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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB272

Chairperson: Senator Tom Carlson

Committee: Natural Resources

Date of Hearing: February 20, 2013

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

LB 272 would allow the Environmental Quality Council to set chemigation permit fees at \$500 for emergency permits, and no more than \$250 for new, special and renewal permits. Up to twenty percent of the fees, to be determined by the Environmental Quality Council, may go to the Department of Environmental Quality to offset the cost of administering the Chemigation Act.

The bill would also change the time period that a natural resources district has to review and decide on emergency permits from 48 hours to two working days, which do not include Saturdays, Sundays or federal or state holidays.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Tom Carlson