

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION - 2021
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB354

Hearing Date: Thursday January 28, 2021
Committee On: Judiciary
Introducer: Lathrop
One Liner: Require courts to issue decisions on motions to transfer jurisdiction in cases involving juveniles within thirty days after hearing

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Advanced to General File

Vote Results:

Aye:	7	Senators Brandt, DeBoer, Geist, Lathrop, McKinney, Morfeld, Pansing Brooks
Nay:		
Absent:	1	Senator Slama
Present Not Voting:		

Oral Testimony:

Proponents:

Senator Steve Lathrop
Mark Hanna
Spike Eickholt

Representing:

Introducer
Douglas County Attorney's Office
Nebraska Criminal Defense Attorneys Association

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Submitted Written Testimony:

Proponents:

Michelle Weber

Representing:

Nebraska County Attorneys Association

Opponents:

Representing:

Neutral:

Representing:

Summary of purpose and/or changes:

In certain criminal cases involving an accused younger than eighteen years of age, the prosecutor may elect to bring the case in adult court. In these cases, the accused may file a motion and ask the court to waive jurisdiction and transfer the case to juvenile court.

LB354 would amend Sec. 29-1816 to require the county or district court to make a decision on such a motion within thirty days of the hearing.

Steve Lathrop, Chairperson