## ONE HUNDRED FIFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2018 COMMITTEE STATEMENT (CORRECTED) LB1127

**Hearing Date:** Wednesday February 21, 2018 **Committee On:** Health and Human Services

Introducer: Kolterman

One Liner: Provide additional fees for certain credentials under the Uniform Credentialing Act and create the

Patient Safety Cash Fund

## **Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**

Advanced to General File

**Vote Results:** 

Aye: 6 Senators Crawford, Erdman, Kolterman, Linehan, Riepe, Williams

Nay: Absent:

Present Not Voting: 1 Senator Howard

**Verbal Testimony:** 

Proponents: Representing:

Senator Mark Kolterman Introducer

Evelyn McKnight Hepatitis National Organization for Reform Katherine Jones Nebraska Coalition for Patient Safety

Dr. Daniel Rosenquist Nebraska Medical Association

Kurt Schmeckpeper Nebraska Academy of Physician Assistants

Monica Seeland Nebraska Hospital Association

Opponents: Representing:

Melissa Florell Nebraska Nurses Association; Nebraska Nurse

Practitioners Association

Nicole Fox Platte Institute

Neutral: Representing:

## Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB 1127 mandates an additional patient safety fee for physicians, osteopathic physicians, physician assistants, nurses, occupational therapists, pharmacists, and physical therapists to be remitted to the State Treasurer for credit to the Patient Safety Cash Fund. Creates the Patient Safety Cash Fund.

## SECTION BY SECTION:

Section 1: Amends Section 38-151 to mandate an additional fee for physicians, osteopathic physicians, physician assistants, nurses, occupational therapists, pharmacists, and physical therapists. Revenue shall be remitted to the State Treasurer to the Patient Safety Cash Fund. Sunsets fee on January 1, 2025.

Section 2: Amends Section 71-8701 to add section to the Patient Safety Improvement Act.

Section 3: Creates the Patient Safety Cash Fund. Provides requirements for use of the fund. Provides requirements for

investment.	
Section 4: Operative date is January 1, 2019.	
Section 5: Repeals Sections 38-151 and 71-8701.	
	Merv Riepe, Chairperson