

One Hundred Fourth Legislature - First Session - 2015

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB276

Chairperson: Senator Burke Harr

Committee: Business and Labor

Date of Hearing: February 23, 2015

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

The purpose of Legislative Bill 276 is to establish a process for an individual to apply to the Department of Labor in order to be a certified independent contractor. If an individual becomes a certified independent contractor they would be exempt from all requirements to be covered under a policy of workers' compensation insurance pursuant to the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act and would be precluded from obtaining any benefits under the act. The costs of the program would be covered by the fees charged to the individuals. LB 276 also establishes that an individual would be guilty of a Class II misdemeanor if they provide false information during the application process.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Burke Harr