

Legislature - First Session - 2019

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB739

Chairperson: Senator Steve Lathrop

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: February 27, 2019

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

LB739 amends statutory procedures regarding the use of restrictive housing for inmates at the Department of Correctional Services. The bill limits the use of restrictive housing for inmates who are members of a vulnerable population and limits the amount of time an inmate can be placed in restrictive housing, unless such inmates are found to be a threat to others or the institutional environment. Finally, LB739 provides due process for inmates placed in restrictive housing for more than 90 days per calendar year.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Tony Vargas