

# **One Hundred Fifth Legislature - First Session - 2017**

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

### **LB14**

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**Chairman: Senator Mike Groene**

**Committee: Education**

**Date of Hearing: March 20, 2017**

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

Legislative Bill 14, as amended by AM 625, is part of a Civics Education and Engagement Initiative that updates a Nebraska statute first enacted in 1949 to ensure that Nebraska students in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century are fully literate about our nation's history, government, geography, and economic system. The amendment adds language about the Social Studies Standards, now required under the Quality Education Accountability Acts, are to be used to align social studies curriculum in schools and to ensure that school districts have developed and utilize formative, interim, and summative assessments to determine mastery of the social studies standards, including use, as determined at the school district level, of the United States Citizenship Civics Test, which is a test that all new U.S. citizens must pass.

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

**Senator Bob Krist, District 10**