

One Hundred Eighth Legislature - First Session - 2023

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB215

Chairperson: Senator Tom Briese

Committee: Executive Board

Date of Hearing: February 03, 2023

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

LB 215 would amend both the Office of the Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare Act and the Office of the Inspector General of the Nebraska Correctional System Act in order to make procedural and technical clarifications that have been identified by the Inspectors General and the Public Counsel.

Technical changes in the bill include:

- Clarifying the duties of the Offices of Inspectors General;
- Clarifying redundant or confusing language;
- Clarifying and changing the timeframe for responses to Inspector General reports;
- Requiring that both Inspectors General refer any actions warranting criminal or disciplinary proceedings to the appropriate authorities;
- Aligning notice requirements with the duties of the Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare;
- Clarifying that the Inspector General of the Nebraska Correctional System may review medical records for deceased inmates; and
- Reordering and harmonizing sections for clarity;

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Tom Briese