

**Legislature - First Session - 2019**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LB261**

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**Chairperson: Senator Mike Hilgers**

**Committee: Executive Board**

**Date of Hearing: February 14, 2019**

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

LB 261 would require the use of state-issued computer software to create any map that is part of a legislative bill or an amendment to a legislative bill introduced for the purpose of redrawing district boundaries. While state-issued software has been utilized in the past, LB 261 will codify these practices to ensure all redistricting plans are transparent and comply with constitutional requirements for redistricting.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_

Senator Wendy DeBoer