

One Hundred Fourth Legislature - First Session - 2015

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB19

Chairperson: Senator Kathy Campbell

Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: January 30, 2015

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

LB 19 changes procedures for the Director of Public Health to certify and enter into agreements with private laboratories. The bill eliminates the permissive language to enter into agreements with private labs and would make it mandatory.

After being certified by the director, the laboratories would be able to test water that is intended for human consumption, including the tests required by the director for compliance and monitoring purposes, under the Safe Drinking Water Act. They would also be able to test samples which are not compliance samples under the Act.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Bob Krist, District 10