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Introducer's Statement of Intent
LB 310

Chairperson: Tim Gay
Committee: Health and Human Services
Date of Hearing: January 30, 2009

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

LB 310 requires that sign language interpreters in places of public accommodation be licensed sign language interpreters. This effectively requires that the sign language interpreters who are already required to facilitate communication with the deaf be licensed in all places of public accommodation.

LB 310 also requires that Video Remote Interpreting Companies use licensed sign language interpreters when providing their service.

LB 310 also establishes penalties in the method of fines to be levied by the Commission on the Deaf for violations of the licensing requirement.

Principal Introducer: _____
Senator Ken Haar