

One Hundred Sixth Legislature - Second Session - 2020

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB797

Chairperson: Senator Justin Wayne

Committee: Urban Affairs

Date of Hearing: January 28, 2020

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

LB797 changes current restrictions on the annexation of territory by cities of the first class, cities of the second class, and villages. Under the bill, a city of the first class, city of the second class, or village which elects its city council or village board of trustees by district could not annex any territory during the period from five months prior to the primary election through the general election if such annexation would bring sufficient new residents into the city or village so as to require the city council districts or village board of trustees districts to be redrawn to maintain substantial population equality between districts.

LB797 also requires that any redistricting required to maintain substantial population equality between the city council districts or village board of trustees districts must be completed at least five months prior to the primary election in which candidates for the city council or village board of trustees are nominated.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Matt Hansen, M.