

**ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2015**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB77**

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**Hearing Date:** Wednesday January 28, 2015  
**Committee On:** Health and Human Services  
**Introducer:** Nordquist  
**One Liner:** Require a medicaid state plan amendment for family planning services and state intent relating to appropriations for the Every Woman Matters program

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

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**Vote Results:**

<b>Aye:</b>	4	Senators Baker, Campbell, Crawford, Howard
<b>Nay:</b>	2	Senators Kolterman, Riepe
<b>Absent:</b>	1	Senator Cook
<b>Present Not Voting:</b>		

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**Verbal Testimony:**

**Proponents:**

Senator Jeremy Nordquist  
David Holmquist  
Michelle Sych  
Renaisha Anthony  
Molly McCleery  
Mary Larsen  
Sharon Rickman

**Representing:**

District 7  
American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network  
Women's Fund of Omaha  
Charles Drew Health Center; Self  
Nebraska Appleseed  
March of Dimies  
Family Planning Council of Nebraska

**Opponents:**

Teresa Kenney  
Greg Schleppenbach  
Amie Holmes  
Kristina Pakiz

**Representing:**

Pope Paul VI Institute  
Nebraska Catholic Conference  
Self  
Catholic Medical Association

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

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**Summary of purpose and/or changes:**

LB 77 require DHHS to submit a state plan amendment to the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for the purpose of providing medical assistance for family planning services for persons whose family's earned income is at or below 185 percent of the federal poverty level.

LB77 also would appropriate from the General Fund \$500,000 in FY2015-16 and \$500,000 in FY201-17 to DHHS for the Every Woman Matters Program for services, including: reimbursement for mammograms; breast examinations; pap smears; colposcopy; associated laboratory costs; preventive health and family planning services; and education and outreach.

Section-by-section description:

Section (1): Amends 68-911 of the Medical Assistance Act, requiring DHHS to submit a state plan amendment to federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

Section (2): Appropriations section

Section (3): Repealer section

Section (4): Emergency clause

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**Explanation of amendments:**

Removes an unintended reference to services not currently offered in the Every Woman Matters program

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Kathy Campbell, Chairperson