

One Hundred Fifth Legislature - First Session - 2017

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB313

Chairperson: Senator Jim Smith

Committee: Revenue

Date of Hearing: February 22, 2017

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

LB 313 will generate property tax relief by raising additional sales tax revenue, diverting some of the additional revenue to low income individuals, and placing the balance of the additional revenue into a property tax credit fund for distribution. It would raise the state sales tax rate by 1% from 5.5% to 6.5%. It would then raise the State Earned Income Tax Credit an additional 7% of the Federal Earned Income Tax Credit to address regressivity issues, and place the balance of the revenue raised into an Excess Revenue Property Tax Credit Fund, which would be distributed pro rata to all classes of property taxpayers.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Tom Briese