

ONE HUNDRED FIFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2018

COMMITTEE STATEMENT

LB826

Hearing Date: Friday February 02, 2018
Committee On: Judiciary
Introducer: Vargas
One Liner: Provide for jurisdiction to make factual findings under the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye: 7 Senators Baker, Ebke, Halloran, Hansen, Krist, Morfeld, Pansing Brooks
Nay:
Absent: 1 Senator Chambers
Present Not Voting:

Verbal Testimony:

Proponents:

Senator Tony Vargas
Kevin Ruser
Angela Escobar
Charles Ellison
Bub Windle

Representing:

Introducer
self
self
Creighton University
Nebraska State Bar Association

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 826 would provide express authority for a court with jurisdiction under the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act to make judicial determinations about the abuse, abandonment, or neglect of a child, the nonviability of reunifications with at least one of the child's parents due to such abuse, abandonment, neglect, or a similar basis under state law, and whether it would be in the best interests of such child to be removed from the United States to a foreign country, including the child's country of origin or last habitual residence. If there is sufficient evidence, the bill would require the court to issue an order containing such findings when requested by a party or on the court's own motion.

Laura Ebke, Chairperson