



Hundredth Legislature - Second Session - 2008  
**Introducer's Statement of Intent**  
**LB 806**

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**Chairperson:** Joel Johnson  
**Committee:** Health and Human Services  
**Date of Hearing:** January 25, 2008

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

LB 806 is intended to clean up existing language in Nebraska Revised Statutes to comport with Americans with Disabilities Act regulation regarding the definition of service animals. The ADA defines a service animal as any guide dog, signal dog or other animal individually trained to provide assistance to an individual with a disability. If they meet this definition, animals are considered service animals under the ADA regardless of whether they have been licensed or certified by a state or local government.

Additionally, under Neb. Rev. Stat. 54-603 service animals are exempt from licensing fees if they have graduated from a recognized training school. This bill proposes to exempt all service animals regardless if they have graduated from a recognized training school.

**Principal Introducer:**

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**Senator Norman Wallman**