

ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2011
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB234

Hearing Date: Thursday February 03, 2011
Committee On: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
Introducer: Fischer
One Liner: Change provisions relating to county office and service facilities of the Department of Health and Human Services

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:

Aye:	7	Senators Avery, Brasch, Janssen, Karpisek, Price, Schumacher, Sullivan
Nay:		
Absent:	1	Senator Pahls
Present Not Voting:		

Proponents:

Senator Deb Fischer
Kerry Winterer
Fred Uhe
Beth Bazyn Ferrell

Representing:

Introducer
Department of Health and Human Services
Sarpy County Board
Nebraska Association of County Officials

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 234 provides that if the Department of Health and Human Services reduces programs and employees in a county, the county may reduce the office and service facilities accordingly.

Current law requires counties to maintain office and service facilities for the administration of public assistance for DHHS.

Explanation of amendments:

The committee amendment strikes the original provision of the bill and inserts the following new provision:

The county board may request in writing that the Department of Health and Human Services review office and service facilities provided by the county to determine if there could be a reduction or elimination of office and service facilities within the county. The department will respond in writing within 30 days of receiving the request.

The final decision with respect to office and service facilities will be made by the department and the county may reduce such facilities if authorized by the decision.

Bill Avery, Chairperson