

**One Hundred Seventh Legislature - First Session - 2021**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LB315**

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**Chairperson: Senator Steve Lathrop**

**Committee: Judiciary**

**Date of Hearing: February 24, 2021**

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

LB315 harmonizes the sentence for domestic assault with the sentence for assault. Currently, Nebraska statutes contain greater penalties for assault than for the assault of a domestic partner; LB315 would correct that inequity. The bill also matches previous conviction language for domestic assault and strangulation with previous conviction language found in other criminal statutes.

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

**Senator John Cavanaugh**