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Bruning: Nebraskans Safer under LB 811

LB 811 is Bruning's 37th Legislative Package Bill Signed into Law

LINCOLN – Attorney General Jon Bruning released the following statement today after Governor Dave Heineman signed LB 811, the bill that expands the current statewide ban on K2. LB 811, sponsored by Senator Ken Schilz of Ogallala, was part of Bruning's 2014 legislative package.

“LB 811 protects Nebraska kids from the deadly drug K2,” said Bruning. “I applaud the Nebraska Legislature and Governor Heineman for approving this measure to make Nebraska a safer place to live and raise a family.”

Since 2003, Bruning's office has worked to address some of the most critical public safety issues affecting communities across the state. In all, 37 of Bruning's legislative package bills have been signed into law.

Attorney General Bruning's Legislative Package Impact

Measures included in Bruning's previous packages have created landmark child protection laws. In 2006, LB 1199 created mandatory minimum sentences for sexual assault of a child under 12 years of age. In addition, package bills have criminalized online enticement and removed the statute of limitations on incest.

Bruning's office has helped to draft and pass measures to protect Nebraskans from domestic violence. In 2004, legislative package bills created a distinct offense for domestic assault and a felony offense for strangulation.

Bruning's legislative package bills have also focused on protecting communities from the threat of drugs and gang violence. Introduced as part of the 2005 legislative package, LB 117 put methamphetamine pre-cursor drug pseudoephedrine behind retail counters resulting in an 86 percent drop in clandestine meth labs across the state. Bruning's 2007 gang bill, LB 63, increased penalties for gang-member recruitment, drive-by shootings and assaulting an officer.