

**ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2024**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB1350**

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**Hearing Date:** Wednesday February 21, 2024  
**Committee On:** Health and Human Services  
**Introducer:** DeBoer  
**One Liner:** Define certain terms under the Health Care Facilities Licensure Act

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

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**Vote Results:**  
**Aye:** 7 Senators Ballard, Cavanaugh, M., Day, Hansen, Hardin, Riepe, Walz  
**Nay:**  
**Absent:**  
**Present Not Voting:**

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**Testimony:**

**Proponents:**  
Senator Wendy DeBoer  
Melanie Kirk

**Representing:**  
Opening Presenter  
Nebraska Coalition to End Sexual and Domestic  
Violence

**Opponents:**

**Representing:**

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

\* ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

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

LB 1350 would create an "Emergency Shelter" designation and a "Transitional Housing" designation under the Health Care Facility Licensure Act.

An Emergency Shelter would have the same definition as 24 C.F.R. 576.2 any facility, the primary purpose of which is to provide a temporary shelter for the homeless in general or for specific populations of the homeless and which does not require occupants to sign leases or occupancy agreements.

Transitional Housing would have the same definition as 24 C.F.R. 578.3 being housing, where all program participants have signed a lease or occupancy agreement, the purpose of which is to facilitate the movement of homeless individuals and families into permanent housing within 24 months or such longer period as HUD determines necessary. The program participant must have a lease or occupancy agreement for a term of at least one month that ends in 24 months and cannot be extended.

**SECTION BY SECTION SUMMARY**

Sec 1: Include Section 3 and 4 within the Health Care Facility Licensure Act.

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Sec 2: Include Section 3 and 4 with the definitions found in the Health Care Facility Licensure Act

Sec 3: Emergency Shelter means an emergency shelter as defined in 24 C.F.R. 576.2 as such regulation existed on January 1, 2024 or (2) Any facility, the primary purpose of which is to provide a temporary shelter for individuals who have experienced domestic violence human trafficking, sexual assault, or stalking and which provides a safe and nonthreatening living environment for such victims and their family and household members

Sec 4: Transitional housing means: Transitional housing as defined in 24 C.F.R. 578.3 as such regulation existed on January 1, 2024; or (2) Temporary housing, the purpose of which is to facilitate the movement of individuals experiencing domestic violence, human trafficking, sexual assault, or stalking and their family and household members into permanent housing within twenty-four months or such longer period as the administrator or operator of the temporary housing deems necessary.

Sec 5: Original sections 71-401 and 71-403 are repealed

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**Explanation of amendments:**

The standing committee amendment is a white copy amendment that strikes the original provisions placing LB1350 within the Health Care Facility Licensure Act. It provides the same definitions for emergency shelter and transitional housing and allows for DHHS to submit a study of issues relating to emergency and transitional housing.

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Ben Hansen, Chairperson

