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Introducer's Statement of Intent

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Chairperson: Senator Brian Hardin

Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: March 05, 2025

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

LB319 would remove the current lifetime ban for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program(SNAP) for individuals convicted of certain drug related felonies. Nebraska currently has a modified ban that creates a small exception for those with two or fewer felonies.

LB319 would opt Nebraska out of the ban entirely as 26 other states have done. Those convicted of a felony involving controlled substances would be eligible for SNAP if they have completed their sentence, or if they are serving a term of parole, probation, or post release supervision.

Principal Introducer:		
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