

One Hundred Eighth Legislature - Second Session - 2024

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB1085

Chairperson: Senator Justin Wayne

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: January 24, 2024

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

LB 1085 restructures Nebraska's Juvenile Court Judicial Districts to align the allocation of judicial resources with the modern approach to determining how such resources should be distributed across the state. Rather than using county population as a determining factor, the bill takes the same approach as taken with the respect to County and District Court judicial districts and allows the allocation of judges to be determined based on the caseload needs in the district. It further aligns with the recommendations made in the state's Judicial Resources Commission's annual reports in 2022 and 2023 that the allocation of resources for the Juvenile Court Judicial Districts should not be responsive to a change in population size alone.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Rick Holdcroft