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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB787

Chairperson: Senator Brad Ashford

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: January 26, 2012

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

Staff secure detention facilities are institutions used for placement of low-risk juvenile law violators and status offenders. Although the Nebraska Juvenile Code specifically refers to staff secure detention facilities as an authorized type of non-secure detention, there are no statutory provisions defining these facilities or how they should be regulated. Given the function of the staff secure detention, general oversight should be placed with the Jail Standards Division of the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement. LB 787 accomplishes this purpose.

Principal Introducer:

Senator Amanda McGill