

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 386

Introduced by Day, 49.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to propose an interim study to examine the scope of practice for behavior analysts in the State of Nebraska. The work of applied behavior analysts, occupational therapists, physical therapists, and speech therapists complement each other and result in well-rounded patient care. The services provided by behavior analysts in the educational and human resources spheres are essential to Nebraskans of all ages. Further study is required on how the scope of practice for behavior analysts can work in concert with the practice of occupational therapists, physical therapists, and speech therapists and can complement and enhance the services provided by those professions.

This study shall include, but need not be limited to, an examination of the following:

(1) How the scope of practice of behavior analysts is defined by the Department of Health and Human Services; and

(2) The scope of practice language of behavior analysts as compared to the scope of practice of occupational therapists, physical therapists, and speech therapists.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, SECOND SESSION:

1. That the Health and Human Services Committee of the Legislature shall be designated to conduct an interim study to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

2. That the committee shall upon the conclusion of its study make a report of its findings, together with its recommendations, to the Legislative Council or Legislature.