

One Hundred Eighth Legislature - First Session - 2023

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB460

Chairperson: Senator Merv Riepe

Committee: Business and Labor

Date of Hearing: March 06, 2023

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

Legislative Bill 460, relating to mental health injuries or mental illnesses for Nebraska's first responders pursuant to the Nebraska Worker's Compensation Act, provides for reimbursement by the Department of Health and Human Services for the cost of mental health examinations and resilience training to the extent not reimbursed by the first responder's employer.

Further, the reimbursement rate for mental health examinations would be established by the Critical Incident Stress Management Program, whose lead agency is the Department of Health and Social Services. Presently, only rates are set for resilience training.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Mike McDonnell