

One Hundred Fourth Legislature - First Session - 2015

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB644

Chairperson: Senator Jim Smith

Committee: Transportation and Telecommunications

Date of Hearing: February 24, 2015

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

The intent of LB 644 is to create the Nebraska Transit and Rail Advisory Council (NTRAC), which would work in conjunction with the Nebraska Department of Roads to study passenger rail and other public transportation systems able to meet the growing transportation needs of commuters in the state.

LB 644 also would require the council to submit a report to the Legislature that includes suggested legislation necessary to to implement the feasibility of these systems in major existing Nebraska travel corridors. The council would sunset in 2018.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Jeremy Nordquist