

One Hundred Third Legislature - Second Session - 2014

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB702

Chairperson: Senator Amanda McGill

Committee: Urban Affairs

Date of Hearing: January 28, 2014

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

LB 702 was introduced to clarify and standardize the procedure for a village to change to a city of the second class other than by population change. Under current law, the citizens of a village may vote to retain the village form of government even though it would become a city of the second class by population increase. However, there is no procedure in the statutes if the citizens of such a village later decide to become a city of the second class.

LB 702 establishes a procedure for the citizens to vote on changing the municipal classification from a village to a city of the second class. The bill also standardizes the procedure for voting to change municipal classifications in other situations.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Jerry Johnson