

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

## **Introducer's Statement of Intent**

### **LB585**

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**Chairperson: Senator Laura Ebke**

**Committee: Judiciary**

**Date of Hearing: March 17, 2017**

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

LB 585 would harmonize animal ownership restrictions in 28-1009 with those changes in 2015 to 54-618 and 54-619.

The bill would also extend the time from seven to thirty days in which a county attorney must file application with the court for a hearing to determine disposition of an animal lawfully seized in violation of animal cruelty laws.

The definition of a dangerous dog removes “according to records of an animal authority” so that action can be taken on a dog’s first bite. The bill also adds “serious bodily injury” that requires medical treatment to either a person or animal in the definition of dangerous dog.

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

Senator Lou Ann Linehan