ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2022 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB810

Hearing Date: Wednesday January 19, 2022

Committee On: Judiciary
Introducer: Cavanaugh, J.

One Liner: Change provisions relating to room confinement of juveniles and required reports

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye: 8 Senators Brandt, DeBoer, Geist, Lathrop, McKinney, Morfeld, Pansing

Brooks, Slama

Nay:

Absent:

Present Not Voting:

Oral Testimony:

Proponents: Representing:

Senator John Cavanaugh Introducer

Jennifer Carter Office of the Inspector General of Children

Julie Wertheimer ACLU of Nebraska

Taylor Givens-Dunn Voices for Children in Nebraska

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB810 would amend Sec. 83-4,134.01 to clarify the requirement for supervisor approval of the use of room confinement of juveniles and make changes to the reporting requirements for juvenile facilities.

The supervisor approval provisions would be reorganized to place the approval requirement in the new subsection (2)(a) and keep the documentation language in the new subsection (2)(b).

Juvenile facilities would also be required to submit an annual summary report of the quarterly reports the facilities are already required to submit. This section would also be amended to clarify the Inspector General's authority to require the data to be submitted in a certain format.

LB810 would also delete subsection (3), which generally prohibits the use of consecutive periods of room confinement to avoid the "intent or purpose" of Sec. 83-4,134.01.

Steve Lathrop, Chairperson