Legislature - First Session - 2019

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB582

Chairperson: Senator Steve Lathrop

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing:

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

This bill is designed to protect the property rights of of gun owners by ensuring that the possession or resale of stolen firearms can be more readily punished under the law. Current law requires a person to have actual knowledge or belief that a gun is stolen in order to be convicted of a crime relating to receiving a stolen firearm. This bill would make it possible to obtain a conviction if the person who gets the stolen firearm should have known, or had reasonable cause to believe, that the gun was stolen.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Tom Brewer