

**One Hundred Second Legislature - First Session - 2011**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LB550**

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**Chairperson: Senator Bill Avery**

**Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs**

**Date of Hearing: March 04, 2011**

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

LB 550 is intended to clarify the deadline for an incumbent to file for an elective office in the State of Nebraska. Nebraska law has defined incumbent to mean that a person is an incumbent even though they have not held the elective office that they are seeking. If the person has been elected to ANY office they are an incumbent under Nebraska law. LB 550 clarifies the election laws in the place that incumbents are most likely to look; in Section 32-606 R.S.Supp 2010 that set forth the filing deadlines.

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

**Senator John Wightman**