

## Hundredth Legislature - First Session - 2007 Introducer's Statement of Intent LB 385

Chairperson:	Joel Johnson
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Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: February 1, 2007

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

LB 385 is "bridge" legislation that takes the provisions of LB 256 (2005 Laws) for regulation of advanced practice registered nurses taking effect July 1, 2007, and coordinates them with the provisions of the Uniform Credentialing Act (LB 463 – 2007).

LB 385 changes licensure provisions for advanced practice registered nurses: certified nurse midwives, certified registered nurse anesthetists, clinical nurse specialists, and nurse practitioners. An Advance Practice Registered Nurse (APRN) will be issued an APRN license by the State of Nebraska. The APRN license issued by the State recognizes the clinical specialty certificates given by a national certifying body to delineate the clinical practice specialty area of APRN.

LB 385 contains the emergency clause and should take effect when passed and approved according to law in order to allow appropriate implementation of LB 256 (2005 Laws) on July 1, 2007.

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