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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB936

Chairperson: Senator Heath Mello

Committee: Appropriations

Date of Hearing:

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

LB 936 creates the State Ward Permanency Pilot Project to provide developmental disabilities services to state wards who do not otherwise qualify for priority one status.

Implementation of the Pilot Project shall be a collaboration between the Division of Developmental Disabilities, Children and Family Services, any lead agency, the State Department of Education, and developmental disabilities service providers. The collaboration will include providing assessments, training caseworkers and service providers, and promoting stability and permanency among state wards. The Pilot Project shall collect data and report findings related to improved stability and permanency for state wards.

LB 936 transfers \$1,944,000 over two years from CFS to DDD for purposes of funding this pilot and further appropriates \$1,156,000 over two years from general funds. The Pilot Project shall terminate June 30, 2016.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Kate Bolz