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Introducer's Statement of Intent

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Chairperson: Senator Tom Carlson

Committee: Natural Resources

Date of Hearing: February 20, 2014

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

Legislative Bill 1111 adds a new section to the Nebraska Ground Water Management and Protection Act. The bill would require that Natural Resources Districts (NRDs) that have Integrated Management Plans (IMPs), pursuant to 46-715 and that explicitly state in their plan their board's intent to use qualified projects listed in 2-3226.04, shall amend their IMP by January 1, 2015 to implement procedures to achieve district-wide and basin-wide sustainability by January 1, 2025.

LB1111 seeks to provide a reasonable 10-year plan to reach sustainability within NRDs and river basins that use the occupation tax on the activity of irrigation for stream flow enhancement projects.

Principal Introducer:	
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	Senator Mark Christensen