

**ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2023**  
**COMMITTEE STATEMENT**  
**LB451**

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**Hearing Date:** Thursday February 09, 2023  
**Committee On:** Health and Human Services  
**Introducer:** Brewer  
**One Liner:** Provide for the Department of Health and Human Services to award a grant to assist a rehabilitation hospital

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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 Day, Cavanaugh, M., Hansen, B., Hardin, Walz
<b>Nay:</b>	1	Senator Riepe
<b>Absent:</b>		
<b>Present Not Voting:</b>	1	Senator Ballard

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**Testimony:**

**Proponents:**

Senator Tom Brewer  
Paul Dongilli  
Jane Pickel  
Scott Wurdeman

**Representing:**

Introducer  
Madonna Rehabilitation Hospitals  
Self-Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital Patient  
Self-Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital Patient

**Opponents:**

Kathy Hoell\*

**Representing:**

Self

**Neutral:**

**Representing:**

\* ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

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

LB 451 requires the Department of Health and Human Services to award a one-time grant to assist a rehabilitation hospital that has a distinct nursing facility part, that is located in Nebraska, and that has a capacity to provide post-acute long-term care to Medicaid patients. The grant shall include \$30 million for infrastructure and facilities upgrades. The grant shall not be expended no later than December 31, 2026. An emergency clause is also provided.

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**Explanation of amendments:**

AM659 strikes Health and Human Services and replaces it with Economic Development.

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