

# **Legislature - First Session - 2019**

## **Introducer's Statement of Intent**

### **LB223**

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**Chairperson: Senator Tom Brewer**

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

**Date of Hearing: January 30, 2019**

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

State Sponsored Life Insurance (SSLI) is a program that provides group term life insurance exclusively for National Guard members and their dependents. The program is derived from the Veterans' Insurance Act of 1974, Public Law 93-289, to encourage persons to join and remain in the National Guard. Nebraska's program is comprised of a combination of six voluntary group life policies available to the military members of the Nebraska National Guard and is designed to help meet the needs of its members.

LB 223 provides further guidance within state law on the state-sponsored life insurance program, ensuring National Guard members maintain the opportunity to access information and enroll in the program.

LB 223 directs the Adjutant General to allow the availability of the state-sponsored life insurance program to all National Guard members, provide an opportunity to purchase state-sponsored life insurance program products, and allow education briefings about the state-sponsored life insurance program for members.

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

Senator Joni Albrecht