

One Hundred Fifth Legislature - First Session - 2017

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB589

Chairperson: Senator Laura Ebke

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: March 02, 2017

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

LB 589 requires agreement of the parties or approval of the court in order to depose a child victim or child witness in both adult and juvenile courts when a video-recorded forensic interview of the child has been conducted at a Child Advocacy Center. If a deposition is granted, LB 589 creates a process for the court to consider specific protections for the child that may need to be included in a protective order during the deposition of the child witness or child victim to protect the child from emotional harm or harassment, undue influence or intimidation.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Sue Crawford