

One Hundred Fifth Legislature - First Session - 2017

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB299

Chairperson: Senator John Murante

Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Date of Hearing:

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

- Increase employment by reducing barriers-to-entry into occupations;
- Increase the availability of providers that will increase competition, stimulate innovation, improve quality and lower prices, particularly in low-income communities;
- Protect consumers more effectively by borrowing from First Amendment law and establishing a state policy of using the least restrictive regulation needed to protect against harms;
- Establish Sunrise and Sunset processes to ensure that legislation for new regulation and existing regulations are scrutinized to ensure they protect consumers, and not solely give advantages to licensees; and
- Give Nebraskans with a criminal record a second chance by accelerating the process by which an offender can determine if past convictions will disqualify him from an occupational license.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Laura Ebke