## One Hundred Eighth Legislature - Second Session - 2024

## **Introducer's Statement of Intent**

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Chairperson:	Senator	Bruce	Bostelman

**Committee: Natural Resources** 

Date of Hearing: February 21, 2024

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

LB1335 amends the Nebraska Nongame and Endangered Species Conservation Act (NESCA), by providing an exemption for existing transportation infrastructure including highway right-of-way, which are the narrow strips of publicly owned land alongside the road. LB1335 clarifies that the primary purpose of transportation infrastructure is for the movement of people and goods.

The bill states that highways and their associated right-of-way are man-made structures, which are not meant to serve as critical habitat.

Principal Introducer:	
	Senator Mike Moser