



Ninety – Sixth Legislature – First Session – 1999
Introducer's Statement of Intent
LB 436

Chairperson: Senator Ed J. Schrock
Committee: Natural Resources
Date of Hearing: January 28, 1999

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

This bill was brought to me by the Natural Resources Commission as its “housekeeping” bill. Specifically, revisions in sections 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10 eliminate long lists of statutory numbers and replace those lists with phrases like “as authorized by law” or “its authorized purposes”.

The bill in section 3 repeals the list of items that the Natural Resources Districts were to provide to the Natural Resources Commission. It would still require the Natural Resources Districts to provide their rules, regulations, and meeting minutes as well as any other documents the Commission deemed necessary in the performance of its duties.

Section 11 clarifies that rulings by the Natural Resources Commission are subject to the Administrative Procedures Act, and rulings by the Natural Resources Districts are not subject to the Administrative Procedures Act because the districts are political subdivisions and not state agencies. Rulings by the Natural Resources Districts could be appealed directly through the court system.

Principal Introducer:

Natural Resources Committee,
Senator Ed J. Schrock, chairperson