



Ninety-Eighth Legislature - First Session - 2003
Introducer's Statement of Intent
LB 664

Chairperson: Kermit A. Brashear
Committee: Judiciary
Date of Hearing: March 19, 2003

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

LB 664 places a cap on the total amount which can be recovered from the state in a lawsuit under the State Tort Claims Act and provides that the liability caps in the State Tort Claims Act and the Political Subdivisions Tort Claims act shall be adjusted for inflation every 4 years. The state liability cap proposed in LB 664 mirrors the cap currently in place for political subdivisions of one million dollars for any one person and five million dollars on all claims arising out of a single occurrence. The purpose of LB 664 is to reduce the cost of purchasing liability insurance for the state and to provide a mechanism to ensure that the level of compensation provided to injured individuals does not erode over time due to inflation.

Principal Introducer: _____
Senator Chris Beutler