

One Hundred Third Legislature - Second Session - 2014

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB796

Chairperson: Senator Brad Ashford

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: January 24, 2014

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

LB796 allows landlords to request from tenants the name and contact information of an "authorized person" who can retrieve and store the tenants' property upon their death.

LB796 directs the landlord to contact the authorized person within 10 days upon the death of the tenant. The authorized person then has 20 days to remove the property. If the property is not removed within the time frame, the landlord may dispose of the property as prescribed in the Disposition of Personal Property Landlord and Tenant Act.

Current Nebraska law directs the landlord to lock down the residence until the court authorizes someone, through official court documents, to come and claim the property. The court then appoints a specific person as the "personal representative."

Principal Introducer: _____

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