

One Hundred Eighth Legislature - Second Session - 2024

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB856

Chairperson: Senator Ben Hansen

Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: January 26, 2024

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

LB856 provides categorical eligibility for child care workers to participate in the federal Childcare Assistance Program. The bill is designed to attract workers into the child care industry by providing them with free child care assistance for their own children. The intent is to increase child care worker recruitment and retention, thereby increasing child care access for all Nebraska workers and potential workers with children, a critical issue in our state's workforce development challenge.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator John Fredrickson