

ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2016
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB750

Hearing Date: Wednesday February 24, 2016
Committee On: Health and Human Services
Introducer: Lindstrom
One Liner: Change Uniform Credentialing Act provisions relating to confidentiality and prohibit retaliation as prescribed

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:	Representing:
Senator Brett Lindstrom	District 18
Pam McNally	Self
Jacki Steckelberg	Self
Don Wesely	NE Nurses Association
Joan Nelson	Self
Matt Schaefer	NE Medical Association

Opponents: **Representing:**

Neutral: **Representing:**

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

The purpose of LB750 is to protect nurses and others that have a duty to report something that may result in a disciplinary action for an individual or business credentialed under the Uniform Credentialing Act (UCA) from any kind of retaliation action by their employer or any other individual or business credentialed under the UCA. Defines retaliation.

Explanation of amendments:

AM2378 incorporates changes suggested by the Department of Health and Human Services and a malpractice insurance company. Eliminates the definition of retaliation. Moves confidentiality requirements to appropriate statutes. Keeps confidentiality permissive for individuals to avoid frivolous claims, eliminates required confidentiality for reports by facility since there is not currently names linked to such report. Allows accused to confront the accuser if a lawsuit occurs. Strikes original sections 13 and 14.

