

One Hundred Seventh Legislature - First Session - 2021

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB230

Chairperson: Senator Steve Lathrop

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: February 26, 2021

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

LB 230 would prohibit discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity in public accommodations and in housing.

Places of public accommodation include all businesses and public places offering the general public goods, services, food, shelter, recreation and amusement including, but not limited to: hotels, restaurants, movie theatres, stores, and any facility supported by public funds.

Currently, discrimination is prohibited in public accommodations on the basis of race, creed, color, sex, religion, national origin, or ancestry. LB 230 adds "sexual orientation or gender identity" to that list.

The Nebraska Fair Housing Act currently prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, familial status, handicap, or ancestry. LB 230 adds "sexual orientation or gender identity" to that list.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Megan Hunt