## One Hundred Fourth Legislature - First Session - 2015

## **Introducer's Statement of Intent**

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**Chairperson: Senator Jim Smith** 

**Committee: Transportation and Telecommunications** 

Date of Hearing: February 09, 2015

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

LB597 adopts the Contract Carrier Safety Act, which is intended to set minimum standards for railroad contract carrier regulation and safety. LB597 requires a contract carrier transporting railroad employees to maintain uninsured and under-insured motorist coverage of \$500,000 for each passenger in each vehicle. LB597 also requires a contract carrier to maintain an insurance policy of \$500,000 per person for bodily injury or death, up to a maximum of \$5 million for each vehicle.

The Public Service Commission will enforce the Contract Carrier Safety Act, and any violation of the Act will be subject to a civil penalty of up to \$2,000 for each violation.

	Senator Al Davis
Principal Introducer:	 