

**One Hundred Fourth Legislature - First Session - 2015**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LB512**

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**Chairperson: Senator Ken Schilz**

**Committee: Natural Resources**

**Date of Hearing: March 11, 2015**

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

LB 512 is intended to do the following:

Make it absolutely clear that the Nebraska Oil and Gas Commission has authority to monitor and regulate the disposal of water produced from the extraction of oil or gas production in other states that is injected into a commercial disposal well in Nebraska.

Make such produced water subject to an assessment of twenty cents per forty-two gallon barrel to be used for the following purposes:

- To offset the costs of monitoring and regulating produced water disposal,
- To offset the additional costs of damage to roads used for the transporting of such produced water, and;
- To provide additional funding for transportation infrastructure necessary for the design and construction of additional roads and bridges to be used for the transporting of such water.

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

**Senator John Stinner**