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Introducer's Statement of Intent

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Chairperson: Senator Lou Ann Linehan

Committee: Revenue

Date of Hearing: February 16, 2022

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

The purpose of this bill is to assist law enforcement agencies across Nebraska in attempting to recruit and retain law enforcement officers. Law enforcement agencies across Nebraska have seen a noticeable drop in applicants to become law enforcement officers.

The bill provides a tax credit for law enforcement officers based on years of service:

- --less than 5 years the officer would receive a \$250 tax credit
- --5-10 years the officer would receive a \$500 tax credit
- --10-15 years the officer would receive a \$750 tax credit
- --15-20 years the officer would receive a \$1000 tax credit
- --20-25 years the officer would receive a \$1500 tax credit
- --Over 30 years the officer would receive a \$2500 tax credit

The bill also provides a tuition waiver for law enforcement officers. The officer would receive a 100% tuition waiver when attending a community college, state university, or state college.

Principal Introducer:	
-	Senator Steve Halloran