sunsets the exclusion at the end of 2022, as requested by DHHS.

Kathy Campbell, Chairperson