

One Hundred Seventh Legislature - First Session - 2021

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB419

Chairperson: Senator Steve Lathrop

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: February 04, 2021

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

LB419 provides tenants in eviction proceedings the right to court-appointed legal counsel, and provides for a filing fee to offset the cost to the county. Many tenants faced with eviction cannot afford legal representation to assist them in understanding their rights or asserting a valid defense. This bill will ensure that tenants' rights are preserved, as well as protect the judicial system from granting unlawful evictions.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator John Cavanaugh