

Chairperson:	Tom Carlson
Committee:	Agriculture
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The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 71 requires any animal care professional or any employee while acting in his or her professional capacity or within the scope of his her employment, who observes or is involved in an incident which leads the animal care professional or employee to reasonably suspect that an animal has been abandoned, cruelly neglected, or cruelly mistreated shall report such to the entity or entities that investigate such reports in that jurisdiction.

LB 71 also adds the definition of animal care professional as a veterinarian or veterinary technician.

Principal Introducer:

Senator Abbie Cornett