

**Legislature - First Session - 2019**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LB230**

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**Chairperson: Senator Steve Lathrop**

**Committee: Judiciary**

**Date of Hearing: February 14, 2019**

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

LB230 bans the use of room confinement in juvenile facilities, except when necessary to eliminate a juvenile's substantial and immediate risk of harm to self or others. The bill also stipulates that a juvenile shall be released from room confinement as soon as the substantial and immediate risk of harm to self or others is resolved.

The bill further specifies conditions of the room used for confinement, certain necessities and services that shall be available to any juvenile held in confinement, who must be notified of placement in room confinement and procedures that shall take place following confinement, among other provisions.

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

Senator Patty Pansing Brooks