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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB1017

Chairperson: Senator Merv Riepe

Committee: Business and Labor

Date of Hearing: February 12, 2024

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

LB 1017 would clarify existing law regarding the ability of an employee to receive benefits for loss or loss of use of more than one hand, arm, foot, or leg, or any combination thereof, based upon the employee's loss of earning capacity, if the loss or loss of use, results in at least a 30% loss of earning capacity. Under the bill, loss or loss of use of multiple parts of the same arm, including the hand and fingers, or loss or loss of use of multiple parts of the same leg, including the foot and toes, resulting from the same accident or illness would not entitle the employee to receive compensation based upon the employee's loss of earning capacity and loss of use means permanent loss of function.

Principal Introducer:

Senator Carolyn Bosn