## One Hundred Third Legislature - Second Session - 2014

## **Introducer's Statement of Intent**

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**Chairperson: Senator Brad Ashford** 

**Committee: Judiciary** 

Date of Hearing: February 27, 2014

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

Legislative Bill 1000, which pertains to the Parenting Act, was introduced to recognize and establish the importance of equal parenting time, custody, decision making and responsibility as it pertains to both parents and children. The bill amends sections 43-2921 and 43-2929 of the Parenting Act, relating to legislative findings and to parenting plans respectively, by placing a favorable emphasis on joint legal custody unless evidence proves otherwise.

Principal Introducer:	
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**Senator Russ Karpisek**