

# **One Hundred Fourth Legislature - Second Session - 2016**

## **Introducer's Statement of Intent**

### **LB901**

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**Chairperson: Senator Kathy Campbell**

**Committee: Health and Human Services**

**Date of Hearing: January 27, 2016**

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

LB901 modernizes the dental team in Nebraska in order to provide Nebraskans with improved access to safe, affordable dental care. The bill creates a new category of licensed dental assistants, in addition to unlicensed dental assistants.

The bill also creates expanded function dental assistants, which are licensed dental assistants who, after completion of education and testing, receive permits to perform additional functions as part of the dental team.

Finally, LB901 expands the dental hygienist scope of practice and creates a category of expanded function dental hygienists. Expanded function hygienists, after completion of education and testing, receive permits to perform additional functions as part of the dental team.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_

Senator Mark Kolterman