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Introducer's Statement of Intent

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Chairperson: Senator Tom Brewer

Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

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

LB50 changes the licensure requirements to become a voice stress analyzer examiner under the Licensing and Truth and Deception Examiners Act. These changes are:

- 1. The requirement to have a four year baccalaureate degree is removed and replaced with a provision that the applicant needs to hold a certificate as a law enforcement officer with the present requirement that they have four years investigative experience at the federal, state, political subdivision or was a private licensed investigator or has at least four years' experience of administrating voice stress examinations.
- 2. The internship requirement for voice analyzers examiners is eliminated because besides being unnecessary there is an insufficient number of people qualified in the small law enforcement agencies that use voice analyst to allow the supervision needed. The educational, continuing education and experience requirements are rigorous and sufficient.
- 3. Eliminating these two costly unnecessary requirements will allow smaller government law enforcement agencies to access voice stress analyst as an effective investigative and job applicant tool.
- 4. Voice stress analyst equipment is a different technology than polygraph and requires different skills to operate. The intent of LB 50 is to make the Voice Stress Analyzer Examiners Licensure requirements match the needs required to administer a voice stress examination.

Senator Mike Groene