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Introducer's Statement of Intent

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Chairperson: Senator Laura Ebke

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: February 01, 2018

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

LB842 reestablishes that a minimum term not exceed one-third of the maximum term for sentencing of certain Class felonies, unless a mandatory minimum sentence is required by statute.

This change will have the practical effect of allowing offenders to become parole-eligible sooner, alleviating the overcrowding emergency in Nebraska prisons.

Principal Introducer:	
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Senator Patty Pansing Brooks