

**One Hundred Fifth Legislature - First Session - 2017**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LB80**

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**Chairperson: Senator John Murante**

**Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs**

**Date of Hearing: January 18, 2017**

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

Under the Civil Service Rules and Regulations law clerks are currently considered classified employees. The designation is problematic for county offices because it hinders those offices in recruiting and retaining law clerks. The purpose of LB 80 is to amend section 23-2519 Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska in order to remove law clerks from the classified designation, making them "unclassified" employees. This gives the counties more flexibility in transitioning the clerks into full-time attorneys.

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

Senator Carol Blood