

One Hundred Third Legislature - Second Session - 2014

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LR400

Chairperson: Senator John Wightman

Committee: Executive Board

Date of Hearing: February 10, 2014

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

To call upon the Executive Board of the Legislative Council to appoint a special committee of the Legislature, to be known as the ACCESSNebraska Special Investigative Committee of the Legislature, to study and investigate the effectiveness of the ACCESSNebraska system. The scope of the investigation shall include but not be limited to the following:

- the adequacy of staffing and training of DHHS employees working within the ACCESSNebraska system;
- the adequacy of the technology used within the ACCESSNebraska system; and
- the experiences of clients and their families.

The Committee would consist of seven members of the Legislature appointed by the Executive Board. The Executive Board would be authorized to provide the Committee with a legal counsel, committee clerk, and other staff as required by the Committee from existing legislative staff. The Committee would be authorized to hold hearings and issue subpoenas as deemed necessary by the Committee. Finally, the Committee would issue a report with its findings and recommendations to the Legislature no later than December 15, 2014.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Annette Dubas