

Bill No.: SF0050 **Effective:** 3/9/2015

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Enrolled Act No.: SEA 74

Chapter No.: 172

Prime Sponsor: Select Committee on Tribal Relations

Catch Title: Tribal liaisons.

Subject: Tribal liaison program.

Summary/Major Elements:

- Under current law, the Governor may employ a tribal liaison to aid, assist and advise the Governor on state-tribal relations.
- This bill creates the tribal liaison program for the purpose of encouraging mutual respect, understanding and leadership between the State and the Northern Arapaho Tribe and the Eastern Shoshone Tribe.
- This bill requires the Governor to employ, with the confirmation of the Senate, two (2) tribal liaisons.
- This bill specifies the tribal liaisons shall facilitate communication between the tribes and the Governor's Office, executive branch agencies, the Select Committee on Tribal Relations and the Legislature.
- This bill specifies the tribal liaisons shall stand for reappointment one (1) time every two (2) years unless sooner removed by the Governor.
- This bill requires the Governor's Office, in conjunction with the tribal liaisons, to report to the Select Committee on Tribal Relations on the successes, opportunities and future issues of the tribal liaisons program on or before December 1 of each year.
- This bill authorizes the Governor to expend \$200,000 of previously appropriated funds for the purpose of employing the two (2) tribal liaisons and funding the tribal liaison program.

Comments:

- Creates/amends a major program.
- Requires a report.