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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB675

Chairperson: Senator Laura Ebke

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: January 17, 2018

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

Current law provides that July 1, 2020, if the director of the Department of Correctional Services certifies that if the design capacity of the prisons is over 140%, then a correctional services overcrowding emergency shall exist. When such an emergency exists, the Board of Parole is to immediately consider and review inmates for suitability for release on parole.

Legislative Bill 675 would advance the date of the emergency determination to July 1, 2018. The bill would also require the Department of Correctional Services to certify and provide a list of those inmates who are presently parole eligible but are incarcerated to the Board of Parole.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Bob Krist