## One Hundred Second Legislature - First Session - 2011 Introducer's Statement of Intent LB305

**Chairperson: Senator Tom Carlson** 

**Committee: Agriculture** 

Date of Hearing: February 08, 2011

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

This bill directs the Department of Agriculture to develop and implement a state meat and poultry inspection agency to inspect meat and meat products for human consumption in compliance with federal regulations by January 1, 2013. LB305 authorizes the Department of Agriculture to hire a program administrator. The program will initially be funded by \$200,000 from the Commercial Feed Administration Cash Fund and thereafter by use fees for the inspection services provided. The Cooperative State Meat and Poultry Inspection Cash Fund is created, to which these funds will be credited.

<b>Principal Introducer:</b>	
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