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

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LB839
Chairperson: Senator Mike Groene
Committee: Education
Date of Hearing: January 28, 2020
The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:
Codifies in statute that American Sign Language is a distinct and separate language and allows the State Department of Education to offer American Sign Language as a language course. Additionally, any postsecondary educational institution may offer American Sign Language as a course for credit.
Principal Introducer:  Senator Anna Wishar