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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB856

Chairperson: Senator Curt Friesen

Committee: Transportation and Telecommunications

Date of Hearing: February 20, 2018

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

LB 856 creates the Internet Neutrality Act. The Act requires Internet service providers (ISPs) to be transparent in regards to their business practices; ensures that no ISP interferes with a Nebraskan's ability to view and interact with lawful content; guards against attempts to impair and degrade lawful internet traffic; and, provides that no ISP can engage in paid prioritization, thus limiting access to certain internet services and content.

The Internet Neutrality Act will not supersede any obligation or authorization of a provider to address the needs of emergency communications or law enforcement, public safety, or national security consistent with applicable law.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Adam Morfeld