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Introducer's Statement of Intent
LB 755

Chairperson: Chris Langemeier
Committee: Natural Resources
Date of Hearing: February 16, 2010

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

LB 755, as introduced, would regulate both natural gas and crude oil pipelines going through the state. It would hold harmless individual landowners directly affected by the pipeline from liability that may result from that pipeline going through their property unless there was intentional damage to the pipeline by individual landowners. Pipeline companies would have insurance policies that list all landowners as insured parties and provides coverage for costs of litigation.

Pipeline companies are required to bury pipes at a depth of five feet. Topsoil reclamation must be maintained according to the standards of the Natural Resources Conservation Service of the United States Department of Agriculture.

Beginning January 1, 2011, there will be a fee distributed to the State of Nebraska, and affected counties, school districts and landowners based on the formula found in the bill.

Principal Introducer:

Senator M.L. Dierks