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Introducer's Statement of Intent
LB 968

Chairperson: Brad Ashford
Committee: Judiciary
Date of Hearing: February 5, 2010

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

LB 968 allows a victim of abuse, law enforcement and prosecutors to take steps toward preventing a threatened act of domestic abuse from actually becoming an act that leads to physical harm of the victim. This bill addresses a Court of Appeals decision, *Cloeter v. Cloeter*, that prevented an applicant for a domestic abuse protection order from applying for such an order without specific allegations of actual physical abuse. LB 968 seeks to restore the Protection from Domestic Abuse Act to its original intent by removing the word “imminent” from the definition of domestic assault in the third degree.

Principal Introducer:

Senator Amanda McGill