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Introducer's Statement of Intent
LB 809

Chairperson: Brad Ashford
Committee: Judiciary
Date of Hearing: January 29, 2010

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

LB 809 would lengthen the criminal statute of limitations for violations of the submission of false Medicaid claims. Currently, the more complex fraud schemes do not become known until they are well underway or completed. It takes a significant amount of time and resources to investigate false Medicaid claims and without a longer statute of limitations many criminals avoid prosecution.

In particular, LB 809 would increase the statute of limitations from three years to five years. A similar five-year statute is already available for crimes under the Securities Act because the Legislature has recognized that securities fraud schemes are complex and take time to unravel.

Principal Introducer: _____
Senator Kent Rogert