

ONE HUNDRED FIFTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 431

Introduced by Albrecht, 17.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this study is to:

(1) Analyze and review reimbursement rates for ambulatory surgical centers and outpatient hospitals with respect to the provision of workers' compensation services in Nebraska; and

(2) Analyze and review whether Nebraska's current workers' compensation law properly incentivizes injured workers to, when possible, utilize the most cost-effective care setting between ambulatory surgical centers and outpatient hospitals.

The intent of this study is to:

(1) Determine the effectiveness of current billing and reimbursement methods;

(2) Examine the potential benefits of adding such methods to existing fee schedules for other medical service providers under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act; and

(3) Examine potential changes that would properly incentivize cost-effective care treatments.

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

1. That the Business and Labor 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.