

**One Hundred Seventh Legislature - First Session - 2021**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LB320**

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**Chairperson: Senator Steve Lathrop**

**Committee: Judiciary**

**Date of Hearing: January 27, 2021**

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

LB320 amends the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act to provide protections for victims of domestic violence. Currently, a landlord may evict a tenant for criminal activity committed by a person other than the tenant, unless the tenant seeks a protection order or reports the activity to law enforcement. LB320 extends this exception to other household members and adds an additional exception for victims of domestic violence who receive certification from a qualified domestic violence service provider. In addition, LB320 allows for a domestic violence victim to obtain a release from a rental agreement under certain conditions.

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

**Senator John Cavanaugh, J.**