

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

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LB503**

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**Chairman: Senator John Murante**

**Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs**

**Date of Hearing: February 6, 2015**

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

LB 503 authorizes the Auditor of Public Accounts to issue subpoenas and depose witnesses. In the case of disobedience to comply with such subpoena or a refusal to testify, LB 503 directs the district court of Lancaster County or the judge thereof, on application by the Auditor of Public Accounts, to compel obedience through contempt proceedings. Finally, if a refusal to testify is based on the privilege against self-incrimination, LB 503 authorizes the Auditor of Public Accounts to request a court order to require such testimony.

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

**Senator Bob Krist, District 10**