

One Hundred Eighth Legislature - Second Session - 2024

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB883

Chairperson: Senator Justin Wayne

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: February 22, 2024

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

This bill would eliminate an underfunded local mandate on sheriffs and municipal police, and would ensure that more background checks relating to handgun and other firearm purchases are conducted contemporaneously with the purchase. This would align Nebraska with almost every other state in the United States in relying on the National Instant Criminal Background Check System ("NICS") for retail purchases. The bill would retain authority for State Patrol and DHHS to share mental health information relating to firearms disabilities. This authority is necessary for the continued operation of the Concealed Handgun Permit program and ensures timely updating of federal databases to promote the integrity and accuracy of the background check system.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Tom Brewer