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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB687

Chairperson: Senator Merv Riepe

Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: January 18, 2018

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

LB687 would allow Nebraska to enter the Interstate APRN Compact. This compact means that any APRN with a multistate license could travel to a member state of the compact and practice their trade there without having to test or get a separate license in that remote state.

The APRN compact has to do with mobility and ease of practice and is not something that will expand the scope of practice in Nebraska. An APRN practicing in a party state must comply with the state practice laws of the state in which the client is located at the time the service is provided.

LB687 would also eliminate the need for those teaching online classes as APRN educators to acquire a license for every state in which a student resides. As long as the students were in compact states, the APRN multistate license would be sufficient.

LB687 would not expand the duties or allowances for the APRN but would make it easier for those who have gone through the rigorous training and licensing in order to become an APRN to get to work quicker if they are required to move, for reasons such as being the spouse of an active duty military member as long as the military family moves to a compact member state.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Carol Blood