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Introducer's Statement of Intent

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Chairperson: Senator Bill Avery

Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Date of Hearing: February 28, 2013

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

LB 515 expands the definition of "electors" of irrigation districts to acknowledge and provide for enfranchisement of ownership interests used today. Such interests include joint tenants, tenants in common, corporate interests, land-purchase contracts, and life estates. The bill sets out the voting entitlements for each category of ownership.

LB 515 also provides authority and means by which irrigation districts may choose to conduct elections by mail to provide significant cost savings and increase participation in elections.

Principal Introducer:	

Senator Tom Carlson