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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB293

Chairman: Senator Brad Ashford

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: March 20, 2013

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

LB 293 would amend current law to make clear that any handgun registration applications or certificates filed with a city police chief or a county sheriff or any state agency are confidential and exempt from the Nebraska public records statues.

AM 687 is intended to replace the original version of the bill. The bill would make clear that whenever a gun owner is required to file with any local or state law enforcement agency or issuance of a gun permit or registration, any documents required to be filed would be confidential and would not be considered as public records. Gun application or registration information would be available upon request to all federal, state and local law enforcement agencies. The fact of gun ownership would not be a public record.

The provisions of AM 687 are modeled on Nebraska's existing Concealed Handgun Permit Act which requires any information on concealed carry applicants and permit holders to be confidential and exempt from requirements of Nebraska public records statues.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Bill Kintner