

**One Hundred Second Legislature - Second Session - 2012**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LB940**

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**Chairperson: Senator Brad Ashford**

**Committee: Judiciary**

**Date of Hearing: February 23, 2012**

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

LB940 Change provisions relating to guardians ad litem in adoption proceedings

LB940 changes requirements for appointing a guardian ad litem. The guardian will be chosen from a qualified pool of local attorneys and shall be compensated at a reasonable rate as determined by the court. This compensation will be assessed against the parties as determined by the court and if the court determines a party ordered to pay is indigent then the court may order the county to pay the compensation for the guardian ad litem.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Senator Burke Harr**