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Bill to beat bogus liens signed by Governor Heineman

LINCOLN – Saying that it will offer a layer of protection, Secretary of State John Gale applauded passage of a bill by the Nebraska legislature that aims to stem the filing of bogus liens. That bill has been signed by Governor Heineman.

“These types of liens have been a growing problem over the past several years. They serve no purpose, other than to harass the victims,” said Gale. “Now under LB210, my office will be able to file what is known as a termination statement against these bogus financial statements.”

Gale said filing of bogus liens can have severe and long term impact when it comes to the victim being able to secure credit or apply for loans. Currently in Nebraska, as in other states, those financial statements can only be rejected under specific circumstances.

“This allows us to take action in such a way it may save victims to the time and cost associated with having to go to court to get the situation resolved.”

Gale said he was appreciative of the work put in by the Nebraska Bar Association, the Nebraska Bankers Association and the Nebraska Uniform Law Commissioners to draft the bill that was presented.

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