



Ninety-Ninth Legislature - First Session - 2005
Introducer's Statement of Intent
LB 111

Chairperson: Patrick J. Bourne
Committee: Judiciary
Date of Hearing: February 11, 2005

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

LB 111 would allow for the adoption of Jason's Law. The bill would establish the Missing Persons Information Clearinghouse, which shall be used by all law enforcement agencies in the state and shall serve as a central repository for information on missing persons. The clearinghouse shall be established within the Nebraska State Patrol.

In administering the provisions of LB 111, the State Patrol shall: collect, process, maintain and disseminate information about missing persons; develop training for law enforcement agencies with respect to reporting information to the clearinghouse; maintain a statewide, toll-free telephone line 24-hours a day; maintain a website accessible to law enforcement agencies and to the public; maintain a registry of education materials; distribute monthly missing persons bulletins; and compile statistics regarding missing persons.

Under LB 111, all law enforcement agencies in Nebraska shall notify the Missing Persons Information Clearinghouse when a report is received of a missing person. The clearinghouse is to serve as a repository only and does not relieve law enforcement agencies having jurisdiction over a missing persons case of its duties.

Principal Introducer:

Senator Patrick Bourne