## **One Hundred Sixth Legislature - Second Session - 2020**

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

LB977

**Chairperson: Senator Sara Howard** 

**Committee: Health and Human Services** 

Date of Hearing: January 31, 2020

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

LB977 proposes amendments to Nebr. Rev. §68-1212, relating to the child welfare case management lead agency model pilot project in the Eastern Service Area.

The bill would clarify that a readiness assessment is required to be performed by the Department of Health and Human Services Division of Children and Family Services prior to the provision of any services by a potential case management lead agency contractor; that the assessment demonstrate that such lead agency contractor has achieved full readiness; and requires that the Department to notify the Health and Human Services Committee of the Legislature when the readiness assessment has been completed.

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

Senator Kate Bolz