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**Introducer's Statement of Intent**  
**LB 980**

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**Chairperson:** Bill Avery  
**Committee:** Government, Military and Veterans Affairs  
**Date of Hearing:** February 4, 2010

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

The Director of the Department of Administrative Services could not approve a privatization contract (which is a contract for personal services by a person other than a state employee to provide human labor valued at \$50,0000 or more annually and it would result in a reduction in force of at least one permanent state employee) unless the following are met:

- The State Agency involved in the contract provides written notice to the collective bargaining agent 35 days prior to the beginning of an open bidding process;
- During the 35 day window, the collective bargaining agent is provided an opportunity to discuss options to the contract;
- The proposed contract is projected to result in overall cost savings to the state of at least ten percent;

The bill also further defines what would go into projecting the cost savings, including the costs of the services currently provided and the costs incurred as a result of the contract.

**Principal Introducer:**

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**Senator Norman Wallman**