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Introducer's Statement of Intent
LB 532

Chairperson: Bill Avery
Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
Date of Hearing: February 20, 2009

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

LB 532 proposes to give counties the authority to enact ordinances in order to maintain the peace, good government and welfare of the county; to preserve order and protect public and private property; and promote the public health, safety and general welfare of the inhabitants of the county.

Such ordinances will not be effective within the boundaries of incorporated municipalities. The county may impose penalties for the violation of county ordinance. The bill requires due notice of proposed ordinances to the public and that at least one public hearing shall be held on the proposed ordinance.

Currently, counties have the authority to pass non-binding resolutions that are not enforceable. County officials, particularly those representing significant populations that do not reside within a municipality, believe that the ability to enact and enforce ordinances is necessary to adequately protect and preserve order for residents.

Principal Introducer: _____
Senator Scott Price

