

One Hundred Sixth Legislature - Second Session - 2020

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB816

Chairperson: Senator Steve Lathrop

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: February 21, 2020

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

LB 816, as introduced, would amend current law applicable to firearms. The bill would add training about suicide prevention to firearms safety courses now required for conceal carry permits and require distribution of suicide prevention literature to persons acquiring firearms.

LB 816 would add semiautomatic rifles and shotguns to the category of firearms for which a purchase certificate is required. The bill would expand from three to five days the length of time to perform background checks of individuals applying for firearms purchase certificates and add a mandatory two-day waiting period to receive the certificate. LB 816 would increase the application fee from five dollars to ten dollars.

LB 816 would require a federally-licensed gun dealer to be present at gun shows to review or conduct all transfers of firearms at such events where fifty or more firearms are offered or exhibited for sale, exchange or transfer.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator John McCollister