

Hundredth Legislature - First Session - 2007 Introducer's Statement of Intent LB 397

Chairperson:	Joel Johnson
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Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: February 14, 2007

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

LB 397 is a first attempt to identify the industry that provides "in-home services" and to license their activities. These are services that will enable a senior to remain safely and comfortably in his or her residence for as long as possible. They are also services which do not require the exercise of medical or nursing judgment.

In order to give the consumer a reference point and a level of comfort with in-home services, LB 397 would create a license for in-home service providers. LB 397 is consumer protection legislation as well as quality control for the agencies that provide in-home care.

LB 397 is not intended to apply in any manner to the health maintenance activities performed by designated care aid pursuant to section 71-1,132, 30.

Principal Introducer:	
-	Senator Joel T. Johnson