

# **One Hundred Third Legislature - First Session - 2013**

## **Introducer's Statement of Intent**

### **LB107**

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**Chairperson: Senator Brad Ashford**

**Committee: Judiciary**

**Date of Hearing: February 06, 2013**

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

The intent of LB 107 is to state that in cases involving parenting plans that a final hearing may be waived by the parties with the consent of the presiding judge. LB 899 was passed in 2012 to allow a final hearing to be waived in divorce or legal separation cases that involved parenting plans. However, for all other cases that involve a parenting plan (including paternity) a waiver of the final hearing is not allowed under current law. LB 107 would allow for the waiver of the final hearing in all cases with a parenting plan requirement, including divorce, legal separation, and paternity cases.

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

**Senator Steve Lathrop**