

**ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2026**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB933**

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**Hearing Date:** Thursday February 19, 2026  
**Committee On:** Health and Human Services  
**Introducer:** Cavanaugh, J.  
**One Liner:** Provide immunity for health care practitioners under the Nebraska Medical Cannabis Patient Protection Act

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**Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:**  
Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

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**Vote Results:**

<b>Aye:</b>	5	Senators Fredrickson, Hansen, Meyer, G., Quick, Riepe
<b>Nay:</b>	2	Senators Hardin, Ballard
<b>Absent:</b>		
<b>Present Not Voting:</b>		

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**Testimony:**

**Proponents:**

Senator John Cavanaugh, J.  
Dominic Gillen  
Crista Eggers  
Lia Post  
Shannon Coryell

**Representing:**

Opening Presenter  
self  
NMM Nebraskans for Medical Marijuana, and self  
self  
self

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

Bill Hawkins

**Representing:**

NE Nebraska / self

\* ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

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**Summary of purpose and/or changes:**

LB 933 amends §71-24,103, of the Nebraska Medical Cannabis Patient Protection Act, to add a new section of law to provide legal immunity for health care practitioners who recommend medical cannabis to patients. Specifically, a health care practitioner cannot be arrested, prosecuted, penalized, or denied any right or privilege — including civil penalties or professional disciplinary action by DHHS or any licensing board — solely for recommending cannabis or stating their professional opinion that a patient would benefit from cannabis to treat or alleviate a medical condition. The bill does not legalize cannabis or authorize its dispensing. It solely protects practitioners from professional and legal consequences for making a written recommendation or expressing a clinical opinion about cannabis as a treatment option.

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**Explanation of amendments:**

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AM 2192 to LB 933 retains the core protection from LB933 — health care practitioners cannot face arrest, prosecution, or professional disciplinary action solely for recommending cannabis or stating a professional opinion that a patient may benefit from it medically. However, the amendment adds an important limitation: that immunity does not protect a practitioner from civil penalties or disciplinary action if they fail to properly evaluate a patient's medical condition or otherwise violate the standard of care. In other words, practitioners are protected for the recommendation itself, but remain fully accountable for how they conduct the underlying patient evaluation.

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Brian Hardin, Chairperson

