

# **One Hundred Seventh Legislature - First Session - 2021**

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

### **LB20**

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**Chairperson: Senator Matt Williams**

**Committee: Banking, Commerce and Insurance**

**Date of Hearing: March 01, 2021**

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

Amends 68-901 to provide by having public and private insurers, not preempted by federal law, to cover the number of contraceptives dispensed in accordance with the prescription—up to 12 months of contraceptives at a time but it won't require a 12-month supply on the first pickup under private insurance, allowing an initial 3-month prescription to make sure it is safe for that consumer to use prior to expanding it.

The intent is to close health inequities in rural Nebraska, those reliant on public transportation, and women who must travel for work or abroad.

Nothing in LB20 limits the recipient's freedom to choose or change the method of contraceptives.

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

**Senator Carol Blood**