

One Hundred Second Legislature - First Session - 2011

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB202

Chairperson: Senator Brad Ashford

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: January 27, 2011

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

To permit youths sentenced to life without the possibility of parole to petition for a resentencing hearing. This bill provides an opportunity for review and resentencing after 15 years or more of incarceration for some youths sentenced to life without parole in prison.

LB202 creates specific criteria and an intense, three-part review process that would result in the possibility of a lesser sentence for those offenders who have matured and proven themselves to have changed.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Brenda Council