

ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2019
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB260

Hearing Date: Thursday February 21, 2019
Committee On: Health and Human Services
Introducer: Hansen, B.
One Liner: Change provisions relating to medicaid recovery audit contractors

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye: 7 Senators Arch, Cavanaugh, Hansen, B., Howard, Murman, Walz, Williams

Nay:

Absent:

Present Not Voting:

Oral Testimony:

Proponents:

Senator Ben Hansen
Thomas "Rocky" Thompson
Jessica Meeske

Representing:

Introducer
Dept. of Health and Human Services
Nebraska Dental Association; Nebraska Society of Pediatric Dentistry

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Claire Koukol
Kiley Dohm

Representing:

Self
Self

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 260 relates to the use of recovery audit contractors by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). The stated purpose of a recovery audit contractor (RAC) is to assist with cost-containment in the Medicaid program by finding third party liability and overpayments.

LB 260 amends Neb. Rev. Stat. 68-974 to make the use of RACs discretionary rather than mandatory. It changes "shall" to "may" in several places. (Sec. 1, page 2, lines 3 and 6.)

It also makes discretionary rather than mandatory contracting with a person to support a health insurance premium assistance payment program. (Sec. 1(4), page 3, lines 18-19.)
