

One Hundred Second Legislature - Second Session - 2012

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB785

Chairperson: Senator Brad Ashford

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: February 22, 2012

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

Legislative Bill 785 would provide clear guidelines for the transportation and storage of firearms in vehicles in publicly accessible parking lots throughout the State of Nebraska.

Currently, many firearm owners are being subject to capricious rules and actions by employers regarding the transportation and storage of firearms by employees and customers in private vehicles in parking lots open to the public. LB785 seeks to bring a balance between private property rights and the right to bear arms for self-defence for law abiding citizens.

LB785 would put us in line with 16 other states that have some form of parking lot law for firearms, along with bringing the state policy for the transportation and storage of all firearms more in line with the Nebraska Concealed Handgun Permit Act, in section 69-2441 subsections (3) and (4).

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Mark Christensen