## **One Hundred Fifth Legislature - Second Session - 2018**

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

## LB791

**Chairperson: Senator Joni Albrecht** 

**Committee: Business and Labor** 

Date of Hearing: February 12, 2018

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

LB 791 is a bill at the request of the Governor. LB 791 makes changes to the State Employees Collective Bargaining Act regarding the Nebraska State Patrol (NSP) to eliminate certain conflicts of interest and to provide for accountability and transparency in NSP investigations. Specifically, LB 791 removes NSP sergeants from the collective bargaining unit and places them in the supervisors unit. LB 791 also removes disciplinary and investigative procedures of the NSP from the scope of collective bargaining.

LB 791, in conjunction with LB 792, is part of the Governor's initiative to ensure accountability and transparency in the Nebraska State Patrol (NSP). The changes in LB 791 originated as recommendations resulting from the Governor's 2017 investigation into NSP.

Principal Introducer:

Senator Laura Ebke