## **One Hundred Fourth Legislature - Second Session - 2016**

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

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**Chairperson: Senator John Murante** 

Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Date of Hearing: January 20, 2016

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

Legislative Bill 682 amends Nebraska Revised Statutes 32-941, 32-947 and 32-949.01 by changing the deadline by which a voter can request an early voting ballot or replacement early voting ballot. The amendment moves the deadline from 4 p.m. on the Wednesday prior to the election to the second Friday prior to an election.

LB 682 also amends 32-953 to allow election officials the ability to mail ballots in a special election starting twenty two days prior to an election instead of the current twenty days.

A recent change in Post Office delivery standards is the catalyst for the proposed amendments.

Principal Introducer:	
	Senator Joni Craighead