## One Hundred Third Legislature - First Session - 2013

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

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**Chairperson: Senator Bill Avery** 

Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Date of Hearing: March 07, 2013

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

LB 381 would require voters casting ballots to provide a government-issued photographic identification before voting.

The Department of Motor Vehicles would offer a state identification card at no cost to a voter who wishes to obtain a government-issued photographic identification for purposes of voting under the Election Act if he or she indicates he or she is indigent.

Voters casting ballots in elections held by mail or who vote early would not be required to provide a government-issued photographic identification unless it is their first time voting.

A voter who does not present a government-issued photographic identification at the polls is permitted to cast a provisional ballot.

Principal Introducer:	
	Senator Charlie Janssen