

One Hundred Ninth Legislature - Second Session - 2026

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB1204

Chairperson: Senator Tom Brandt

Committee: Natural Resources

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

LB1204 intends to establish uniform standards for the permitting of wind, solar, and energy storage facilities, while increasing the share of nameplate capacity tax revenue distributed to counties where such facilities are located.

LB1204 creates the Nameplate Capacity Tax Facility Standards Act, which establishes standards for setbacks, noise, decommissioning, shadow flicker, lighting, road use, and visual screening. The bill also includes agricultural protections for affected landowners. Permit application procedures and timelines are established for county review of proposed facilities.

LB1204 expands the nameplate capacity tax to include energy storage resources co-located with renewable generation facilities and changes the distribution of tax revenue for facilities permitted after the operative date, increasing the county share from approximately twenty-two percent to ninety-five percent.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Stan Clouse