



Hundredth Legislature - Second Session - 2008
Introducer's Statement of Intent
LB 984

Chairperson: Mike Friend
Committee: Urban Affairs
Date of Hearing: January 29, 2008

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

LB 984 amends section 16-117 to change the procedure for annexation by cities of the first class. The bill removes the steps in the annexation process that cities of the first class have to follow but other classes of municipality do not have to follow.

LB 984 makes the annexation process for cities of the first class the same as for cities of the second class and villages and similar to the process for cities of the metropolitan and primary class.

LB 984 does not change the requirement that a city of the first class adopt an annexation proposal by ordinance at a public meeting after notice. The planning commission must review the annexation proposal and make a recommendation to the city council before the council can take action on the proposal (Section 19-929). The requirement that the ordinance be read at three meetings on three different days prior to adoption cannot be waived for annexation ordinances (Section 16-404).

LB 984 equalizes the process for annexation for all classes of municipalities.

Principal Introducer:

Senator Abbie Cornett