

**Legislature - First Session - 2019**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LB227**

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**Chairperson: Senator Steve Halloran**

**Committee: Agriculture**

**Date of Hearing: February 12, 2019**

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

In 1982 the Nebraska Right to Farm Act was adopted. It protects farm operations and public grain warehouses from nuisance laws if they existed before a change in the land use or occupancy of land on and about the locality of the operation. The intent of LB 227 is to continue the protections to food, feed, fiber, and fur as long as there has not been a significant change in the type of farm or public grain warehouse and such farm or public grain warehouse has been in operation for more than one year, was not a nuisance at the time it began, and reasonable techniques are employed to keep dust, noise, insects, and odors at a minimum and the farm or public grain warehouse is in compliance with applicable laws and regulations a person could not claim they're a nuisance.

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

Senator Dan Hughes