

Legislature - First Session - 2019

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB479

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:

LB 479 would close a loophole currently in statute that allows a law enforcement officer to use consent as a defense for sexual contact with a person who is detained or in custody. LB 479 would codify in statute that anyone being detained by a law enforcement officer is not able to consent to sexual contact.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Anna Wishart