

Legislature - First Session - 2019

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB176

Chairperson: Senator Steve Lathrop

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: March 15, 2019

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

Legislative Bill 44 replaces the death penalty with a sentence of life imprisonment.

Section 28 leaves undisturbed the discretion of the sentencing court to order payment of restitution.

Section 29 provides intent language: "It is the intent of the Legislature that in any criminal proceeding in which the death penalty has been imposed but not carried out prior to the effective date of this act, such penalty shall be changed to life imprisonment."

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Ernie Chambers