



Hundredth Legislature - First Session - 2007
Introducer's Statement of Intent
LB 576

Chairperson: Lavon Heidemann
Committee: Appropriations
Date of Hearing: March 19, 2007

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

LB 576 would provide for an annual rate increase to be determined in accordance with the compounded change in the consumer price index during the twelve months preceding each annual rate increase for behavioral health care services for children, youth, or adult populations, under the Medicaid program or other state-funded behavioral health programs.

This bill would also create the Provider Reimbursement Rate Commission. This commission would be responsible for compiling a report detailing the status of behavioral health care reimbursement rates and the cost of care for behavioral health care services provided in the state.

Principal Introducer: _____
Senator Lowen Kruse