

One Hundred Ninth Legislature - Second Session - 2026

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB957

Chairperson: Senator Carolyn Bosn

Committee: Judiciary

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

LB957 recognizes a cause of action against a parent or guardian who knowingly allows a child under the age of fourteen to possess a handgun, with strict liability for damages resulting from the child's use of the handgun. LB957 also creates an offense requiring the safe and secure storage of handguns that a child under the age of fourteen could reasonably access, if the child exhibits the firearm in public or uses the firearm to cause bodily injury or death to a person. The offense does not apply if the minor obtains the firearm as a result of unlawful entry by any person, or the minor's possession or use of the weapon is justified under sections 28-1406 to 28-1416.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator John Cavanaugh