

One Hundred Fourth Legislature - Second Session - 2016

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB1009

Chairperson: Senator Les Seiler

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: January 28, 2016

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

LB 1009 seeks to provide law enforcement with additional tools to address synthetic drugs, such as “K2”. The bill would define a “lookalike substance” as a product that is portrayed in a manner that would lead someone to believe it produces effects that replicate, mimic, or are intended to simulate the effects of a controlled substance; or meets one of eight characteristics enumerated in the bill. The bill would expand the authority of law enforcement to seize a “lookalike substance” in the same manner as controlled substances and drug paraphernalia. A person can be charged with a Class IV felony if they offer for sale, sell, market or advertise a “lookalike substance”.

LB 1009 would also amend the Uniform Deceptive Trade Practices Act to make it a violation of the Act to manufacture, produce, import, distribute, promote, display for sale, attempt to sell, or sell of a “lookalike substance.”

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Matt Williams