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Introducer's Statement of Intent

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Chairperson: Senator R. Brad von Gillern

Committee: Revenue

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

LB355 eliminates obsolete references to the US Census and replaces them with current Census data sources in DED programs. The 2000 Decennial Census was the last US Census using the "Long Form" to collect income, employment, and housing data. Beginning with the 2010 decennial census, the only data collected on the Census form was for purposes of population enumeration. At that time, the Census Bureau's American Community Survey (ACS) became the only data source on employment and poverty. A second purpose is to give the Department of Economic Development latitude to substitute sources of data in the distribution of Aid to Economic Development Districts if the Census does not publish the required population data.

Principal Introducer:	
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