# Legislature - First Session - 2019

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

### LB285

#### **Chairperson: Senator Dan Hughes**

**Committee: Natural Resources** 

#### **Date of Hearing:**

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

Strategically placed distributed generation resources, typically solar energy generating facilities and battery storage facilities, can obviate the need for upgrades and enhancements to transmission and sub-transmission systems. In Nebraska public entities tend to own these systems, and thus the cost of upgrades and enhancements falls to ratepayers. Private entities typically construct the solar energy generating facilities and battery storage facilities.

LB 285 would fund a study of these opportunities for public-private partnerships to benefit ratepayers.

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

Senator John McCollister