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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB487

Chairperson: Senator Kathy Campbell

Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: February 21, 2013

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

LB 487 amends The Nebraska Health Care Certificate of Need Act that governs the establishment, transfer, or increase in the number of rehabilitation beds in the state. Various exceptions are provided in the Act.

Section 71-5829.03 of the Act provides that a certificate of need is required before any relocation of rehabilitation beds in Nebraska from one health care facility to another health care facility.

LB 487 would clarify that a hospital may transfer rehabilitation beds between locations owned and operated by the same hospital without a certificate of need.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator John Wightman