

**One Hundred Third Legislature - First Session - 2013**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LB363**

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**Chairperson: Senator Bill Avery**

**Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs**

**Date of Hearing:**

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

LB 363 contains several provisions dealing with the issue of the costs of public records, including clarifying when a public entity may charge a fee for making copies.

The bill also provides that the actual added cost used to calculate the fee for records will not include any charge for the existing salary of officers or employees with respect to the first 6 hours of searching, identifying, or copying the records. A special service charge reflecting labor cost may be included for time required beyond the 6 hours.

The fee for records will not include any charge by the public entity to review the records seeking a legal basis to withhold the public records.

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

**Senator Bill Avery**