

# **One Hundred Second Legislature - First Session - 2011**

## **Introducer's Statement of Intent**

### **LB100**

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**Chairperson: Senator Brad Ashford**

**Committee: Judiciary**

**Date of Hearing: January 21, 2011**

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

LB 100 establishes that temporary mental illness induced by voluntary intoxication cannot be the basis of a not responsible by reason of insanity defense. It also eliminates the use of voluntary intoxication to negate state of mind elements such as premeditation or intent which may be required to prove a criminal offense. Exceptions are created in circumstances where the intoxication is found to be involuntary or when long term addiction has caused mental illness which continues to be present during a sober state of mind.

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

**Senator Colby Coash**