

**One Hundred Fifth Legislature - First Session - 2017**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LB466**

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**Chairperson: Senator Merv Riepe**

**Committee: Health and Human Services**

**Date of Hearing: March 03, 2017**

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

LB 466 removes the requirement for an integrated practice agreement between certified nurse-midwives and physicians. It also adds a transition-to-practice agreement between a certified nurse-midwife and a supervising provider for two thousand hours before a certified nurse-midwife can practice independently. Certified nurse-midwives, who present evidence of two thousand hours of practice, under sec. 18 of the bill, will be grandfathered in under the bill.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_

Senator Lydia Brasch