

Legislature - First Session - 2019

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB389

Chairperson: Senator Steve Lathrop

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: February 08, 2019

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

LB 389 seeks to codify case law and update Nebraska statutes regarding termination of parental rights.

LB 389 addresses the following:

- Adds a burden of proof standard when a court is considering a termination of parental rights;
- Adds and clarifies grounds that are to be considered when seeking to terminate parents rights;
- Changes and clarifies exceptions where reasonable efforts to preserve and reunify the family are not required;
- Clarifies and adds a cross reference to be used when calculating a child's out of home placement duration.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Sara Howard