

One Hundred Fifth Legislature - Second Session - 2018

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB685

Chairperson: Senator Merv Riepe

Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: January 25, 2018

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

Amend section 83-1216 in Nebraska's revised statutes and insert active duty military dependents who have severe developmental disabilities and that are not covered by Tricare or other health care services into the priority listing for the Department of HHS that is already in Nebraska state statute. There are currently five funding priorities in state statute. LB685 would insert these dependents into the list as the 5th priority and would move "all other persons by date of application." to the sixth priority spot.

This would make sure that this population of people who need Medicare coverage are receiving the care they need without taking funding or attention away from other Nebraskans who rely on this type of funding.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Carol Blood