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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB158

Chairperson: Senator Annette Dubas

Committee: Transportation and Telecommunications

Date of Hearing: February 19, 2013

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

LB 158 extends the minimum period of vehicle ignition interlock for a repeat DUI offender to a full year. Neb. Rev. Stat. §60-6,197.03(3) and §60-6,197.01(1)(b) currently provide for a minimum sentence consisting of a 45-day no driving period followed by restriction to ignition interlock for the balance of a one-year period. Effective October 1, 2012, a new federal law changed the repeat DUI offender mandate in 23 U.S.C. §164 to specify a full year of ignition interlock. LB 158 will return Nebraska to compliance with the federal mandate, thereby removing an annual penalty on the Nebraska Department of Roads' federal highway funds for federal FY 2014 and beyond.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Les Seiler