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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB870

Chairperson: Senator Laura Ebke

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: January 24, 2018

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

LB870 bans the use of juvenile room confinement, except when necessary to eliminate substantial and immediate risk of harm to self or others. The bill also stipulates that a juvenile shall be released from room confinement as soon as the substantial and immediate risk of harm to self or others is resolved.

LB870 further specifies conditions of the room used for confinement, what necessities should be available to any juvenile held in confinement, who must be notified of placement in room confinement and procedures that shall take place following confinement.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Patty Pansing Brooks