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(Neb.)- Nebraska Lawmakers Seek Common Ground On Medicaid



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LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) - Nebraska lawmakers who support expanding Medicaid to more low-income adults are uncertain if the Legislature will get another chance to debate the issue.

The bill's sponsor, Sen. Kathy Campbell of Lincoln, says she plans to talk one-on-one with senators who are on the fence next week. She says she wants to see if there's a way to find common ground.

Advocates thought the bill would get the minimum votes needed to sail to the governor's desk, but instead, a group of conservative lawmakers stalled the issue Wednesday when they refused to vote to end debate.

Speaker Greg Adams of York says this setback could push the measure off until next year if the bill sponsors don't gather 33 votes needed to end debate.