



Ninety-Ninth Legislature - First Session - 2005  
**Introducer's Statement of Intent**  
**LB 592**

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**Chairperson:** Patrick J. Bourne  
**Committee:** Judiciary  
**Date of Hearing:** February 23, 2005

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

LB 592 would adopt the Liquor Liability Act. A retailer who serves alcoholic liquor to any minor or to an adult who is noticeably intoxicated is liable for resulting injury, death, or damage if the retailer was negligent pursuant to section 6 of this act or reckless to section 7 of this act. It should be noted that neither the intoxicated person nor his or her estate has a cause of action under this bill.

LB 592 would also hold a social host liable for injury, death, or damage resulting in whole or in part from his or her provision of alcoholic liquor to a minor.

Every licensee must furnish proof of financial responsibility to the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission as provided in sections 14 and 15.

Dram Shop liability now in place in over 40 other states, brings and awareness to those people in the business of selling alcohol of their responsibility to not serve or sell to intoxicated individuals or minors.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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