

Hundredth Legislature - Second Session - 2008 Introducer's Statement of Intent LB 1109

Chairperson:	Lavon Heidemann
Committee:	Appropriations
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The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 1109 eliminates the current earmarks of cigarette tax revenues, other than those which have been bonded against, and deposits them into the state's General Fund. This would not prevent current recipients of cigarette tax funds from receiving state funding it merely requires they participate in the biennial appropriations process.

The above exception provided for recipients that have bonded against the cigarette tax revenues continues until the termination dates listed in section 77-2602(3)(f) and (g). After that time, no additional cigarette tax revenues shall be distributed outside of the appropriations process.

**Principal Introducer:** 

**Senator Philip Erdman**