

One Hundred Fifth Legislature - First Session - 2017

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB500

Chairperson: Senator Laura Ebke

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: March 01, 2017

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

As it stands today, highly trained and qualified law enforcement officers have to buy a permit, take a test and go through concealed carry classes in order to get a permit to privately carry a concealed weapon. Qualified active or retired law enforcement officers should be able to privately carry a concealed handgun on that basis alone and be exempt from the requirement we impose on ordinary citizens. This bill keeps Nebraska's current concealed carry permit system, thus retaining the option of issuing permits that would allow state residents to carry while traveling to other parts of the country that honor Nebraska's current concealed carry permit. This bill does not change the law concerning people currently prohibited from carrying a handgun.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Tom Brewer