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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB568

Chairperson: Senator Mike Groene

Committee: Education

Date of Hearing: March 14, 2017

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

LB 568 creates a new temporary teaching certificate for substitute teachers called the Temporary Substitute Teacher's Certificate. This teaching certificate satisfies the need to recruit more substitute teachers for both private and public schools.

In order to obtain a Temporary Substitute Teacher's Certificate, an applicant must meet the following requirements: 1) The applicant must be at least 21 years of age; 2) the applicant must possess a valid high school diploma; 3) the applicant must complete 24 hours of in-service training; 4) the applicant must complete ten hours of classroom observation at each educational level, elementary, middle school, and high school, for a total of 30 hours of observation; 5) the applicant must successfully complete a course and pass an exam on the United States Constitution; 6) the applicant must successfully complete a course and pass an exam on the Nebraska Constitution; 7) the applicant submit to fingerprinting for a criminal background check; and 8) the applicant must complete an application for the Temporary Substitute Teacher's Certificate and pay the required fee.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Steve Erdman