



Hundredth Legislature - First Session - 2007  
**Introducer's Statement of Intent**  
**LB 197**

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**Chairperson:** Brad Ashford  
**Committee:** Judiciary  
**Date of Hearing:** February 7, 2007

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

A lawsuit against a political subdivision must be preceded by the filing of notice (Sec. 13-920) within one year after the claim has accrued. Failure to file this notice within the year forever bars a lawsuit on this issue. In addition, there is a two-year statute of limitations on lawsuits against political subdivisions. After providing notice, if an action is not filed within two years after the claim has accrued, it is forever barred.

Some political subdivisions operate proprietary businesses, but not under the name of the political subdivision, and they do not file the fictitious name under Sec. 87-210 of the Trades Names Act.

LB 197 would suspend the time limitations which protect the political subdivisions unless and until the fictitious trade name was registered with the Secretary of State.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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