ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2021 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB592

Hearing Date: Friday February 05, 2021 **Committee On:** Health and Human Services

Introducer: Stinner

One Liner: Change provisions of the Automated Medication Systems Act

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:

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

Nay: Absent:

Present Not Voting:

Oral Testimony:

Proponents: Representing: John Stinner Introducer

John Hilgert Nebraska Department of Veterans' Affairs

Opponents: Representing:

Marcia Mueting Nebraska Pharmacists Association

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 592 would amend the Automated Medication Systems Act to allow an assisted-living facility co-located with a long-term care facility to obtain drugs dispensed from the long-term care facilitys automated pharmacy.

Explanation of amendments:

AM 237 to LB 592 would amend language to clarify that medications dispensed from an automated medication system dispensed for a resident of an assisted-living facility co-located with a long-term care facility must be pursuant to a prescription. [AM 237, lines 4-6].

It would also state that 'Emergency doses may not be taken from an automated medication system prior to review by a pharmacist for residents of an assisted-living facility co-located with a long-term care facility.' [AM 237, lines 1-4]. This differs from removal of emergency doses for residents in a hospital or nursing facility.

John Arch, Chairperson