



Hundredth Legislature - Second Session - 2008
Introducer's Statement of Intent
LB 1064

Chairperson: Deb Fischer
Committee: Transportation and Telecommunications
Date of Hearing: February 25, 2008

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

LB 1064 would authorize the Nebraska Department of Motor Vehicles to create a Legion of Merit specialty license plate.

The Legion of Merit is a military decoration created by Act of Congress on July 20, 1942. It is awarded to a member of the Armed Forces of the United States or of a friendly foreign nation who distinguishes himself or herself by exceptionally meritorious conduct in performing outstanding service.

Technically, the Legion of Merit is the seventh highest military award; however the Congressional Medal of Honor, Distinguished Service Cross/Navy Cross/Air Force Cross, and Silver Star may only be awarded for service in combat. Therefore, the Legion of Merit could be regarded as the second highest peacetime award after the Distinguished Service Medal.

Principal Introducer: _____
Senator Gail F. Kopplin