

**One Hundred Fifth Legislature - First Session - 2017**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LB435**

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**Chairperson: Senator Laura Ebke**

**Committee: Judiciary**

**Date of Hearing: March 15, 2017**

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

LB 435 would increase certain penalties for escape. If an individual escapes while under arrest for a felony charge; detained on a felony charge; or while under detention following a conviction the penalty will be a Class IIA felony (increased from a Class III felony).

Any public servant who purposely facilitates or allows an escape will be charged with a Class Class IIA felony (increased from a Class III felony).

If the detained individual uses violence (force, threat, deadly weapon, or other dangerous instrument) to facilitate their escape, then the penalty will be a Class II felony (increased from a Class IIA felony).

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_

Senator Laura Ebke