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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB1159

Chairperson: Senator Bill Avery

Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Date of Hearing: February 3, 2012

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

LB 1159 creates additional accountability relating to personal services contracts valued at more than \$25 million.

Specifically LB1159: states legislative intent for the state to use performance-based contracting methods when contracting for personal services;

prohibits agencies from entering into services contracts valued at more than \$25 million, which must instead be handled by Contracting Officers within DAS;

for service contracts valued at \$25 million or less, allows agencies to either conduct the contracting process within the agency or have DAS do it. If in-house, the agency has to have someone trained by DAS as a Contracting Officer;

requires DAS to establish training requirements for Contracting Officers and provide such training;

repeals existing sections 73-301 to 73-307, which require agencies to undertake additional steps in the service contract process when a proposed contract is expected to replace state workers.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Bob Krist