



Hundredth Legislature - First Session - 2007  
**Introducer's Statement of Intent**  
**LB 222**

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**Chairperson:** Abbie Cornett  
**Committee:** Business and Labor  
**Date of Hearing:** February 12, 2007

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

Current law allows the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Court to award compensation based on loss of earning capacity or as a scheduled injury. Permanent scarring or disfigurement, while often severe, may not fall within that framework. LB 222 would give the court the discretion to award a loss of earning capacity in an appropriate case involving permanent scarring or disfigurement. The award would be limited to no more than 300 weeks.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Senator Amanda McGill**