

**One Hundred Eighth Legislature - First Session - 2023**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LB509**

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**Chairperson: Senator Robert Clements**

**Committee: Appropriations**

**Date of Hearing: March 21, 2023**

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

LB 509 requires the Department of Health and Human Services to annually fund language changes to identified service contracts that result in increased costs or a decrease in revenue to child welfare providers in order to ensure the needs of vulnerable families are being met, help the Department recognize the impact of contract changes, assist providers in being more financially stable and improve communication between the Department and providers during the contracting process.

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

**Senator Danielle Conrad**