

## One Hundred First Legislature - First Session - 2009 Introducer's Statement of Intent LB 611

Chairperson:	Tim Gay

Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: February 6, 2009

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

LB 611 would amend the Nebraska Clean Indoor Air Act to include an opt-out provision for local political subdivisions. It would provide that if a political subdivision opted out of the Act, it could make its ordinance or resolution more stringent or less stringent than the state wide act. If a political subdivision decided on being less stringent, they would only be able to return to the Clean Indoor Air Act as it existed on January, 1, 2009.

LB 611 would allow for local opt-out by initiative process, the local subdivision may place it on the ballot for a vote of the people, or the local subdivision may vote on it by themselves.

Principal Introducer:	
-	Senator Russ Karpisek