ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2024 COMMITTEE STATEMENT LB87

Hearing Date: Wednesday February 22, 2023

Committee On: Judiciary Introducer: Hunt

One Liner: Allow persons eighteen years of age to make health care decisions and persons under nineteen

years of age in correctional facilities to consent to medical and mental health care

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:

Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:

Aye: 5 Senators Blood, DeBoer, Ibach, McKinney, Wayne

Nay: 3 Senators Bosn, DeKay, Holdcroft

Absent:

Present Not Voting:

Testimony:

Proponents:Representing:Senator Megan HuntOpening Presenter

Michelle Spicka Self

Anahi Salazar Voices for Children in Nebraska

Spike Eickholt American Civil Liberties Union of Nebraska

Opponents: Representing:

Neutral: Representing:

Bo Botelho Department of Health and Human Services

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB87 would amend § 43-2101 to create two additional exceptions to the general rule on the age of majority (age 19) in Nebraska.

The first new exception would allow a person 18 years of age or older to make health care decisions for themselves without parental consent.

The second new exception would allow a person under age 19 committed to the Department of Correctional Services to consent to medical and health care without parental consent during the period of their commitment.

Explanation of amendments:

AM722 would exclude a person in the care and custody of the Department of Health and Human Services from the



^{*} ADA Accommodation Written Testimony

provision that allows consent for health care decisions at age 18.	
	Justin Wayne, Chairperson