

One Hundred Second Legislature - First Session - 2011

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB310

Chairperson: Senator Brad Ashford

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: January 26, 2011

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

LB 310 seeks to restore the Protection from Domestic Abuse Act to its original intent.

LB 310 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 the Court of Appeals decision, Cloeter v. Cloeter.

Specifically, LB 310 modifies the definition of domestic abuse, enhances penalties for violation of a protection order, amends provisions for assessing costs of filing and serving the protection order, and enhances the authority of the court with regard to attorney appointments.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Amanda McGill