

**ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2015**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT (CORRECTED)**  
**LB107**

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**Hearing Date:** Thursday January 22, 2015  
**Committee On:** Health and Human Services  
**Introducer:** Crawford  
**One Liner:** Eliminate integrated practice agreements and provide for transition-to-practice agreements for nurse practitioners

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**Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**  
Advanced to General File

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**Vote Results:**

**Aye:** 7 Senators Baker, Campbell, Cook, Crawford, Howard, Kolterman, Riepe  
**Nay:**  
**Absent:**  
**Present Not Voting:**

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**Verbal Testimony:**

**Proponents:**

Sue Crawford  
Kelley Hasenaur

Cathy Phillips  
Sean Scribner  
Linda Lazure  
Bruce Rieker  
Mark Intermill  
Rich Lombardi  
Melissa Florell  
Matt Litt  
Jennifer Jorgensen  
Lazaro Spindola

**Opponents:**

Richard Blatny  
Kevin Nohner  
Stacie Bleicher  
Josef Richards Beauvais  
Alicia Smith  
Kaitlyn Brittan  
Charles Gregorious  
Michelle Sell  
Richard Wurtz  
Phil McNeely  
George Voigtlander  
Ann Frohman

**Representing:**

District 45  
Nebraska Nurse Practitioners/Platte Valley Women's Healthcare  
Nebraska Nurse Practitioners  
Nebraska Nurse Anesthetist Association  
Nebraska Nurses Association  
Nebraska Hospital Association  
AARP  
Friends of Public Health/Center for Rural Affairs  
Nebraska Nurses Association  
Americans for Prosperity, Nebraska  
Nebraska Association of School Boards  
Latino American Commission

**Representing:**

Nebraska Medical Association  
Nebraska Medical Association/UniNet  
Nebraska Medical Association  
Nebraska Medical Association

**Summary of purpose and/or changes:**

Provide a description and rationale for introducing this legislation. Include information on the person or entity behind the proposal.

The purpose of this bill is to remove barriers to entry and accreditation for nurse practitioners in Nebraska.

Section-by-section description:

Section (1): Amends 38-206 of the Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Practice Act to remove nurse practitioners from the list of standardized integrated practice agreements established by the board.

Section (2): Amends 38-2301 to include these changes in the Nurse Practitioner Practice Act.

Section (3): Amends 38-2302 of the Nurse Practitioner Practice Act to include these definitions.

Section (4): Replaces 38-2310, regarding integrated practice agreements, of the Nurse Practitioner Practice Act with "transition-to-practice" agreements.

Section (5): Amends 38-2315 of the Nurse Practitioner Practice Act to strike reference to integrated practice agreements regarding prescribing authority.

Section (6): Amends 38-2322 of the Nurse Practitioner Practice Act to change license requirements to strike integrated practice agreements, remove a minimum 2000 hours of practice requirement, and allow transition to practice agreements. Defines license to practice agreements. Requires supervision by a provider, defined as a physician, osteopathic physician or nurse practitioner (with 10,000 hours of practice) in the same specialty as the supervisee. Defines supervision as being readily available for consultation and direction.

Section (7): Amends 38-2323 to allow for transition to practice agreements instead of integrated practice agreements.

Section (8): Repealer section

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Kathy Campbell, Chairperson