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**Introducer's Statement of Intent**  
**LB 871**

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**Chairperson:** Chris Langemeier  
**Committee:** Natural Resources  
**Date of Hearing:** January 21, 2010

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

LB 871 amends Section 37-413 to require individuals, ages 19 through 29, who are accompanying novice hunters who are using an Apprentice Hunter Education Exemption Certificate and or children under the age of 12, to have successfully completed either a state approved firearm hunter education course if hunting with a firearm or crossbow or a bow hunter education course if hunting with a bow and arrow.

The Nebraska Game and Parks commission discovered a possible loophole in existing statute where two individuals could obtain an Apprentice Hunter Education Exemption Certificate and technically be able to accompany each other on a hunt without completing hunter education. This bill rectifies that loophole.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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