

# **One Hundred Fourth Legislature - First Session - 2015**

## **Introducer's Statement of Intent**

### **LB120**

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**Chairperson: Senator Les Seiler**

**Committee: Judiciary**

**Date of Hearing: January 28, 2015**

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

Nebraska's compulsory auto insurance law requires all registered vehicles to be insured for liability and drivers of vehicles are required to show proof of liability coverage for a vehicle that has been pulled over by law enforcement. The law allows a driver issued a citation 10 days to produce documentation that the vehicle was insured at the time of the stop. If the vehicle was not insured at the time of the stop, the owner of the vehicle must insure it to retain the vehicle's registration.

LB120 would authorize law enforcement to seize license plates from a vehicle if at the time the vehicle is pulled over and the driver is unable to produce proof of insurance. The citation issued would serve as a temporary plate for 10 days. If the vehicle was not insured at the time of the stop, in addition to other penalties and fees, the owner of the vehicle would pay \$50 to get the vehicle plates back. The result is that the vehicle remains conspicuous and more likely to be reticketed if it remains uninsured.

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

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