



Hundredth Legislature - First Session - 2007  
**Introducer's Statement of Intent**  
**LB 149**

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**Chairperson:** Rich Pahls  
**Committee:** Banking, Commerce and Insurance  
**Date of Hearing:** January 30, 2007

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

LB 149 would clarify which entities can legally use the word “bank,” or any derivative thereof, as part of a title or description of business activities. Current law allows only state or federally chartered banks, building and loans, saving and loans and savings banks to use the word. Banking trade associations and sec. 501 (c) (3) are exempt. Under the bill, subsidiaries and affiliates of institutions authorized to use “bank”, as well has organizations substantially owned by banks, could use the also use the word. LB 149 would grandfather any entity that has used the word “bank” in its name prior to December 1, 1975.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Senator Tim Gay**