

One Hundred Fourth Legislature - First Session - 2015

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB317

Chairman: Senator Jim Smith

Committee: Transportation and Telecommunications

Date of Hearing: February 24, 2015

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

Legislative Bill 317 withdraws Nebraska from the Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Compact.

Nebraska has been in this compact for fourteen years and has spent \$197,650 in member dues. Even the most optimistic plans for passenger rail expansion and high-speed rail projects do not include Nebraska. The benefits of membership for Nebraska do not outweigh the expenditure of tax dollars on dues.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Bill Kintner