

Chairperson:	Brad Ashford
Committee:	Judiciary
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The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 152 is needed to harmonize two sections in the state's mandatory self-reporting law. This law requires licensed health care providers, facilities and professional liability insurance companies to report information to the Department of Health and Human Services Regulation and Licensure.

In 2005, LB 306 amended the requirement in Sec. 71-168 that credentialed persons report adverse judgments, settlements or awards to clarify that the term "settlements" encompasses only those payments, on behalf of a credentialed person, that result in the patient releasing a professional liability claim against the credentialed person.

LB 152 makes a similar change in Sec. 71-1,200 to clarify that the meaning of "settlements" in the reporting law for insurance companies is the same as in Sec. 71-168.

Principal Introducer:

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