



Hundredth Legislature - First Session - 2007
Introducer's Statement of Intent
LB 216

Chairperson: Brad Ashford
Committee: Judiciary
Date of Hearing: January 19, 2007

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

Legislative Bill 216 amends section 28-1009.01, which defines the criminal offenses of violence on a service animal and interference with a service animal, to add hearing dogs to the list of protected service animals. This statute currently protects dog guides for the blind and visually impaired, hearing aid dogs for the hearing impaired and service dogs for the physically limited. References to both hearing dogs and hearing aid dogs exist elsewhere in statute and this technical change ensures protection is provided to all service animals serving the deaf and hearing impaired.

Principal Introducer: _____
Senator Brad Ashford