## Legislature - First Session - 2015 Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB221

Chairperson: Senator Les Seiler

**Committee: Judiciary** 

**Date of Hearing:** 

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

LB 221 allows landlords to request from tenants the name and contact information of an "authorized person" who can retrieve and store the tenants' property upon their death.

LB 221 directs the landlord to contact the authorized person within ten days upon the death of the tenant. The authorized person then has twenty days to remove the property. If the property is not removed within the time frame, the landlord may dispose of the property as prescribed in the Disposition of Personal Property Landlord and Tenant Act.

Current Nebraska law directs the landlord to lock down the residence until the court authorizes someone, through official court documents, to come and claim the property. The court then appoints a specific person as the "personal representative."

Principal Introducer:
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**Senator Burke Harr**