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Introducer's Statement of Intent

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Chairperson: Senator Annette Dubas

Committee: Transportation and Telecommunications

Date of Hearing: January 28, 2014

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

LB 786 establishes an emergency contact registry within the Department of Motor Vehicles. Nebraska residents with a Nebraska driver's license or state identification card can provide up to two emergency contact names and phone numbers through the Department of Motor Vehicles' website free of charge. For registrants under the age of eighteen, at least one emergency contact must be a parent or legal guardian. Registrants have the opportunity to update or revise their emergency contact information at any time.

The database is for the exclusive use of law enforcement following a motor vehicle accident, natural disaster or other emergency situation in which the victim cannot communicate due to serious bodily injury, death or incapacitation. Emergency contact person information is not considered a public record and is not discoverable as a public record except upon a subpoena issued by a grand jury or court order in a criminal matter.

Law enforcement and DMV personnel are not held liable if the data is input incorrectly or outdated.

Principal Introducer:	
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	Senator Sue Crawford